

October 18th, 2023

Monthly Meeting

Junius Town Hall

Present: Supervisor Ernie Brownell, Councilman Rick Wadhams, Councilman Kyle Black, Councilman James Patsos, Councilman Randy Wadhams, Highway Superintendent Dave Fisk, Planning Board Linda Mott, Bookkeeper Denise Darcangelis, Town Clerk Colleen Smith

Absent: Assessor Phil Griswold,

Also Present: Tax Collector Linda Cordavani

Pledge of Allegiance

Supervisor called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm

Privilege of the Floor:

Audit of Claims- The bills have been reviewed by the board and are authorized to be paid as follows:

Pre-Pays: General \$919.13; Highway \$2,504.65; Water District #1 \$74.14

Paying Tonight: General \$17,619.88; Highway \$39,167.48; Water District #1 \$66,941.45; Water District #2 \$546.54; Water District #3 \$5,839.49.

Motion made by Councilman Rick Wadhams and seconded by Councilman James Patsos accepting of paying the bills.

VOTE: Aye- 5; NAY – 0; Absent – 0; Abstain – 0

A transfer was requested from account A1620.1 Building Personnel Services for \$2,000 to account A1420.4 Law Contractual. A motion was made by Councilman James Patsos to approve the transfer and seconded by Councilman Randy Wadhams.

VOTE: Aye- 5; NAY – 0; Absent – 0; Abstain – 0

Approval of Minutes: Motioned made by Councilman James Patsos and seconded by Councilman Kyle Black to accept the minutes.

VOTE: Aye- 5; NAY – 0; Absent – 0; Abstain – 0

Town Clerk Report: 46 Dog Licenses and 1 marriage license. A check for \$484.50 was given to the Town. Also Show world has applied for the license to sell cannabis.

Motioned made by Councilman Rick Wadhams and seconded by Councilman Randy Wadhams to accept the Town Clerk report.

VOTE: Aye- 5; NAY – 0; Absent – 0; Abstain – 0

Executive Session:

Supervisor Brownell made a motion to go into executive session with the Town Board Members and the tax collector Linda Cordavani, Councilman James Patsos second the motion at 6:05

VOTE: Aye- 5; NAY – 0; Absent – 0; Abstain – 0

Councilman Kyle Black made the motion to close the executive session and Councilman James Patsos second it at 6:16

VOTE: Aye- 5; NAY – 0; Absent – 0; Abstain – 0

Committee Reports:

Water Committee: Supervisor Brownell and Engineer Jason McCormick drove around the whole town looking at where they want to put the new water district. Jason was unable to make tonight's meeting.

The Town of Waterloo is raising its water rates. It has already gone up for 2023 - \$3.99 per 1,000 gallons of water. We are currently paying \$3.68 per 1,000 gallons. In 2024 the rate goes up \$4.65 per 1,000; In 2025 \$4.98 per 1,000; In 2026 \$5.09 per 1,000 gallons.

Councilman Rick Wadhams made the motion to raise the water rate to \$3.99 per 1,000 gallons as was stated in the Public Hearing on August 16th. Councilman Kyle Black second the motion. The board will review the next 3 years of rates and decide on further action.

VOTE: Aye- 5; NAY – 0; Absent – 0; Abstain – 0

Highway Committee: Superintendent Fisk let the board know that he has received complaints over the year from residents on Mills Road near Route 318. (it is very wet area). Junius Highway department has paved, striped the road and put shoulders on that road. The waterline was put in by private contractors and the side of the roads are rough and uneven. The area where the new water lines were installed, has now settled, and is causing issues. The highway department will get soil to put over the lines and try to level it out.

The striping company has finally showed up and striped our roads. The Highway department is in the process of marking trees that need to be removed. They will remove the bad trees in the next 2 months. They will contract Cut Throat tree service to get the ones by the power lines. The Highway department has also been helping Phelps with their water lines.

Three signs have been stolen from the Town, shortly after the signs being installed. Police reports have been filed.

Building committee: Supervisor Brownell would like to get new doors for the Town Hall. He will work on quotes. A Bee exterminator was called to spray the building. There has been a huge increase in Bee activity inside the building. Supervisor Brownell asked if we should look into getting a Generator for the Town Hall. He will look into quotes.

Dog Control: The Town's dog kennel passed its yearly inspection

Planning Committee:

Assessor Report:

Old BUSINESS:

New Business: A public hearing needs to be set for the 2024 Budget. We have the public hearing on November 15th at 6pm.

Adjournment: Councilman James Patsos motioned to adjourn the meeting; Councilman Rick Wadhams seconded it. Meeting adjourned at 7:00 PM

VOTE: Aye- 5; NAY – 0; Absent – 0; Abstain – 0

Minutes recorded and submitted by Town Clerk

Colleen Smith