## **SEPTEMBER 2023 MINUTES**

Attendees: Mayor Joe Slaton; Council Members: Lauren Tiger, Austin Hedden and Harry Baughn; Town Clerk: Suzanne Hedden; Zoning Administrator, Ron Wallace

Others: Lorraine Bennett (Clay County Progress), Shelegh Whitney, Kristy Carter (TPD, Inc.), Gary Ward, Sandy Zimmerman, Lexie Parker, Joanna Atkisson

Mayor Slaton called the meeting to order at 7:15 p.m. (immediately following the Public Hearing).

Ms. Tiger made a motion to table the discussion pertaining to Short-Term Rentals; Mr. Baughn seconded the motion; motion approved.

Ms. Tiger made a motion to approve the agenda; Mr. Baughn seconded the motion; motion approved.

Ms. Christy Carter with TPD, Inc. (represents the company hired by the Department of Transportation to develop a plan for the Bike/Pedestrian Trail) presented a very interesting report concerning the project purpose and goals as developed with the Hayesville Moves Project Steering Committee. At the end of her presentation, Mr. Hedden made a motion to approve the Bike/Pedestrian Trail Plan; Ms. Tiger seconded the motion; motion approved.

#### **MINUTES**

# **August 2023 Town Council Meeting Minutes**

Mr. Hedden made a motion to approve the August 2023 Town Council meeting minutes as written; Ms. Tiger seconded the motion; motion approved.

# FINANCE REPORTS

### August 2023 Balance Sheet and Profit & Loss Statement – reports are attached.

Mr. Hedden made a motion to approve the Financial Reports; Mr. Baughn seconded the motion; motion approved. Ms. Hedden requested approval for a budget amendment (increase of \$157.31; line item 54340 Fire Service Contract). Mr. Baughn made a motion to approve the amendment; Mr. Hedden seconded the motion; motion approved.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

Mayor Slaton presented a contract from LilyPad EV in the amount of \$13,777.17 for installation of two (2) EV stations at Town Hall. Mr. Hedden made a motion for the mayor to sign, and, proceed with the contract; Ms. Tiger seconded the motion; motion approved.

# **NEW BUSINESS**

Mayor Slaton asked the Council members for approval of Bess Moffatt (replacing Rachel Baughn) and Lynn Myers (replacing Tighe White) to be appointed to the Planning and Zoning Board. Ms. Tiger made a motion to approve both; Mr. Hedden seconded the motion; motion approved.

The Mayor and Zoning Administrator Wallace explained a recent clean-up on Curtis Street where grass was covering the paved street and complaints had been received concerning the situation. They requested approved from Council members to utilize these services on a "as needed" basis. Mr. Hedden made a motion to grant approval; Mr. Baughn seconded the motion; motion approved.

Mayor Slaton informed Council members that our Third Annual Clean-up will be October 10-17, with a dumpster provided for Town of Hayesville residents. He stated that letters will be mailed to residents providing information.

# **ZONING ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT**

Mr. Wallace's report is attached.

### **MAYOR'S REPORT**

Mayor Slaton's report is attached.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Ms. Zimmerman reported on: Steins and Wine Around the Square – more vendors are expected this year; HHI plans to help with bridge completion; provided hand-out containing information presented at the Small Town Main Street 10-year Celebration.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:22 p.m. Ms. Tiger made a motion to adjourn; Mr. Hedden seconded the motion.

Joe Slaton, Mayor

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