

**Town Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
January 11, 2022 @ 7:00 p.m.**

The Roseboro Board of Commissioners met in Regular Session at Town Hall on Tuesday, January 11, 2022, at 7:00 pm.

Members present at Town Hall were Mayor Alice Butler, Mayor Pro-Tem Anthony Bennett, Commissioners Mark Gupton and Cyndi Templin. Also, present were Deputy Clerk Tammy Faircloth, Attorney Sandy Sanderson, and Emily Williams (Sampson Independent). Commissioners Ray Fisher and Richard Barefoot were excused absent.

COMMENCEMENT

- Call to Order – Mayor Butler called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.
- Invocation – Mayor Butler led everyone in a moment of silence followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.
- Agenda Adoption – Commissioner Gupton made a **motion** to adopt the agenda. **All in favor. Motion carried.**
- Meeting Minutes – Mayor Pro-Tem Bennett made a **motion** to approve the meeting minutes from the December 14, 2021, Regular Meeting; **all in favor. Motion carried.** Mayor Pro-Tem Bennett made a **motion** to approve the meeting minutes from the December 21, 2021, Special Meeting; **all in favor. Motion carried.**

ROSEBORO HAPPENINGS

- BloomFest has been scheduled for April 30, 2022. The BloomFest Committee has scheduled their next meeting for Tuesday, January 18, 2022, at 6:00 p.m.

OLD BUSINESS

- Well Drilling Bids – During the December 2021 Board meeting, the bids that were received were rejected and recommended rebidding. However, the bid that was originally posted did not meet all the USDA guidelines; therefore, the engineering company is working with USDA to redo the bid documents. Anticipations are that the new bid documents will be available for posting at the end of January 2022.
- Flooding Issue – David Rouser’s office sent some information that may help with the flooding issue experienced on the property owned by Mr. & Mrs. Burney. However, the town learned that the landowners hired a contractor to install a 24” pipe, donated by Crumpler Pipe, at the rear of their property. Hopefully, this will resolve the flooding issue being experienced.

NEW BUSINESS

- Mayor Pro-Tem – Commissioner Bennett has been serving as Mayor Pro-Tem for several years. With the expiring of his term, Commissioner Gupton made the **motion** that Anthony Bennett continue as Mayor Pro-Tem; **all in favor. Motion carried.**


- Refinance of Wastewater Treatment Plant – The Board was presented with a draft resolution for consideration of paying off the wastewater treatment plant loan. Paying off the loan would save approximately \$20,000 in interest. The loan would be paid off using the general fund, taking the strain off the water/sewer funds. The enterprise fund would then repay the general fund for the payoff amount over a longer period thereby reducing yearly payments. This method has been discussed with the LGC. Since no quorum was present, a vote was not possible.
- Nuisance Abatement Charge – Brought before the Board for consideration is establishing a charge for nuisance abatement. If the town must step in to abate (haul off) debris other than green waste or items during Clean Sweep, then a \$200.00 charge per load/trip to the landfill would be charged. Also, if property owners need this service, they would be charged the same. Since no quorum was present, a vote was not possible.
- Surplus of Public Works/Utilities Property – Public Works/Utilities Director Billie Poole submitted several items to the Board seeking approval to surplus. Director Poole provided pictures of the proposed surplus items with description and estimated value. Board members reviewed the information, and a **motion** was made by Commissioner Templin to approve the items for surplus; **all in favor. Motion carried.**
- Well Repairs – The well across the road from Town Hall is in need of major repairs. These repairs will cost a minimum of \$20,000. It is likely the cost will be even more when the pump is pulled up.

REPORTS

- Financial Reports – December 2021 monthly reports were provided for review.
 - o Tax Report
 - o Budget vs. Actual
- Fire Department Report – Monthly call reports provided. The Fire Truck is paid off as of December 2021. In the near future, seven (7) fire hydrants will be replaced, and 14 valves will be replaced so that when there is a leak, water to the affected hydrant can be shut off without shutting off water to the entire town. No further comments.
- Public Works/Utility Department Reports – Filed in the Clerk's Office. The town's dump truck is out of service and as such, there is a lot of yard debris (leaves and limbs) about the town that still needs to be collected. Once the truck is repaired, yard debris collection will begin. Public Works/Utilities Director Poole recommends that the town purchase a trailer with sides to haul leaves and to be used as a backup. The trailer will cost approximately \$14,000.00. Mayor Butler advised that the funds are available in the Capital Outlay Fund; therefore, no vote is necessary. However, the Board agreed with the purchase.
- Sheriff's Report – December 2021 report provided for review. No further comments.

PUBLIC COMMENT – None noted

ADJOURNMENT – With no further business, Mayor Pro-Tem Bennett made a **motion** to adjourn; **all in favor. Motion carried.** Meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.



 Alice Butler, Mayor



 Tammy Faircloth, Deputy Clerk