

MAGNOLIA COUNCIL MEETING

Minutes

Monday, November 11, 2019

6:00 PM

Magnolia Fire Hall

Present: Mayor Jim Frazier, Scott Fowler, Buck Dougherty, Brian Howard and Ashton McLaughlin was excused. Dustan Russum, Ralph Satterfield and Diane Cahall were present. Guests: Tammy Graw and Nicole Vautard from the Orchard Church. Tammy and Nicole explained to Council that the Orchard Church would like to hold a tree lighting and holiday event on the town lot. The Church will provide volunteers to do the decorating and setting up. They will use any town lights that work and the Magnolia Fire Company offered their lights. The ladies have a meeting at the Church tonight and would like to have the town's permission to hold the event on December 7th if approved. Mayor Frazier made a motion to approve the event and put the information on the towns' website. Buck Dougherty seconded the motion. Motion approved.

Additions/deletions to published agenda

The agenda was presented as published.

Council Minutes of previous meeting.

Brian Howard made a motion to accept the minutes of the October 14th Council meeting. James Frazier seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report

Diane Cahall presented the treasurer report and all invoices to be paid: Buck Dougherty made a motion to approve the report and to pay the bills. Brian Howard 2nd the motion. Motion carried.

Public Works Report

Dustan Russum presented the water report to Council. The town used 1,283,000 gallons of water during October 2019. Pump 2: 550,000 gallons. Pump 3: 733,000 gallons. Well levels: 24' and 25'. Pump 2 ran 44.7 hours, Pump 3 ran 35.9 hours. Chlorine average chlorine is 5.3 and Fluoride average is .8. Dustan and Scott Fowler met with Carrie regarding grant with Heather. Best solution is intersection old main under water tower. The oldest part of distribution is under and around the town hall, town hall to post office and West Walnut. 4" out of water beyond Thorn, go to the west of town hall and connect to 8" loop (currently a 6"). 1984 last upgrade to loop the line. West past Thorn, well run 8" new service to property line. Pressure will not change – just volume. In design phases they will bring in a set of preliminary plans. Duffield should be point of contact.

Ralph Satterfield presented the following report: Dressed flags as needed. Removed dead tree, pruned other ones of dead wood. Flushing showed heavy discoloration, school was back to normal on 11/10/19. Chlorine lower. Public meeting at Troop 3 on 11/25 at 6:30 pm to discuss traffic concerns in the area. Metal pipe in front of 9 N. Main badly bent last week; will get cut off shortly.

NEW BUSINESS:

Magnolia Furniture Complex:

Mayor Frazier advised Council that the Hub Group conducted a sound check on the property. The noise could be heard all over South Main Street. They spoke of installing 3/8" sheet rock and put paint back on top. Joseph Willey of Masten Real Estate is handling the sale of the property. This morning it was mentioned that there is interest in using the property for a storage facility.

Snow removal:

Council approved continuing to use Mid Hydro seeding for snow removal. Their phone number is: 302 423-3736.

Certificate of Insurance:

Any company that is not incorporated and performs work for the town must have a Certificate of Liability Insurance. For example: an LLC must provide this insurance certificate before beginning work.

Damaged Speed Sign

Ralph Satterfield reported that the State Sign Shop completed the repair; they work on electronic signs. The sign by the Furniture Store works on and off. He will continue to check on the sign. The crosswalk sign is damaged and the Thorn Street sign is spelled incorrectly. Ralph will clip the poles in front of the post office.

2020 Election

Buck Dougherty, Ashton McLaughlin and James Frazier are up for reelection. All three incumbents submitted their letters of intent. Mayor Frazier will post an update as to what occurred regarding election and provide information to John Moller at the Department of Elections.

OLD BUSINESS

Water on Roadway

Brian Howard advised that he sent Ashton photos on water on the roads.

MPO Traffic Study

Traffic Study on hold until bridge repair west of town in completed.

Code Enforcement

We received a building permit request from Doug Russum, 20 and 22 West Walnut. Mr. Russum also left drawing's of proposed work in the town hall door. Darlene Washburn sent a letter advising council of financial hardship. Holmes provided no response on 19 South Main.



Good of the Order:

Reminder: DeIDot meeting at 6:30 PM - Troop 3 on Nov. 25, 2019 regarding traffic problems in Magnolia.

Adjournment:

Scott Fowler made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:56 pm. Second by Brian Howard. Meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by,
Diane P. Cahall