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**Town Council Meeting**

**April 4, 2023**

**Members**

Mayor James Hudnall Present

Recorder Jessica Morris Present

Ashley Young Present

Mark Harrison Absent

Kenny Barton Present

Poncho Roark Absent

Bill Holcomb Present

Meeting Called to order by Mayor Hudnall.

Roll Call.

Minutes for March 2023 Meeting passed out to all council members. Motion made to approve the minutes by Councilwoman Young, seconded by Councilman Barton. Motion Passed.

The Financial Report for March 2023 were passed out to all council members. Motion made to approve the Financial Report by Councilwoman Young, seconded by Councilman Barton. Motion Passed.

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**Old Business**

Sewer update on Terminations/ Town Clerk Jessica Morris stated that in March we sent out 57 Termination Letters for $7,880.78 and collected $4,303.34

Ordinance Committee Update/ No one present from the Ordinance Committee.

Skid Steer Bids/ There was one bid, John Eskew placed a bid for $300.00. Councilman Barton did not want to accept the bid. It needs some work done and doesn’t currently run and hasn’t for at least three years. Needs tires and a fuel pump. There are no current plans to fix it. A motion was made by Councilman Holcomb to accept the bid for $300, seconded by Councilwoman Young. Councilman Barton was opposed, Recorder Morris was in favor, motion passed.

**New Business**

Eva Tucker spoke to the Council about doing a Children’s Fellowship Program this summer at the Community Center. She wants to do it on Tuesdays every week around 12-2pm and would like to use the Community Center free of charge. She would also like to get the someone from the Cedar Grove Fire Department and the town Policeman come and talk to the kids. A motion was made to let her use the Community Center free of charge for the Fellowship Program by Councilman Barton, seconded by Recorder Morris. Motion passed.

Sewer Preventative Maintenance/ The Mayor is waiting to hear from someone with more details, this will be tabled to a later meeting,

Housing Ordinance/ The ordinance needs to be updated to reflect that the Property Owner will be responsible for the fines that occur from violations of the ordinance. We will have the final vote at the next meeting.

Triton Drawdown/ Bruce Mullins from the Regional Intergovernmental Council presented the Triton Drawdown for the Sewer Project. A motion was made to accept the drawdown and pay Triton by Councilman Barton, seconded by Councilwoman Young. Motion passed.

The ballfield has a large water hole near second base that needs attention. We received an estimate for the repairs of $3,900. A motion was made by Councilman Barton to use the ARPA money to fix the second base drainage problem at the ballfield for $3,900, seconded by Councilwoman Young. Motion passed.

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Gordy Coleman sent estimates for a press box at the ballfield. Gordy couldn’t make it to the meeting to answer questions. This will be tabled until the May meeting.

Recorder Morris added that Reed’s Paving reported there would be a date available for the resurfacing of the Basketball Court as soon as the asphalt plants open.

Councilman Harrison sent a suggestion of a Cedar Grove Town Yard Sale on May 6, 2023. A motion was made by Recorder Morris to have a Cedar Grove Town Yard Sale on May 6, 2023, seconded by Councilwoman Young. Motion passed.

Councilman Harrison also sent a suggestion of a Town of Cedar Grove Fall Festival. We would like to put a committee together for planning.

Councilman Barton stated that there were a few more bids coming in for the Sewer Jetter, which should be available for the next meeting. He also mentioned that there was a man coming to look at the playground on Friday April 7, 2023 to take pictures to tell us what parts we need for the repairs.

Mayor Hudnall told the Council that the principal of the school had contacted him about the Town purchasing a plaque for a special presentation at the school. Councilman Barton made a motion to get a plaque for a presentation at the school, seconded by Councilwoman Young. Motion passed.

John Eskew wants the Town to cut down some trees behind his house that were killed by a pump on his river bank. Kenneth Barton said he would have the Town crew take care of it.

Councilwoman Young asked when the contract with the Humane Society would begin. An unleashed dog aggressively came at her kids. We budgeted it for the next fiscal year in July 2023. Councilman Barton made a motion to go ahead and contact them before July, seconded by Councilman Holcomb. Motion passed.

James Clark told the Council there is a woman that lives at Mile Branch who stands on her porch all day yelling, cussing and threatening people. Chief Cox stated that he, the Sheriff’s Department & the State Police have been there talking to her before and she isn’t threatening or cussing anyone. James said he would get video proof if he sees cussing or threatening in the future.

No further business Councilman Holcomb made motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilman Barton. Motion passed, meeting adjourned.