

MAGNOLIA COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Monday, April 10, 2023

> Call to Order

Called at 6:02 PM

> Pledge of Allegiance

> Roll Call

Council members present; Jim Frazier, Scott Fowler, Ryan Clarke, Susanne Whitney and Buck Dougherty. Diane Cahall and Ralph Satterfield were present. Dustan Russum was absent.

> Minutes of Last Meeting

Approved as presented; motion by Ryan, second by Buck, motion carried.

> Treasurer's Report

Review of Diane's prepared report. Council reviewed the financial report, balances, and bills to be paid. Buck motioned to pay the bills, second by Ryan, motion carried. Diane advised Council that we received \$69,225.03 from the State for Fire Company reimbursement. Council discussed the FDIC Insurance for PNC Bank accounts over \$250,000. Susanne questioned whether the accounts are considered as one entity or each account separately. Diane will contact our PNC account representative Jason Wallace for clarification and will email response to council; to be continued. Diane had detailed conversation with Maria Bennett regarding written receipts for all water payments.

> Public Works/Infrastructure

a. Water System & Fire Hydrants: Dustan emailed water report to Scott, and council reviewed all water usage, fluoride/chlorine levels, and well levels.

Ralph Satterfield reported he had a pretty good flush, still have an area of West Walnut, will get tomorrow. Dressed flags a needed; replaced one. Ralph does not recommend waiting 3 mouths and wants to run water full blast. Scott advised not to run full blast. Jim stated we should advise residents when hydrants are being flushed (perhaps include information in water bills). Scott also said we should get the information out that we will have a better output once the wells are completed. Hydrant flushing should be the 2nd Tuesday of each month after 9:00 am. Southern Control does not communicate with council as well as Corrosion Control did in the past. Buck mentioned how full his water conditioner is after a flush (it will plug up his system). Perhaps we can create a list of things residents should do after a flushing, example: run outside spigots for a couple minutes. Etc.

- b. Delaware Drinking Water Revolving Fund: Mayor Frazier advised the Charter change has passed both the Senate and House and just is waiting for Governor's signature. Mayor Frazier and Diane will attend a Financial Well Project zoom meeting on April 18th. Greg advised the Town Planning Grant will be requested to the State; a purchase order has been issued; ½ paid by the State and ½ paid by Colon Bonini funds.
- c. Cross Connection Service No update.
- d. Lead Service Line Inventory: Inventory is required by October 2024 and the EPA will come down hard. It is a very extensive project involving 120 water vendors.
- e. Similar System Data Collection No update.
- f. Traffic Assessment: No update
- g. Curb Painting Scott Fowler received a quote from Straight Line: \$12,000. \$9,300 if no curb cleaning. Jim will get a price from Wilkinson.
- h. Transportation Improvement District (TID): Next meeting will be the end of April.
- i. DAFB Compatible Use Study Next meeting on April 13th.

New Business: no new business

Old Business

- a. Property and Code Enforcement: Buck noted the renters above the restaurant have a problem curbing their dogs. Messes everywhere. Also, discussed false real estate advertising on 32 W. Walnut.
- b. American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA): Mayor Frazier will report on June 1.
- c. T-Mobile/Sprint Contract Renewal: Mayor Frazier is waiting on contract from T-Mobile. He reported to T-Mobile that their building is falling apart and their communication with the town has to improve.

Jim Smith from Delmarva Power contacted Jim regarding any improvements they could make for the town with grant funding. Jim suggested new streetlights.

There being no further business, motion to adjourn was made by Buck, second by Jim and the meeting adjourned at 6:51 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Cahall