#### **Council Meeting**

The Town Council of the Town of Ware Shoals held a Council Meeting on February 16, 2021 at 6:30 pm. Those present were: Mayor Horne, Councilman Powell, Councilman Leagans, Councilwoman Walters, Councilwoman Jackson, and Councilman Ross. Councilman Boles was not present.

Also, present were Randee Beasley, Town Clerk/Treasurer.

Councilman Leagans began the meeting with Prayer.

## **Minutes of the Meeting**

#### **Approval of Minutes**

Mayor Horne asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes of the following meetings:

January 19, 2021, January 26, 2021 and February 1, 2021

**Action:** Councilman Jackson made the motion to approve minutes seconded by Councilman Leagans. The motion was approved unanimously

#### Water/Sewer Update - L&L Presentation

See attachment # 1 & 2

#### **Committee Reports**

#### Fire Committee - Councilwoman Walters, Chairman

See attachment #3

**Action:** Allow Chief Boyter to explore options to sell the fire truck that is no longer in service.

#### Police Committee - Mayor Horne, Chairman

See attachment #4

## Properties/Public Works Committee - Councilman Boles, Chairman

**Action:** Motion to not renew contract with lease and give 30 days to vacate building. The motion was approved unanimously.

**Action:** Motion to put the Flatbed Truck out for bid. Truck will be sold as is. The motion was approved unanimously.

See attachment #5

#### Youth/Communities Committee - Councilman Ross, Chairman

See attachment # 6

#### <u>History/Tourism Committee - Councilman Powell, Chairman</u>

**Action:** Committee made the motion to allow the History/Tourism Committee to use the Old Police Station as a temporary museum. The motion was approved unanimously.

#### Administrative Committee - Councilwoman Jackson, Chairman

See attachment #8

# Water/Sewer Committee - Councilman Leagans, Chairman

See attachment # 9

#### Discuss and Review Delinquent Fee of Water Bills

Mayor Horne said this item was no longer needed; council agreed

# **Public Comments:**

Calvin Culbertson – Trees behind Majic Tyme shouldn't be brought down as they provide protection from being polluted. Citizens have brought this up in a previous meeting. Councilman Ross said that Youth/Community Committee has been perusing grant funding to cut the trees and a trail around amphitheater.

Calvin Culbertson – Advised Police Committee to review the outstanding fine. If the criminals can't pay, and are in good health, they should be made to do community service and clean up the town. Culbertson estimated about 80,000.00 is owed in past due fines.

Calvin Culbertson – Industrial Recruiting. Calvin said we should recruit commercial. Offer free water/sewer/or free taxes. Mayor Horne said there are some bits on a large area of land near the end of town.

# Executive Session: Discussion on a release/retention/discipline of employees in the Water/Sewer Department. FOIA Section 30-4-40 Personnel. Council may take action after.

Councilman Powell made the motion to enter executive session, seconded by Councilman Ross.

Councilman Leagans made the motion to exit executive session, seconded by Councilman Walters.

**Motion:** Water/Sewer Committee made the motion hire Willie Gilchrist Jr. to fill a part time position with in the Water/Sewer Committee. All voted in favor.

# Executive Session: Discussion on a release/retention/discipline of employees in the Police Department. FOIA Section 30-4-40 Personnel. Council may take action after.

**Motion:** Police Committee made the motion to promote Sgt. Davis to Lieutenant. Motion was approved unanimously.

# Executive Session: Negotiation of an agreement to acquire and easement interest in real estate with the town to accommodate the construction of a proposed wastewater collection line. FOIA Section 30-4-40 Real Estate. Council may take action after.

Councilman Jackson made the motion to enter executive session, seconded by Councilman Ross.

Councilman Leagans made the motion to exit executive session, seconded by Councilman Jackson.

No action taken

Mayor Horne made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilman Ross seconded the motion, motion approved

#### Attachments:

- 1. L&L PowerPoint
- 2. L&L Information sheet
- 3. Fire Committee Minutes
- 4. Police Committee Minutes
- 5. Properties/Public Works Committee Minutes
- 6. Youth/Community Committee Minutes
- 7. History/Tourism Committee Minutes
- 8. Admin Committee Minutes
- 9. Water/Sewer Committee Minutes