TOWN OF CARROLLTON

BOARD MEETING

Thursday, January 4, 2024

Present:

Mayor: Pamela Lee

Aldermen: Present: Clint Gee Absent:

Tommy Goodman

Warren Long

Bo Milton

Daphne Williams

Others Present: Galen Shumaker, Water Operator

Hannah Ritchie, Conservative Reporter

Be it remembered the Mayor and Board of Alderman met in regular session on Thursday, January 4, 2024. Mayor Lee called the meeting to order and Alderman Milton opened with prayer.

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

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

Galen Shumaker, water operator, gave the following reports:

* After speaking with Mr. Irwin again about the cost of repairs on the line he broke at his pond, Mr. Irwin will pay the full amount, but Galen will mark the remaining line when time permits.
* The well pump that is being repaired should be ready in two weeks.
* Mr. Gee asked if the generator at the well yard was functional. It is but it needs a new $9,000 part to make it 3-phase. The generator was donated to the town by ATT. However, water from the well on CR 316 can be pumped into town without the generator.
* The Board was asked to consider putting in at least two blow-off valves to make it easier to recover from accidents like Mr. Irwin’s.

A motion was made by Alderman Milton, seconded by Alderman Goodman, and unanimously approved to pay the usual and customary bills as presented. A question was raised about the expenses for water repairs. The Board was reminded that there had been several repairs associated with DE Lightspeed connections and Townes Construction work on College Street.

Mayor Lee gave the following reports:

* A welcome reception will be held at the Carrollton North Carrollton Library for the new Librarian on January 19, from 11-2:30.
* The Conservative has a new editor – Tiffany Otis
* A Taste of Soup and Art Exhibit sponsored by the Antiquities Society will be held at the Community House on February 3.

Unfinished Business:

* Alderman Goodman presented a proposal from Mark Watson Structural Engineering in Tupelo to evaluate the Town Hall at a cost of $4,600. On motion by Alderman Milton, seconded by Alderman Long, the proposal was approved with no opposition.
* On motion by Alderman Milton, seconded by Alderman Williams, the Board approved Judi Gillespie and Betty Ray as new members of the Historic Preservation Commission.
* On motion by Alderman Goodman, seconded by Alderman Milton, the Board unanimously approved the attached resolution to add a $1.00 fee to future Zoning/Building Permits to establish and maintain a program for management of municipal records.
* On motion by Alderman Gee, seconded by Alderman Milton, the Board unanimously approved asking Attorney Lane Greenlee to draft a resolution for the Town to opt-in for a medical marijuana dispensary as allowed by state law. The Town shall not allow any other forms of production or sales as defined by state law. The Board must review the resolution and approve it before a dispensary can open.

New Business:

* On motion by Alderman Milton, seconded by Alderman Williams, the Board unanimously approved the new interlocal agreement with the Tax Assessor.
* On motion by Alderman Milton, seconded by Alderman Gee, the Board unanimously voted to table the request to repair the steps at the tax assessor’s office until the Mayor checks with Shane Carraro to make sure the repairs will be ADA compliant.
* On motion by Alderman Goodman, seconded by Alderman Milton to support J. Z. George Baseball by sponsoring a$250.00 2x2 foot sign.

There being no further business to come before the Board a motion was made by Alderman Williams, seconded by Alderman Long, and unanimously approved to adjourn until Tuesday, February 6, 2024.

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