

TOWN COUNCIL
MEETING
SEPTEMBER 12, 2016
7:00 PM

At a regular meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Exmore, Virginia, held in the Meeting Room of the J. Guy Lawson Municipal Building, 3305 Main Street, Exmore Virginia, on the 12th day of September, 2016, at 7:00 p.m.

Present:

Mayor Douglas Greer-Present
Vice-Mayor Thomas Lewis-Absent
Councilman G. W. Adkins--Present
Councilman Bradley Doughty-Present
Councilman Bryon Heaster-Present
Councilman John Metz-Present
Councilman Chase Sturgis-Present

STAFF PRESENT: Robert Duer, Ethel Parks, Chief DiMartino, Sgt. Zieger, Officer Brady, Mike Johnson.

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Mayor Greer. Mayor Greer established a quorum.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by the majority in attendance.

INVOCATION:

The Invocation was given by Mayor Greer.

Mr. Duer asked to have the Agenda amended, adding b. Speed Study on Broadwater Road, to New Business and to hear #11. Public Works Report, after #4. Citizen Comment. Councilman Heaster made the Motion to amend the agenda. The Motion was seconded by Councilman Adkins and was passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING – AUGUST 1, 2016:

Councilman Heaster made the Motion to approve the Minutes of the regular Council meeting of August 1, 2016 as presented. The Motion was seconded by Councilman Metz and was passed unanimously.

CITIZEN COMMENT (LIMIT OF 3 MINUTES PER SPEAKER):

There was no one signed up to speak.

PUBLIC WORKS REPORT – MR. JOHNSON:

Mr. Johnson reported 54 service calls during the month of August which included 14 turn-offs, 5 leaks, 12 turn-ons, 3 pressure tests, 5 re-reads, 14 Miss Utility calls, and 1 emergency call. Brush and limbs were picked up on August 11th and the last furniture and appliance pick-up was completed on August 18th. Trash collection is averaging approximately 21,000 pounds per week. There were 715 water meters read and they performed the blow offs on August 16th. Mr. Johnson noted that they have installed 473 new water meters.

TOWN MANAGER’S REPORT – ROBERT G. DUER:

Mr. Duer noted that the building at the Park is nearing completion and we are waiting for a bid on the stage. Exmore’s promotional website is bringing visitors to town. Mr. Duer informed the Mayor and Council that he, Mr. Dukes and Draper Aden representatives will meet with the Virginia Housing & Community Development Authority on September 19th in an effort to obtain funding for our upcoming

sewer project. Upcoming events include the Town-Wide Yard sale this coming Saturday, the Car Show on October 15th at the Park and the Rotary Oyster Roast on October 21st. There are rumors that Royal Farms will be closing in January for 3 months for renovations. He noted that this will affect our Sales Tax portion of our budget. Mr. Duer said that we need to have a plaque on the building at the Park recognizing the Nordstrom's for their donation of the land for the Park.

FINANCIAL REPORT – ROBERT G. DUER:

Mr. Duer reported the net income for the month of August was \$47,565 and the net income for the year-to-date is \$33,560. He said our financial status is looking good but we do have a lot of expenses in the future.

OLD BUSINESS:

ABANDONED VEHICLED ORDINANCE:

Mr. Duer noted that the Town attorney has reviewed the ordinance and recommends that they move forward with it by holding a Public Hearing before voting on it. The Mayor and Council agreed on holding the Public Hearing on October 3, 2016 at 6:45 pm.

UPDATE ON SEWER PROJECT – MR. DUER:

A soil study has been completed on the New Road property and the Health Department is happy with the results.

UPDATE ON WELL PROJECT – MR. DUER:

The Office of Drinking Water has not released the project as yet so that we can go to bid on the well project.

WATER/SEWER RESPONSIBILITY:

No report

CIGARETTE TAX:

No report

NEW BUSINESS:

MULTI-PURPOSE BUILDING USE POLICY:

Mr. Duer said that he has included in the Council packets a form that Cape Charles uses for their Park Facilities. He encouraged the Council to read over it and use it as a guide to build our own agreement for the use of our Park Facilities. They agreed on a Work Session on September 28, 2016 at 6:30 pm.

SPEED STUDY ON BROADWATER ROAD:

Mr. Duer stated that from the old Delmarva Power Building to the back side of Ace on Broadwater Road the speed limit is 55 mph. There have been numerous complaints and he would like to have the speed lowered to 25 mph but needs the Council's vote to have VDOT conduct a speed study. Councilman Sturgis made the Motion to move forward with the speed study. The motion was seconded by Councilman Heaster and was passed unanimously.

ZONING – MR. DUER:

Mr. Duer reported that the deadline for the person(s) living in the camper trailer has passed and our attorney is handling the legal aspects for the Town.

POLICE REPORT – CHIEF DIMARTINO:

Chief DiMartino reported that the officers are doing well and are very busy. The fines are coming in and grants are up to date. They have received the helmets and shields and the First Aid Kits were purchased on the Byrne Grant. He noted that he is waiting to hear from the Sheriff about the vendor or software company, of which they will be using for the e-summons.

UTILITY REPORT – MR. DUER:

Mr. Duer noted that we pumped 4.3 million gallons of water during the month of August.

CITIZEN COMMENT (LIMIT OF 3 MINUTES PER SPEAKER):

SCHEDULED MEETINGS AND CLOSINGS:

TOWN COUNCIL WORK SESSION – WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2016 @ 6:30 pm

PUBLIC HEARING – MONDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2016 @ 6:45 pm

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING – MONDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2016 @ 7pm

ADJOURNMENT:

Councilman Adkins made the Motion to adjourn the meeting. The Motion was seconded by Councilman Metz. The Motion was passed unanimously and the meeting was adjourned.

Douglas Greer, Mayor

Ethel Parks, Town Clerk