

## **Council Meeting**

The Town Council of the Town of Ware Shoals held a Council Meeting on November 18, 2021 at 6:30 pm. Those present were: Mayor Scott Horne, Councilman Powell, 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**

**Action:** Councilman Leagans made the motion to amend the agenda and add “Public Comments” to the agenda, motion was seconded by Councilman Ross. All in favor

Reading of Public Comments Statement was done by Mayor Horne

There were no public comments.

### **Approval of Minutes**

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

October 19, 2021 Council Meeting, November 1, 2021 Called Council Meeting, November 4, 2021 Called Council Meeting.

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

### **Ordinance 21-03 – Rezoning 7 South Greenwood Ave, Second and Final Reading**

Mayor Horne briefly explained the nature of the ordinance as this was a second reading.

**Action:** Councilwoman Walters made the motion to adopt Ordinance 21-03 Rezoning 7 South Greenwood Ave, motion was seconded by Councilwoman Jackson. Motion was approved unanimously.

### **Ordinance 21-04 Repeal and Replace Business License First Reading by Title**

### **Ordinance 21-05 Business License Standardization Ordinance, First Reading by Title**

Clerk/Treasurer Randee Beasley reviewed the ordinances 21-04 and 21-05. The ordinance is needed due to the Business License Standardization act that was passed by the state. MASC wrote the model ordinance in which we are using. Once this ordinance is passed, we will be in compliance with the new laws. Ms. Beasley did state that after the MASC reviewed the current rates, the Town would need to adjust so that we are revenue neutral.

**Action:** Councilman Powel made the motion to pass Ordinance 21-04, seconded by councilwoman Walters, all in favor.

**Action:** Councilwoman Walters made the motion to pass Ordinance 21-05, seconded by Councilwoman Jackson, all in favor.

### **Teresa Rappley – Request to Open Arcade in old Fred’s Building**

Ms. Rappley did not show up to the meeting, however, Ms. Beasley explained to council the conversation, she had with Ms. Rappley.

Ms. Rappley and, son, Travis Shell's intentions are to open an arcade/lounge along the lines of Dave and Busters. She asked to be on the agenda so that she could get Councils advise as to whether or not the business could be opened.

Mayor Horne stated that Ware Shoals needs some kind of night life, but would be cautious given previous history with other business Ms. Rappley's son has had in town.

### **Committee Reports**

#### **Police Committee – Mayor Horne, Chairman**

See attachment # 1

#### **Properties/Public Works Committee – Councilman Boles, Chairman**

Councilman Boles was absent, no other member had notes to deliver.

Councilman Leagans asked the Committee for status update on PW Dept moving to the old Fire Depart and the painting of the floor. Councilman Ross – the department has officially moved; the floor will not be painted as of right now.

#### **Fire Committee – Councilwoman Walter Chairman**

Fire Department voted on Officers this month. Greg Lindley will start as Fire Chief on Jan. 3, 2021. Bryan Butler will remain Assistant Chief. Chief Boyter did reach out to Commissioner Holmes to see if there would be a conflict of interest being that Greg Lindley is a full-time employee with the Laurens County Fire Department. Chief Boyter believes it will not be an issue.

Lack of new Volunteers is causing concern for the future of the Department.

See attachment #2

#### **Youth/Communities Committee – Councilman Bryan Ross, Chairman**

See attachment #3 &4

**Motion:** Councilman Ross made the motion approve the quote from Dean Hunter and Terracon for the abatement of the Bay Area pending source of funding. Motion was seconded by Councilwoman Walters. All in favor.

Clerk/Treasurer will research if ARP funds can be used for this expense.

Next step will be heating and cooling.

#### **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: Councilman Leagans made the motion to use Robert Lake 4<sup>th</sup> as the ‘As Needed’ lawyer. Councilwoman Walters seconded. Motion was approved unanimously.

**Executive Session: Discuss Contract between Town Council and Engineer for Carnell Sewer Line. FOIA Section 30-4-40 Contractual Matter. Council may take action after.**

Councilwoman Jackson made the motion to enter Executive Session, seconded by Councilman Ross. Motion approved unanimously.

Councilman Leagans made the motion to exit Executive Session, seconded by Councilman Ross. Motion approved unanimously.

No action taken after executive session.

**Adjournment –**

Councilman Powell made the motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilwoman Jackson. Motion was approved unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted:

Randee Beasley, Town Clerk/Treasurer Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

Attachement

1. Police Committee Minutes
2. Fire Committee Minutes
3. Youth/Community Events Minutes
4. Dean Hunter Abatement Quote
5. History/Tourism
6. Administrative Committee Minutes
7. Water/Sewer Committee Minutes