

November 13, 2023

Town Hall Meeting

1. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm. Mayor James W. Dunn, Sr. was present along with the following Commissioners: Dawn E. Hobson, Neal Nichols, Larry W. Adams and Edward G. Venable. Wanda S. Johnson was unable to attend.
2. The October 9, 2023 minutes were approved as written.
3. The October 9, 2023 closed session minutes were approved as written.
4. The November 8, 2023 Special Called meeting minutes were approved as written.
5. The November 8, 2023 Special Called meeting closed session minutes were approved as written.
6. PUBLIC COMMENT: Ronnie Fletcher thanked Gavin for putting up the flags for Veterans Day and the Chief and his department for all their hard work. Alex Nelson thanked the officer that came to the park and responded to a situation in the park.
7. Commissioner Adams made a motion to approve Attorney Kolby Epley as our new Town Attorney. Commissioner Nichols seconded. The motion carried 4-0.
8. Commissioner Adams made a motion to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement For Access To The Mobile Cad Terminal Data Network. Commissioner Venable seconded. The motion carried 4-0. The cost for this is \$94.75 monthly and \$3.00 monthly for every mobile license. The Police Department will need three mobile licenses. This will start on January 1, 2024.
9. Commissioner Nichols made a motion to approve the Record Retention Policy: Documents Created or Maintained Pursuant to the ARP/CSLFRF Award. Commissioner Hobson seconded. The motion carried 4-0.
10. Commissioner Nichols made a motion to approve the Conflict-of-Interest Policy Applicable to Contracts and Subawards of Unit Supported by Federal Financial Assistance. Commissioner Hobson seconded. The motion carried 4-0.
11. Commissioner Adams made a motion to pay the bill for the new lock box at the town square in the amount of \$293.56. Commissioner Nichols seconded. The motion carried 4-0.
12. Commissioner Adams made a motion to leave the damaged pole at the

town square as it is at this time, but to keep the gate closed unless there is an event scheduled and to take the bags off the handicapped parking spaces. Commissioner Nichols seconded. The motion carried 4-0.

13. Commissioner Nichols made a motion to approve the 1-year quote for Unitrends Support Renewal in the amount of 1,470.63. He also wanted us to look into other options for next year. Commissioner Adams seconded. The motion carried 4-0.
14. Commissioner Nichols made a motion to suspend the rules to talk about repealing an ordinance designating the friends of East Bend Town Square, Inc. as operator of East Bend Town Square. Commissioner Adams seconded. The motion carried 4-0.
15. Commissioner Nichols made a motion to repeal an ordinance designating the Friends of East Bend Town Square Inc. as operator of East Bend Town Square, A Municipal Park. Commissioner Adams seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0.
16. Commissioner Adams made a motion that the two alternates on the Planning Board be moved up to regular members to fill the two open spots. Commissioner Venable seconded. The motion carried 4-0.
17. Commissioner Nichols made a motion that Douglas Johnson be made an alternate on the Planning Board. Commissioner Adams seconded. The motion carried 4-0.
18. Commissioner Hobson made a motion that Alex Nelson be made an alternate on the Planning Board. The motion died from lack of a second.
19. Chief Shore stated that we have so much junk in the building where we keep the police car and trash truck that it needs to be cleaned out. Commissioner Nichols said he would help if he needed him but to check the retention schedule and destroy all documents older than as indicated on the schedule. We may have to hire a document shredding truck to take care of the paperwork. Everyone agreed with this and did not need to see what was being destroyed.
20. Gavin Brannon has been working on street signs, we have ordered one from a new company at a much cheaper price. We want to see what it is like before ordering more. Commissioner Nichols made a motion to let Vickie Matthews made the decision of where to order the new signs and to order 10 at a time and then see what else needs to be done. Commissioner Hobson seconded. The motion carried 4-0.
21. Chief Shore said that everything was going well in town. After a meeting

- with the County and other Police Departments it was suggested that everyone purchase the radios together to receive a better discount. They suggested that they get Motorola radios. They worked better with the new system. It was decided to hold off at this time on the purchase of radios.
22. Commissioner Nichols made a motion to approve the bills and any that comes in until the next meeting. Commissioner Venable seconded. The motion carried 4-0.
23. Commissioner Hobson made a motion to go into closed session for personnel reasons. Commissioner Nichols seconded. The motion carried 4-0.
24. After coming out of closed session Commissioner Venable made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Hobson seconded. The motion carried 4-0.

Dec. 11, 2023

Date

James W. Dunn, Sr.

James W. Dunn, Sr. Mayor

Vickie J. Matthews

Vickie J. Matthews, Town Clerk/Administrator