Regular Council Meeting Minutes Dec. 19, 2022

Present: Donna Bullock, Steve Cozart, Jane Hayes, Nina Hendricks, Josh Holloway, Gretchen McPherson, Eric Seib, April Watson, Crystal Weatherington, Tony Howard, Nathan Boyles

Meeting Call to Order: Eric Seib Prayer: Josh Holloway Pledge: Jane Hayes

Approve Minutes: Councilwoman Hendricks made a motion to accept the previous regular meeting minutes as written. Seconded by Councilman Holloway. 3 yeas, 0 nays. Motion carried. Councilwoman Hayes made a motion to accept the previous special meeting minutes as written. Seconded by Councilman Holloway. 3 yeas, 0 nays. Motion carried.

1. Town of Jay Report:

Operations Report: Mr. Seib presented the operations report (attached). He obtained a quote of \$8,000 for a 4-foot chain link fence for the park playground. The town is moving forward with this quote so that the playground can reopen. Mr. Seib stated that he had met with Mike Adams regarding electricity for the park. Mr. Adams said that currently, it would cost approximately \$25,000 for lighting only for the softball field. Discussion followed. Councilwoman Hayes made a motion to limit the improvements for the temporary softball field and for the Legion fields to a maximum of \$50,000. Seconded by Councilman Holloway. 3 yeas, 0 nays. Motion carried. Mr. Seib stated that he had attended the Rural Economic Development Conference recently and was working on some of the concepts presented to help with financing the park renovation. Discussion followed.

Engineering Report: Ms. Weatherington presented the engineering report and included some of the cutbacks for the new park plan. The Town will have to do a total rebid for the project due to the necessary changes. The CDBG paving contract is complete and work will begin after the first of the year.

2.Old Business:

Land Development Code Committees: Mr. Seib is still working on people for these committees.

Moore Creek Interconnect Agreement: Moore Creek has not yet responded.

Town of Jay Logo: Several designs are being made and we will discuss at a later date.

Town of Jay Non-Profit: The paperwork is ready and will be mailed out this week.

State Street Right of Way: The survey is complete, and Mr. Cozart and Mr. Seib are working on contacting residents who are affected.

3. New Business:

Adams Sanitation Contract Renewal: Nathan Boyles of Adams Sanitation was present and stated that due to increased costs of sanitation, a 4% increase in costs would take place. This is the maximum amount to increase per the contract with Adams. Councilwoman Hayes made a motion to approve the contractual increase with Adams Sanitation. Seconded by Councilman Holloway. 3 yeas, 0 nays. Motion carried. Said increase will begin on January billing.

CD Renewal Letter: The United Bank CD is up for renewal. Councilwoman Hayes made a motion to move the CD to a savings account upon verification of auditors. Seconded by Councilman Holloway. 3 yeas. 0 nays. Motion carried.

Quarterly Dieldrin Letter: Mr. Seib stated that well #3 has a small amount of dieldrin which is lower than it previously was, but still warrants a letter to residents with the information regarding the levels. The letter (attached) will go out with December billing. Currently well #3 is only being used as a backup. Discussion followed.

End of Year Employee Bonus: Councilwoman Hendricks thanked the staff and council for all the help with the Joy in Jay festivities. She made a motion for a \$400 gross end of year bonus for full-time hourly employees and for a \$200 gross end of year bonus for the two newer employees due to them not being employed for the full year. Seconded by Councilwoman Hayes. 3 yeas, 0 nays. Motion carried.

4. Visitor comments: None

Councilwoman Hayes made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Councilman Holloway. 3 yeas, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Donna Bullock, Town Clerk

Shon Owens, Mayor