TOWN OF TRION
COUNCIL MEETING
May 23, 2024

COUNCIL PRESENT: Mayor Lanny Thomas, Jeff Wilson, Don Harris, Becky McWhorter, and Dustin Rosser. Mickey McGraw was not present.

VISITORS PRESENT: Jason Boyd, Brandon Veatch, Jason Espy, Brandon Croy, David Gilleland, David Lowe, and Missy Duncan.

Mayor Thomas opened the meeting and said the prayer. Then, Don Harris led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Thomas asked that the Agenda, March Minutes, and February and March Financial Reports be approved by general consent. All were in agreement.

Old Business:

Mayor Thomas advised that we had no old business.

New Business:

WWTP: Council Approval of new hire, Brandon Veatch.

Mayor Thomas advised that we need approval of an employee and Jason Boyd has presented to you Brandon Veatch. Don Harris made a motion to approve Brandon Veatch as the new employee. This motion received a second from Becky McWhorter. Passed unanimously.

Library: Matching the already approved grant of $10,000 to replace existing doors with new ADA doors.

Mayor Thomas advised that the library has applied for and received a grant of $10,000.00 dollars to replace the existing doors with new ADA compliance doors. I am asking the Council to match up to $10,000.00 of SPLOST money to help ensure that they have enough money to purchase and install these doors. Jeff Wilson made a motion to match up to $10,000.00 to the library with a second from Dustin Rosser. Passed unanimously.

Cemetery: Expansion at West Hill Cemetery and price adjustment per lot.

Mayor Thomas let Brandon Croy explain that we are running out of burial plots. We have put a seize on the lots only allowing two graves for someone who has had death. I would like to expand and survey the areas close to Sue Hayes Lane and up behind the cemetery currently. We also need to look at raising the price to $1,000.00 per lot to help

put us in line with the other cemeteries in the aera. Once we have opened up the new sections, we can remove the hold of only selling to someone with a death but limit the number of graves we sell. Becky McWhorter made a motion with a second from Don Harris to follow Brandon Croy's recommendation. Passed unanimously.

June Council Regular Meeting: Change date from June 27 to June 25.

Mayor Thomas advised that myself, Mickey McGraw, and Missy Duncan will be out of town attending the GMA Annual Convention. So, we need to move the normal meeting from June 27th to June 25th. Don Harris made a motion to move the meeting and Dustin Rosser gave this motion a second. Passed unanimously.

Executive Session for Real Estate and Personnel:

At 6:25 p.m., Don Harris made a motion to go into Executive Session with a second from Jeff Wilson. Passed unanimously.

At 6:49 p.m., Don Harris made a motion to come out of Executive Session with a second from Dustin Rosser. Passed unanimously.

Mayor Thomas advised that no action was taken.

Council and Mayor Comments:

Jeff Wilson – I want to tell Brandon Croy and David Gilleland that was the best Boston Butt that I have ever eaten. It was great. Y'all have done a wonderful job.

Becky McWhorter –I want to tell everybody not to forget Veterans on Saturday. I will let Don Harris tell you all about the ceremony. Everybody remember to come out on Saturday.

Dustin Rosser – I appreciate everything all you guys do.

Don Harris – I would like to thank everybody that helped with smoking the Boston butts on Saturday. Also, I want to let everybody know that this Saturday at 1 pm we will have the Veterans Ceremony on Memorial Day. We will decide by tomorrow at 2 if we will get to have it at the Veterans Memorial Park or if we have to move it to the recreation center because of rain. Hopefully the weather will be good.

Lanny Thomas – I have sent you several emails. One concerning that I have been honored to be selected on the Georgia City Solutions Ambassadors list for District 1. Me and the mayor from Cartersville is on the list for our district. Also, Today I got word that I am the First Vice President for District 1 GMA's Officers for 2024-2025.

At 6:52 p.m., a motion was made by Don Harris and seconded by Becky McWhorter to adjourn. Passed unanimously.

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