

TOWN OF BOWMAN

COUNCIL MEETING

MINUTES October 3, 2018

Present: Mayor Marion Glenn, Jr.

Council: Patsy Rhett, Councilperson

Michael Void, Councilman

Leroy Harley, Councilman (Absent)

L. Landrum Weathers, Councilman

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 Marion Glenn, Jr at 7:00 PM. Councilman Rhett offered the invocation. The previous meeting minutes were approved and adopted. Motion was offered by Councilman Rhett and second by Councilman Void.

Citizen Request

Mr. Keitt Alexander – Mr. Alexander is a representative for a potential mobile food market that is seeking to serve the town's residents.

Mr. Alexander stated that he is wishing to show support to the town by starting a mobile market that would serve the residents with basic food items (vegetables, rice, sugar) and other items. He stated that stops for the market will be outline in the near future for stops at local churches and/or organizations in the Town.

Alexander stated that he will be working with the town to lockaway/store some of these items at the Town Hall when not being used. He furthered stated that in the near future the he will be collaborating with the town for space to utilize to conduct educational opportunities to the community.

Administrative Updates

NONE

Finance Report

For the Month Ended September 30, 2018

Sewer Operation \$ 7,547.14

General Fund \$ 62,701.04

Municipal Fund \$ 2,402.51

The financial report was motion to be accepted and place in the file for future reference pending receipt of the bank statements by Councilman Rhett. Motion was properly second by Councilman Void.

Water and Sewer Department - Leroy Harley - Councilman (Absent)

In the absence of Mr. Harley, Mayor Glenn gave the report for the department.

Mayor Glenn stated that there were no major problems, only a few minor issues(leaks) that the town workers were able to take care of. He stated that the town's Water Operator conducted his routine work for the month.

Police Department- Patsy Rhett- Councilperson

Councilperson Rhett stated that the town police department is working well with what they have. She stated that she, along with the Mayor and Chief are in agreeance with purchasing an additional patrol car for the department and in the near future selling some things within the department (old fleet) to recoup some of the funds.

Chief Pendarvis stated that for the month of August the Police Department filed a total of 14 reports.

Chief Pendarvis stated that during the Harvest Festival they had no major issues and that he wanted to thank the various agencies that came and assisted.

Chief Pendarvis announced that the Halloween Trunk or Treat is scheduled for Wednesday, October 31th from 5:30 - 7:30pm at the Bowman Town Hall. He stated that anyone wishing to partake as a vendor are asked to contact the Bowman Police Department or the Bowman Town Hall and that letters have been mailed to local businesses and churches.

Councilman Weathers asked was there a trend with the total number of reports with this month being higher than normal.

Chief Pendarvis started that during the month of September – December there are normally more reports issued.

Councilman Weathers also asked if more police presence could be seen during times of higher than normal volume of traffic in town (evacuations, accidents on interstate) for most of the traffic coming through are accelerating at a high rate of speed.

Parks-Councilman Michael Void

Councilman Void stated that the Harvest Festival was a success. He stated that more ideas of fundraisers will be brought about as well as soliciting help from the town to grow the festival

Councilman Void stated that the users of the Inner City are doing a pretty good job at keeping it clean.

Councilman Void stated that for the safety of the children the Town will be hosting its Annual Halloween Trunk or Treat on Wednesday, October 31st from 5:30pm – 7:30pm at the Bowman Town Hall.

Streets

Councilman Weathers stated that some things are forthcoming but to stay tuned.

Mayor Glenn stated that the streetscape project is still moving along. He stated that a representative was in the area obtaining signatures from property owners for the right of way for the project.

Councilman Weathers stated that some of the signs (bird sanctuary, noise ordinance) are faded coming into town and he would , noise ordinance) are faded coming into town and he would check on seeing about it getting replaced.

Old Business

NONE

New Business

Mayor Glenn stated that the Town was in receipt of an agreement, ordinance and resolution from the Municipal Association of South Carolina on behalf of the Setoff Debt Program.

He stated that the Setoff Debt Program is designed to help recoup fees owed from customers pay way of using the SC Department of Revenue to recoup the funding.

It was properly motion by Councilman Rhett and second by Councilman Void that the town accept the agreement, resolution, and ordinance. This will serve as the 1st of the 2 required readings.

It was properly motioned by Councilman Void and second by Councilman Weathers that the meeting be adjourned until the first Tuesday in November 2018.