

**TOWN OF BOWMAN**  
**COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

**February 1, 2022**

Present: Mayor Patsy Rhett

Council: Shawn Glenn, Councilman

Ike Carter, Councilman

Shaquetta Pelzer, Councilperson

Delesera Roger's, Councilperson

Town Clerk: Toni Glover (Absent) LaGwenda Berry Present

Chief of Police: Kevin Pendarvis

The Town of Bowman Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Rhett at 7:00 PM. Councilperson Pelzer offered the invocation and pledge offered by Councilman Glenn. The previous meeting minutes were approved and adopted. Motion was offered by Councilperson Pelzer and second by Councilperson Rogers.

**Citizen Request**

**There was no citizen's request.**

**Administrative Updates**

- The third reading of the 2023 Budget was presented to council by Mayor Rhett. Mayor Rhett asked for a motion. Councilman Carter made a motion to accept the third reading of the budget and it was second by the body.
  - General Fund- \$476, 983.00
  - Water Fund - \$ 358, 034.00
  - Total -\$ 835,017.00
- Orangeburg Consolidated School District will host a School Improvements presentation by Superintendent Shawn Foster on February 16, 2022 at Bethune-Bowman. The school districts are asking that council and citizens of Bowman attend this presentation.
- On January 24, 2022 an easement was drawn up by Mr. Price attorney who included payment of \$2500.00 to gain access to Causeway Drive. The easement will be sent to the towns attorney IS Leevy Johnson. Attorney Johnson will reach back out to us. Councilman Carter made a motion to let the Mayor handle this situation and it was second by Councilperson Pelzer.

## **Finance Report**

### **For the Month Ended January 2021**

Sewer Operation \$ 7,184.40

General Fund \$ 113, 946.53

The financial report was motion to be accepted and place on file for future reference by Councilperson Roger's and motion was properly second by the body.

### **Water and Sewer Department – Shawn Glenn - Councilman**

- Councilman Glenn 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.
- All delinquent accounts above \$250.00 will be cutoff on Thursday, February 3, 2022.

### **Police Department- Councilperson Roger's**

- The Police department filed a total of 5 of incidents reports during the month of January. The reports are as follows: 2- Assisting other agency and 3-Info only.

### **Parks-Councilperson Pelzer**

- Unity March has been rescheduled for 3/30/22 at 2 p.m. Mrs. Turner is asking everyone who attends the march bring a poster with scripture pertaining to unity,
- The Community Black History program is scheduled for February 26, 2022 at Town Hall.
- The trees in the inner city park were cut down due to safety and lighting.

### **Streets – Ike Carter**

- Dominion Energy was supposed to reverse Christmas lights positions; however because of the inclement weather and a number of Covid cases this will be done later in the department.
- Upcoming Street lights and sidewalks on Poplar Street
- Mr. Carter stated he is having a difficult time getting in contact with Frontier to discuss the removal of telephone lines near trees.

### **Remarks by Mayor**

Our character trait for the month of February is LOVE. Mayor Rhett asks that we exhibit our character throughout the month and year. This is Black History month and I would like to

acknowledge our history and previous mayors who have transition and served the Bowman Community. Mayor William Robinson, Mayor Zelda Pelzer and Mayor Marion Glenn.

### **Executive Session**

Mayor Rhett asked for a motion to go into executive session. Motion was made by Councilman Carter and second by Councilman Glenn. Chief Pendarvis was asked to stay.

Council returned and heard the information from Chief Pendarvis about the purchase of needed radio and camera equipment. Council agreed to purchase said equipment in the amount of \$63,331.44 with a down payment of \$6,333.14 and the town will look at the other ways of paying for the said equipment by means of securing grants. Councilman Carter and Michelle Redden agreed to look for and apply for grants to cover said equipment.

### **Adjournment**

A motion for adjournment was made by Mayor Rhett and second by body.