**TOWN OF CARROLLTON**

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**Mayor**: **Aldermen**:

 Pamela Lee Clint Gee

 Tommy Goodman

**Town Clerk**: Warren Long

 Carol Jo Coleman Bo Milton

 Daphne Williams

**Agenda Draft for September 5, 2023**

1. Bring meeting to order and prayer
2. Guests: Leigh Ann Reeves, new Customer Service Manager for Entergy, Sheriff Clint Walker
3. Approve Agenda
4. Minutes of last meeting
5. Galen Shumaker
6. Approve bills
7. Reports:
	1. Willis Projects – report from Kyle on
		1. existing projects
		2. a possible future project – landscaping water tower with sidewalk, bench, light at bench, trash can, with sidewalk improvements & installation from Jackson St to Natalie’s Park. – needs a resolution and other paperwork
	2. Preservation Award for the Historic Preservation Commission Coloring Book.
	3. Raccoon problem – have contacted MWF to see what they can do
8. Unfinished Business:
	1. Approve 2024 Budget.
	2. Approval for Memorandum of Understanding for Delta Lightspeed project.
9. New Business:
	1. Flag banners for summer instead of flags?
	2. Hire Terri Corley Blaylock on an as needed basis to fill in for the clerk.
10. Adjourn

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BOARD MEETING

Tuesday, September 5, 2023

Mayor: Pamela Lee

Aldermen: Present: Clint Gee

 Tommy Goodman

 Warren Long

 Bo Milton

 Daphne Williams

Guests: Leigh Ann Reeves, Entergy

Kyle Grubb, Willis Engineering

Sheriff Clint Walker

 Be it remembered the Mayor and Board of Alderman met in regular session on Tuesday, September 5, 2023. Mayor Lee called the meeting to order and Alderman Warren Long opened with prayer.

 The first order of business was a motion by Alderman Milton, seconded by Alderman Clint, and unanimously approved to accept the Agenda for the previous meeting.

Leigh Ann Reeves, the new Entergy customer representative, introduced herself and encouraged the board to call on her for any problem, great or small.

Kyle Grubb reported on the water tower project, the drainage improvements project and discussed a possible sidewalk grant from MDOT. This project would improve or create sidewalks from Jackson Street to Natalie’s Park by Hwy 82, along Lexington Street. On motion by Alderman Milton, seconded by Aldermen Long, the Board voted with no opposition to approve the attached resolution for matching funds from the MDOT TA program and other paperwork as needed.

Sheriff Walker met with the Board to discuss recent incidents of petty vandalism around town and options for an officer hired by the town.

A motion was made by Alderman Milton, seconded by Alderman Williams, and unanimously approved to dispense with the reading of the minutes from the previous and accept as emailed and printed.

Galen Shumaker, water operator, reported on the leaks that had been repaired in August and on the request for water at the new gated community off of Hwy 82. The health department has approved individual treatment units for the lots. However, Miller Construction must provide the Town Hall with a Letter of Intent from the health department before work on the water can begin.

A motion was made by Alderman Williams, seconded by Alderman Milton, and unanimously approved to pay the usual and customary bills as presented.

Mayor Lee gave the following reports:

* The Historic Preservation Commission was awarded a matching grant of $1,309.00 to help with the cost of printing a coloring book that features historic sites in Carroll County.
* Raccoons looking for food may become an issue when their current food source moves out of town. The Department of Wildlife and Fisheries has been contacted to see what can be done.

Unfinished Business:

* 1. A public hearing on the 2024 budget was held on August 24, from 4:30-5:30. Copies of the budget were available before the hearing. Based on the community response, on motion by Alderman Gee, seconded by Alderman Long, the budget for 2024 was approved with no opposition. Millage rates will remain at the previous rates of 48 mils for the General Fund, 2 mills for the Fire Fund, and 1 mill for the Street Fund.
* On motion by Alderman Milton, seconded by Alderman Williams, the Board voted with no opposition to accept the Memorandum of Understanding with the Mississippi Department of Finance and Administration to receive the House Bill 603 funds for the Delta Lightspeed project and to open the appropriate checking account [HB 603 Lightspeed] at the Bank of Commerce with Mayor Pamela Lee, Vice Mayor Clint Gee, and Clerk C.J. Coleman as the signers.

New Business:

* On motion by Alderman Milton, seconded by Alderman Long, the Board voted to purchase flag banners with welcome to Carrollton on them to use next summer instead of flags which do not last more than one season.
* On motion by Alderman Milton, seconded by Alderman Goodman, the Board voted to hire Mrs. Terri Blaylock as a call-in clerk on an as-needed basis, especially while the clerk is out on medical leave. There was no opposition.

There being no further business to come before the Board a motion was made by Alderman Milton, seconded by Alderman Goodman, and unanimously approved to adjourn until Tuesday, October 3, 2023.

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 Carol Jo Coleman, Town Clerk Pamela R. Lee, Mayor