

February 10, 2020
Town Hall Meeting

1. The meeting started at 6:00 pm. Mayor Archie B. Hicks, Jr. was present along with the following Commissioners: Larry Adams, Neal Nichols, Mae Luffman, George Burns and Wanda Johnson.
2. Neal Nichols was sworn in as a Commissioner to fill out the term for Kyle Matthews. Mayor Hicks stated that Commissioner Nichols would be over the Police Department as Commissioner Matthews was before he resigned.
3. The January 13, 2020 minutes were approved as written.
4. PUBLIC COMMENT: William Fletcher at 212 Fairground Road said the town had a water leak at his property and was told that the sidewalk and street would be fixed. It has been a couple of months and nothing has been repaired. Gavin Brannon said he had told Mr. Fletcher that when someone was in town working on sidewalks and streets that they would get it fixed. The town gets all the repairs fixed at the same time to save money. Mr. Fletcher also said that the old mill building needed repairs made to the roof and if the town was not going to do the repairs, they needed to sell it. Mark Hobson stated that chick-fil-a had contacted him about finding a building so they could set up to sell their products.
5. Janice Hicks from the Planning/Zoning Board said that the Community Strategic Plan expires in 2020 and asked if the board wanted to extend the plan or to rewrite it. Christy Kaplan's term on the Planning/Zoning has expired and she has moved out of town. Susan Venable is an alternate on the board currently. Andy Matthews resigned from the board and they need someone to take his place. The Planning/Zoning Board also needs two alternates to serve. Commissioner Adams made a motion to suspend the rules to vote on these suggestions. Commissioner Johnson seconded. The motion carried 5-0. Commissioner Adams made a motion to extend the original Community Strategic Plan for 5 years until 2025. Commissioner Johnson seconded. The motion carried 5-0. Commissioner Adams made a motion to move Susan Venable from serving on the Planning/Zoning Board as alternate to regular member of the board. Commissioner Johnson seconded. The motion carried 5-0.
6. There will be a Special Called Meeting on Feb. 24, 2020 at 6 pm with the Town Board and the East Bend Town Square Committee.
7. Mark Hobson asked the board if he could have the use of town hall for his entertainers to use when they had the Cruise Nights. The Board gave him permission to use the building.
8. Commissioner Johnson made a motion to use Gibson & Company, P.A. to do the audit for the town. Commissioner Burns seconded. The motion carried 5-0.
9. Commissioner Adams made a motion to approve the annual software support agreement with Southern Software from May 1, 2021 and ends April 30, 2022. Commissioner Luffman seconded. The motion carried 5-0.
10. The Board decided not to have any special water rates for agricultural uses.
11. Commissioner Adams made a motion to give free water to the East Bend Volunteer Fire Dept. at their training site. Commissioner Burns seconded. The motion carried 5-0.

12. Chief Shore gave a police report. He also stated that a car had been stolen from Hobson Performance Cars lot.
13. Commissioner Burns made a motion to approve all bills and any that comes in until the next meeting. Commissioner Luffman seconded. The motion carried 5-0.
14. Commissioner Burns made a motion to go in executive session about award and personnel issues. Commissioner Luffman seconded. The motion carried 5-0.
15. After coming out of executive session Commissioner Luffman made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Burns seconded. The motion carried 5-0.

Mar. 9, 2020
Date

Archie B. Hicks, Jr.
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Vickie J. Matthews
Vickie J. Matthews, Town Clerk/Administrator