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Town of Bowman Council Meeting Minutes January 4, 2022, 7:00pm

Character Trait for January: Respect

Mission Statement: The Town of Bowman government delivers essential services that contribute to the well-being, safety, and quality of life of its citizens. In doing so, we seek to meet the collective needs of our citizens in a cost-effective manner. We strive to provide “Quality Service and Solutions: Mutual Respect and Unity with the Community to reach a positive and productive goal for a common cause.”

The Bowman Town Council will meet in regular session on the first Tuesday of each month (with the exception of July, Special Call to Meeting and Emergency Meetings).

- I. Call to Order and Greetings Mayor Patsy Rhett
- II. Swearing in Ceremony of Councilman Elect Shawn Glenn and Ike Carter
- III. Prayer Mayor Rhett
- IV. Pledge of Allegiance Councilman Carter

- V. Approval of December 2021 Minutes
 - Council Person Pelzer moved for approval and second by Council Person Rogers’

- VI. Citizen Request
 - There were no request

- VII. Financial Report Town Clerk- Toni Glover
 - Operations and Maintenance
 - ❖ Starting Balance: \$15,184.26
 - ❖ Net Income: \$3,751.46
 - ❖ Ending Balance: \$18,935.72
 - General Fund:
 - ❖ Starting Balance: \$138,937.54
 - ❖ Net Income: (\$43,580.93)
 - ❖ Ending Balance: \$95,356.61
 - Mayor Rhett moved for the financial report to be approved and second by the entire Council for approval

- VIII. Administration Updates
 - Town of Bowman proposed budget 1st reading was on December 2, 2021 2nd reading will be held in this meeting on 1/4/2022
 - ❖ Budget is:
 - Operations and Maintenance \$358,034.00
 - General Fund: \$476,983.00

- ❖ Total Budget: \$835,017.00
- ❖ \$190,111.00 is allocated to the Town Police Department (2 fulltime and 1 part-time positions) Mayor Rhett moved for the 2nd reading of the 2022 Town of Bowman budget to be approved and it second by the entire Council
- Reading of Ordinance for 2022 Business License
 - ❖ The New Ordinance for Business Licenses was read; this new ordinance will go into effect on May 1, 2022

IX. Departmental Reports

1. Streets Councilman Carter
 - Councilman Carter wanted to acknowledge Dominion for putting up the Christmas lights on Main Street for the Holidays.
 - We have existing funding from DOT for placing new street lights in front of Town Hall
 - The Town of Bowman will have a new display sign to be delivered around March and the sign will be controlled by the Mayor's office staff it will be located on the museum property.
 - Councilman Carter mentioned supercharging stations could be possible for the Town and that these stations could be placed near the new town library.

2. Recreation Council Person Pelzer
 - On Sunday, 2/6/2022 Ms. Turner will have a Unity March starting at 2:00pm and the March will begin at Bowman Town Hall
 - Council Person Pelzer would like for the community to send some ideas in reference to having a Black History Month program (Mayor Rhett will follow up with the Minister Alliance in reference to participating and any ideas for Black History Month) on Feb. 29, 2022

3. Water and Sewer Mayor Rhett
 - The Town of Bowman has ordered identification signs for all the pump stations and that all pump stations have been evaluated and are operating at maximum efficiency.
 - Councilman Glenn will be notified when the P.E.R. report is submitted by the engineers.

4. Community Concerns
 - Various remarks from the public with concerns about in town shootings and what can possible be done
 - Councilman Carter inquired about delinquent water accounts and the Mayor stated that the matter would be addressed by the next Council meeting
 - Mayor Rhett informed the body that the Regional Medical Center will be sending a doctor to fill the positon that is being vacated by the retirement of Dr. Price

- The Harvest Festival is still an active committee and looking for volunteers (any questions or concerns please contact Council Person Rogers or Ms. Sylvia Stephens)

5. Police Department

Council Person Roger's

- 1 Burglary
- 2 Information Only
- 1 Malicious to Personal Property
- 1 Civil Dispute
- 1 Assist Other Agency
- Councilman Carter wanted some clarification with the C.A.D. system. Dialogue ended with Chief Pendarvis and Council Person Rogers being asked to make necessary inquires.

VII. New Business

DHEC Inspection of Water and Sewer Departments

- DHEC has completed their inspection and the Town of Bowman has passed inspection with the help of Mr. Hudson and the water/sewer department

VIII. Adjournment