

**TOWN OF BOWMAN**

**COUNCIL MEETING**

**MINUTES October 1, 2019**

Present: Mayor Pro-Tem Patsy Rhett

Council: Michael Void, Councilman

Leroy Harley, Councilman

L. Landrum Weathers, Councilman (Absent)

Town Clerk: Melvin Felder, Jr.

Chief of Police: Kevin Pendarvis

Office Manager: Yvonne Lewis (Absent)

The Town of Bowman Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Pro-Tem at 7:00 PM. Councilman Michael L. Void offered the invocation. The previous meeting minutes were approved and adopted. Motion was offered by Councilman Void and second by Councilman Harley.

**Citizen Request**

None

**Administrative Updates**

None

**Finance Report**

**For the Month Ended September 2019**

Sewer Operation \$ 7,088.60

General Fund \$ 21,749.28

Municipal Fund \$ 3,197.25

The financial report was motion to be accepted and place in the file for future reference by Councilman Harley. Motion was properly second by Councilman Void.

**Water and Sewer Department - Leroy Harley - Councilman**

Councilman Harley read the report from the Operator detailing his usual work log for the month that included the various testing, changing of cylinders, minor repairs that were contracted out, and the monthly DMR Report that submitted to SCDHEC.

Mayor Pro-Tem added to the report that state that we received a few calls in regards to water pressure but that it was fixed right away.

#### **Police Department- Patsy Rhett- Councilperson**

Chief Pendarvis gave the police department report. 9 reports were written for the month.

Pendarvis stated the department is preparing for the Trunk or Treat that will be held on October 31, 2019 from 5:30 pm – 7pm at the Bowman Town Hall. He stated this event is held annually to keep the children safe and out of traffic.

Clerk Felder stated that letters have been sent out to Businesses and Churches for participation in this event. He stated that it would be placed on the utility billing as well for those citizens wishing to participate.

#### **Parks-Councilman Michael Void**

Councilman Void stated that the Harvest Festival was a success. He stated that the committee is looking into adding some additional electrical boxes to provide more spacing for vendors.

Councilman Void stated that the Harvest Festival banner was damaged during Hurricane Dorian and that a new sign may need to be purchased.

Councilman Void stated that in the Inner City Park a few more things need to be worked on.

#### **Streets - Councilman Weathers (absent)**

In the absence of Councilman Weathers, the report was given by Mayor Pro-Tem Patsy Rhett.

Mayor Pro-Tem Rhett stated that the project with SCDOT is scheduled to begin in January 2020.

#### **Old Business**

Mayor Pro-Tem stated that that in regards to the proposal submitted to the Town from Ms. Joyce Jenkins on behalf of utilizing the old Bowman High School Football Field that is currently owned by the Town for recreational activities to include the adding of a softball field, lightning, football field, fencing and etc. She wanted to know if the town is willing to selling, lease, or donate the property to them for this endeavor. It was properly motion by Councilman Void and second by Councilman Harley that the town moves forward with the proposal by way of presenting it the Town attorney for review and move forward from that point.

#### **New Business**

Mayor Pro-Tem Patsy Rhett stated that she was in attendance to a Mayor's meeting in which she was able to interact with other Mayors and was able to gain knowledge on various towns' problems and concerns, in which some linked to some of the same issues and concerns that are within the Town of Bowman.

A resident stated that more dogs are being seen at large. She stated that they are not be aggressive as of now but wanted to make the council aware of it.

A resident stated that she, Aretha Allison is a candidate for Mayor, and ask a few questions in concerns to some clarity mentioned throughout the departmental reports.

Mayor Pro-Tem advised the public that the Town Election is scheduled for Tuesday, November 5, 2019.

It was properly motioned by Councilman Void and second by Councilman Harley that the meeting be adjourned until the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday in November 2019.