**Regular Council Meeting**

**June 21, 2021**

**6:00 P.M.**

**Present:** Steve Cozart, Jane Hayes, Nina Hendricks, Josh Holloway, Tony Howard, Gretchen McPherson, Shon Owens, Eric Seib, April Watson, Crystal Weatherington (via phone)

**Meeting Call to Order:** Eric Seib

**Prayer:** Councilman Holloway

**Pledge:** Councilwoman Hayes

**Approval of Meeting Minutes:** Mayor Owens made motion to accept the minutes as written. Seconded by Councilman Holloway. 4 Yeas. 0 Nays. Motion carried.

**Operations Report:** Mr. Seib presented the operations report (attached). The next step for the Park Master Plan will be presented by Ms. Weatherington at the July 6, 2021 meeting. Mr. Seib stated that he would like to consider using some of the funds from the American Recovery Act to complete work on the Land Development Code as well as the electronic version of Ordinances and Resolutions through Municode. State Street was discussed. Councilwoman Hayes made a motion to complete an RFP for the survey for State Street. Seconded by Councilwoman Hendricks. 4 yeas, 0 nays. Motion carried.

**Old Business:**

**Request to place RV on lot as Rental Property** – Mr. Cozart stated that our Land Development Code requires 8 acres of land to establish an RV park. Therefore, this request is denied due to property not being 8 acres.

**New Business:**

**2021 – 2022 Budget Process and Important Dates:** The certification of taxable value is sent in July of each year. We have already received this from the county. We have also received 100% of budgeted amount for ad valorem (see attached budget update). Discussion followed. Budget Hearings are to be held September 3 – 18, 2021. Mr. Seib will inform the council as to when the Town of Jay budget hearing will be. Mayor Owens stated that he would like to meet with the county commissioners later to discuss further assistance to the Town of Jay for park funding and other items of need. Councilwoman Hendricks requested to hold a discussion with the principal of Jay High School and other community groups to submit all requests at a specific date each year to assist in planning the Town budget.

**Resolution to Purchase of Outdoor Fitness Center:** Mr. Seib presented the council with information regarding the funding of an outdoor fitness center to be built at Bray-Hendricks Park. Mr. Seib read Resolution 21-06-04 (attached). Discussion followed. Councilwoman Hayes made a motion to approve Resolution 21-06-04. Mayor Owens seconded. 4 yeas, 0 nays. Motion carried.

**Other Requests**: Mr. Seib asked the council to consider a time for a weekly public workshop to begin planning for upcoming events. Mayor Owens requested to have a specific agenda for these workshops. It was decided to hold these on Wednesdays at 7:30 am at Town Hall.

**Visitors Comments:** None.

Motion by Mayor Owens to adjourn. Seconded by Councilwoman Hayes. 4 Yeas. 0 Nays. Motion carried.

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Donna Bullock, Town Clerk Shon Owens, Mayor