

TOWN OF CARROLLTON
BOARD MEETING
Tuesday, May 7, 2024

Present:

Mayor: Pamela Lee

Clerk: C.J. Coleman

Aldermen: Present: Clint Gee
Warren Long
Bo Milton

Absent:
Tommy Goodman – proxy given
Daphne Williams

Others Present: Kyle Grubb, Willis Engineering
David Campbell, resident on College Street
Payton Poe, *The Conservative* reporter

Be it remembered the Mayor and Board of Alderman met in regular session on Tuesday, May 7, 2024. Mayor Lee called the meeting to order and Alderman Milton opened with prayer.

The first order of business was a motion by Alderman Milton, seconded by Alderman Gee and unanimously approved to accept the Agenda for the meeting with the addition of an item of new business to discuss adding the services of Double H Services, LLC.

Mr. Galen Shumaker, water operator, gave the following reports before leaving for another meeting:

- The new well is pumping.
- Townes has uncovered the valve on College Street that was covered in concrete. Mr. Grubb made a note to have Townes Construction clean out the rubble and make it more accessible.

Mr. David Campbell expressed concern about the issue created by Townes in his yard. Mr. Grubb assured Mr. Campbell and the Board that he would address this with Townes. Mr. Campbell thanked Mr. Grubb and the Board and left the meeting.

Mr. Grubb gave the following reports on projects in town before leaving for another meeting:

- Drainage project – Besides the paving on Jackson Street and the correction on Mr. Campbell's lot, there is a punch list of items to be completed before the project is closed.
- Water meter project – information has been sent to the Health Department for approval; advertisement expected in 2-3 weeks.

- Water Tower project – permit request has been sent to the Highway Commission for approval. They will meet next on May 14.
- MDOT grant for sidewalk project – waiting for the MOA to start the process. Representative Karl Oliver has requested \$100,000.00 for Carrollton to match grant funds.

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

A motion was made by Alderman Milton, seconded by Alderman Long, and unanimously approved to pay the usual and customary bills as presented. This also included the Willis Engineering and Townes Construction current bills.

Mayor Lee gave the following reports:

- a. Lora Hunter with Century Construction had planned to be present to talk to the Board but was unable to attend due to childcare issues. The Board agreed to add her to the agenda for next month.
- b. Sidewalk on Lexington repaired, steps rebuilt – Letter returned from Deviney Construction about covering cost of sidewalk.
- c. The Prudhommes at 600 Green St have paid water bill in full, and asked for water to be unlocked but left off so plumber could make repairs.
- d. No Parking Zones on Lexington areas are striped according to MDOT specs. With No Parking-Tow zone signs, MHP will enforce. The new commander has asked to meet with the Board at the June meeting.
- e. Planning committee is working on a bbq event on the square June 22 with music, games, etc. Alcohol will not be served/sold.
- f. Historic Preservation Commission has reported approval of 3 Certificates of Appropriateness [Bill Gillespie, Sandy McKay, Ava [Mandy] Whitfield] Zoning Permits were also issued.
- g. Stanhope sold to Kenneth & Harriet Moore. Carlton is moving into Peter Gee's apartment at the Sullivan House. Steve Bailey has informed us that Tanglewood has been sold, but the water will not be changed until the repairs on the pool have been completed. The contract on The Oaks is set to be signed May 30.

Unfinished Business:

- On motion by Alderman Milton, seconded by Alderman Gee, the Board tabled the discussion about raising the salary for Ann Sullivan to clean the Community House until the next meeting.
- Lee Shumaker, Attala Water, could not use the camera to investigate the storm drain down from the office because the drain is so packed. They were able to remove some debris but need the Fire Department to try blowing it open again. No action was taken.

- No action was taken on the seal coating proposal. Jim Neill can fill the potholes when he has the material.
- On motion by Alderman Long, seconded by Alderman Milton and approved unanimously by the Board, the review of the structural engineer's report on the Town Hall was tabled until the June meeting.

New Business:

- On motion by Alderman Milton, seconded by Alderman Long, the Board unanimously voted to support the new Farmers Market in Carrollton with \$100.00 to be used for advertising.
- On motion by Alderman Milton, seconded by Alderman Long, the Board approved the disaster proclamation and resolution for the recent storm with no opposition.
- On motion by Alderman Milton, seconded by Alderman Gee, the Board voted with no opposition to participate in the 5-year District 3 Hazard Mitigation Planning process, appointed County EMA Director our representative in the meetings, and expressed appreciation to the County Board of Supervisors for covering the expenses related to this project.
- On motion by Alderman Gee, seconded by Alderman Milton, the Board unanimously approved meeting with Ryan and Eric Hopkins, Double H Services, LLC, at the June meeting to learn more about their services. Alderman Gee is interested in them cleaning out some ditches. The mayor has already engaged them to remove the dilapidated flower planters and to transport lumber from True Value in Grenada to the jail at Vaiden so they can make the replacement.

There being no further business to come before the Board a motion was made by Alderman Milton, seconded by Alderman Long, and unanimously approved to adjourn until Tuesday, June 4, 2024.

Carol Jo Coleman, Town Clerk

Pamela R. Lee, Mayor