

## **Council Meeting**

The Town Council of the Town of Ware Shoals held a Council Meeting on January 19, 2021 at 6:30 pm. Those present were: Mayor Horne, Councilman Powell, Councilman Boles, Councilman Leagans, Councilwoman Walters, Councilwoman Jackson, and Councilman Ross.

Also, present were Randee Beasley, Town Clerk/Treasurer.

Councilman Leagans began the meeting with Prayer.

### **Minutes of the Meeting**

**Councilwoman Walter made the motion to amend the agenda to add a executive session, Councilwoman Jackson, 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and was approved unanimously.**

### **Approval of Minutes**

Mayor Horne asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes of the following meetings:

December 15, 2020, January 4, 2021 and January 12, 2021

Councilwoman stated that she was listed as present on 1/12/2021 when she was not.

**Action:** Councilman Powell made the motion to approve minutes seconded by Councilman Ross. The motion was approved unanimously

### **Committee Reports**

#### **Fire Committee – Councilwoman Walters, Chairman**

See attachment #1

#### **Police Committee – Mayor Horne, Chairman**

See attachment # 2

**Motion by Committee:** change officer uniforms to a black shirt with POLICE on the sleeves and back, along with blue jeans. All uniforms must be in a clean and appropriate state of condition. Motion was approved unanimously.

#### **Properties/Public Works Committee – Councilman Boles, Chairman**

**Motion by Committee:** Keep the Old Fire Department for the Public Works department. 1800.00 will need to be paid to Sherry Powell for the surveying and work she completed.

Councilman Leagans made the motion to lay the motion on the table until the building was deemed safe for occupancy. Motion did not get a second.

Council voted on the motion by committee and it was approved unanimously, with the stipulation that the building had to be tested for mold and cleaned before occupancy.

See attachment #3

#### **Youth/Communities Committee – Councilman Bryan Ross, Chairman**

See attachment #4

**History/Tourism Committee – Councilman Michael Powell, Chairman**

See attachment #5

**Administrative Committee – Councilwoman Patty Walters, Chairman**

See attachment #6

**Water/Sewer Committee – Councilman George Leagans, Chairman**

See attachment #7

**Proclamation 21-01 Catfish Festival**

Mayor Horne read the proclamation and made the motion to accept, seconded by Councilwoman Walter. Motion was approved unanimously. Councilman Powell and Leagans recused themselves from the vote being that they are on the Catfish Festival Board.

See attachment #8

**Public Comments:**

No public comments

**Executive Session: Discussion on a release/retention/discipline of employees in the Police Department. FOIA Section 30-4-40 Personnel. Council may take action after.**

Councilman Ross made the motion to enter executive session, seconded by Councilman Jackson.

Councilman Powell made the motion to exit executive session, seconded by Councilman Walers.

**Motion:** Police Committee made the motion to hire Christopher Graham pending an officer resignation or termination. Motion was approved unanimously.

**Executive Session: Negotiation of an agreement to acquire and easement interest in real estate with the town to accommodate the construction of a proposed wastewater collection line. FOIA Section 30-4-40 Real Estate. Council may take action after.**

Councilman Leagans made the motion to enter executive session, seconded by Councilman Ross.

Councilman Powell made the motion to exit executive session, seconded by Councilman Walers.

Motion: Councilman Leagans made the motion to compensate property owner for the decreased property value due to the loss of use. Motion was approved unanimously.

**Executive Session: Contractual Matter. FOIA Section 30-4-40 Contractual. Council may take action after.**

Councilwoman Walters made the motion to enter executive session, seconded by Councilman Ross.

Councilwoman Jackson made the motion to exit executive session, seconded by Councilman Leagans.

No action taken

Councilman Leagans made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilman Ross seconded the motion, motion approved unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted:

Randee Beasley, Town Clerk/Treasurer Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

Attachments:

1. Fire Committee Minutes
2. Police Committee Minutes
3. Properties/Public Works Committee Minutes
4. Youth/Community Committee Minutes
5. History/Tourism Committee Minutes
6. Admin Committee Minutes
7. Water/Sewer Committee Minutes
8. Proclamation 21-01