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MEMO TO:

FARMERS AND MERCHANTS BANK OFFICIALS

FROM:

PATSY RHETT, MAYOR – TOWN OF BOWMAN

RE:

NEW MEDICAL BANK ACCOUNT

DATE:

SEPTEMER 5, 2023

PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT AT THE SEPTEMBER TOWN COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON SEPTEMBER 5, 2023, THE BOWMAN TOWN COUNCIL AGREED TO THE FOLLOWING:

- THAT A NEW BANK ACCOUNT BE ESTABLISHED WITH REGARDS TO MONIES BEING RECEIVED FOR RENTAL OF THE MEDICAL CENTER FACILITIES, TO WIT: MUSC DOCTOR'S OFFICE AND DR. RODELSPERGER, DENTIST, AND
- 2) THAT MAYOR PATSY RHETT AND YVONNE LEWIS BE LISTED AS SIGNERS ON SAID ACCOUNT, AND
- 3) THAT MEMBERS OF THE BOWMAN TOWN COUNCIL ARE IN AGREEMENT WITH THE OPENING OF SAID BANK ACCOUNT.

DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2023

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MEMO TO:

THE TOWN OF BOWMAN RESIDENTS

FROM:

MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS

RE:

GRANTS RECEIVED BY THE TOWN OF BOWMAN

DATE:

SEPTEMBER 5, 2023

THIS LETTER IS TO ENSURE THAT WE, THE ELECTED BODY OF THE TOWN ARE CARRYING OUT OUR ENDEAVORS TO CONTINUE TO MAKE BOWMAN A SAFE AND PRODUCTIVE COMMUNITY. IN OUR EFFORTS TO KEEP OUR PROMISES, THE FOLLOWING GRANTS HAVE BEEN RECEIVED BY THE TOWN, TO WIT:

\$25,000 PARD GRANT – WHICH WAS USED FOR UPGRADES TO THE PLAYGROUND AREA AT THE NATURE PARK.

\$25,000 PARD GRANT – WHICH WAS USED FOR UPGRADES TO THE INNER CITY PARK – REPLACEMENT OF FENCING.

\$25,000 – LITTER GRANT – THIS GRANT WAS USED TO PAY FOR CLEANUP EFFORTS IN THE TOWN. THE CUTTING OF BUSHES AND TREES AND THE REMOVAL OF TRASH FROM VARIOUS AREAS, UNFORTUNATELY, THIS IS AN ONGOING EFFORT DUE TO THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE WHO CONTINUE TO LITTER.

\$2,000,000 – RURAL INFRASTRUCTURE GRANTS - WASTE WATER TREATMENT PLANT – THESE MONIES WILL BE USED FOR OUR SEWER PLANT UPGRADE WHICH WILL FACILITATE THIS PLANT BEING ABLE TO MAINTAIN THE EFFLUENT LEVELS WHICH ARE MANDATED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL (DHEC) AS WELL AS BEING ABLE TO MAINTAIN OUR QUALITY OF LIFE. WE SINCERELY THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE.

Town of Bowman

Council Meeting

Minutes September 5, 2023

Present: Mayor Patsy Rhett

Council: Councilperson, Shaquetta Pelzer

Councilman, Ike Carter

Councilman, Shawn Glenn

Town Manager: Yvonne Lewis

Chief of Police: Kevin Pendarvis

The Town of Bowman Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Patsy Rhett at 7:00 PM. Our opening prayer was made by Councilperson Shaquetta Pelzer. The Pledge of Alliance to the flag was led by Councilman Ike Carter. A motion was offered by Councilperson Shaquetta Pelzer and properly second by Councilman Carter to accept the August 2023 meeting.

Citizen Request

Representatives from MUSC gave greetings to all that were in attendance. The CEO, Walter Bennett III introduced his staff to everyone present. Mr. Bennett gave many highlights of what MUSC has to offer to our area and surrounding areas of Orangeburg County. Mr. Bennett also stated that our MUSC office(Bowman Location) is now open five days a week. A floor discussion was offered and questions were answered. Mayor Rhett stated that we need to have a community forum in the near future.

Mayor Rhett read a proposal from Community Heart-Soul Request. Council discussed the topic and at this point it was recommended that we table the item for future discussion.

Mayor Rhett read a letter from a concern citizen Ms. Michelle Redden concerning our grants and how the monies are being spent in conjunction with the two-million-dollar grant. Mayor Rhett read the flyer and council agreed to sign the document and it will go in our water bills mail outs.

1890_Building-Skip Welch a contractor stated that he inspected the building on two different occasions and stated that the building has too many repairs and it would not be worth repairing due to the many upgrades. Council stated that it should be torn down or sold as is. Councilman Carter recommended that the mayor contact a few realtors to get a better look at our options. Motion was placed on the floor by Carter to authorize the mayor to look at the cost of selling building as is or tearing building down. Motion was second by Councilperson Pelzer.

A/C-1890 Office- Mayor Rhett stated that she has received one quote for the replacement cost of a/c and asked the council to look around as well. Councilman Carter motion that we receive three quotes for replacement cost of a/c. Motion second by Councilperson Pelzer.

Rental- Mayor Rhett stated that we have to establish a new bank account to house monies coming in from MUSC and the Dentist Office. Councilman Carter offered a motion to establish a new bank account with the sole purpose of housing rental monies from the two facilities. Motion second by Councilperson Pelzer.

Clerk Application- Mayor stated to council that in their packet is another application for the clerk position.

Departmental Reports

Streets- Councilman lke Carter asked did anyone have any questions about streets there were none. There was much floor discussion from Councilman Carter is reference to our fianance reports and upgrading our software to cut down on the six pages of audit reports. Councilman Carter stated that he is proposing to Council that we buy the software. More floor discussion and it was decided that Mayor Rhett would look into the software as well as our existing company.

Parks & Recreation-Councilperson Shaquetta Pelzer- Councilperson Pelzer stated that the pageant was so lovely. Our winners are Timothy Nesbitt, Harmony Summers and Damani Berry. They will be representing the Harvest Festival in Saturdays parade. The Harvest Festival will begin at 6pm and end on Sunday 6pm. There are a few vendor's spots left. The Trunk a Threat will be Held on October 31, 2023. Mr. Bobby Jones will be coming in about three weeks to look at the park. Council Pelzer stated that there is a Free Technology Classes that will be offered to the public fifty years and older.

Water and Sewer-Councilman Shawn Glenn – Ask that we give our Administration Staff and Police Officers a round of applause for all the work they do. Councilman Glenn stated that all reports for the water department were positive. Since the last storm we are still experiencing flooding. The state has been declared a state of emergency.

Police Department-Chief Kevin Pendarvis stated that there were 49 citations written for the month and 6 incidents reports for the month.

More floor discussion our flooding and FEMA. Motion was made that we adjourn until the next council meeting in October 3, 2023.