

Council Meeting

The Town Council of the Town of Ware Shoals held a Council Meeting on August 17, 2021 at 6:30 pm. Those present were: Mayor Scott Horne, Councilman Powell, Councilman Boles, Councilman Leagans, Councilwoman Walters, Councilwoman Jackson, and Councilman Ross.

Also, present was 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:

July 20, 2021 and July 22, 2021 Called Council

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

2019-2020 Audit Presentation – Highsmith & Highsmith

Clerk/Treasurer, Randee Beasley, stated that due to the weather Highsmith would not be attending the meeting but they would prepare a digital presentation that can be shared with council.

Penny Sales Tax Update – Josh Skinner

Josh Skinner, Capital Sales Tax Coordinator, presented council with an update on the Penny Sales Tax. As of date, all 19 projects are being projected for 100% funding. He gave a handout that showed projections. Mr. Skinner also answered Council's questions about the Katherine Hall Project which is slated as #18. Skinner informed council that changes can be made to the project as long as they still fall within the objective of the project which is "The Rehabilitation of Katherine Hall". He said that the funds can not be used towards another project or even to demolish Katherine Hall.

See attachment #1

Yard of the Month – Marshall Webster

Former council member Marshall Webster presented the Yard of the Month Winners with the yard sign. Winners were 35 Smith St. John Tharp and 4 Dogwood Ln Lynn Walker.

Public Comments

No public comments

Committee Reports

Police Committee – Mayor Horne, Chairman

See attachment #2

Properties/Public Works Committee – Councilman Boles, Chairman

See attachment #3

Fire Committee – Councilwoman Walter Chairman

No meeting this month – Chief was in Classes

Youth/Communities Committee – Councilman Bryan Ross, Chairman

See attachment #4

History/Tourism Committee – Councilman Michael Powell, Chairman

See attachment #5

Administrative Committee – Councilwoman Jackson, Chairman

See attachment #6

Water/Sewer Committee – Councilman Leagans, Chairman

See attachment #7

Motion: Enter preliminary engineering agreement with Dunn & Shirley for a project for Honea Path Sewer Line. Motion was approved unanimously.

This Project will entail Dunn & Shirley researching a solution to the debris that is flowing into the Honea Path Pump Station and causing malfunctions and pump break downs. Dunn & Shirley will also search for grant funding and assist in writing for such grants. Formal agreement will be signed at a later date.

Motion: Committee brought the motion to join the SCRWAN. This is a resource pooling group that will allow members to use other members water/sewer equipment in emergency situations. Motion was approved with a six to one vote. Mayor Horne voted against motion.

Executive Session: Discuss the release/retention/discipline of employees in the Public Works Department. FOIA Section 30-4-40 Personnel.

Councilman Powell presented the motion to enter Executive Session with a second from Councilwoman Jackson. Motion passed unanimously.

Councilman Ross presented the motion to exit Executive Session with a second from Councilman Leagans. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion: Properties/Public Works Committee presented the motion to hire Jimmy Hughes as the Public Works Department Supervisor. The motion passed with a majority vote. Councilman Boles opposed the vote, Councilwoman Walters abstained from voting.

Adjournment –

Councilwoman Jackson made the motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilman Leagans. The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted:

Randee Beasley, Town Clerk/Treasurer Approved: _____

Attachments

1. Capital Sales Project quarterly update
2. Police Committee minutes
3. Properties/Public Works Committee minutes
4. Youth/Communities Committee minutes
5. History/Tourism Committee minutes
6. Admin Committee minutes
7. Water/Sewer Committee Minutes
8. Preliminary Engineering Agreement
9. Fire report from Chief