

TOWN OF BROOKLET

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

APRIL 15, 2010

MINUTES

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER: Mayor Grooms

The members present were: Councilman Rusty Smith, Councilman Randy Newman, Councilman Jim Orr and Councilman Jim Stanoff. Councilman Russell Davis was absent.

2. INVOCATION: Councilman Rusty Smith

3. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FROM THE MARCH 18, 2010 CITY COUNCIL MEETING:

Councilman Stanoff made a motion to accept the minutes as written; motion was seconded by Councilman Newman and passed with all ayes.

4. APPROVAL OF THE MARCH FINANCIAL REPORTS:

Councilman Orr made a motion to accept the financial reports as presented; motion was seconded by Councilman Stanoff and passed with all ayes.

5. RECOGNITION OF GUEST REQUESTING TO BE ON THE AGENDA.

Jan Tankersley: Requesting a "No Outdoor Burn Ordinance"

Councilman Newman spoke on her behalf; Ms. Tankersley has asked for the Town of Brooklet to enact a "no burn ordinance" in the city limits. The only regulation the town has is that we require a burn permit number before burning anything on your property. Councilman Newman asked for Lori or Belle to research outdoor burning ordinances in other communities and bring the information to the May Council meeting to be discussed.

Sandra Martin: Brooklet Garden Club Member

The Brooklet Garden Club is asking permission to plant and maintain the downtown planters. Councilman Stanoff made a motion to allow permission for Brooklet Gardening Club Project; motion was seconded by Councilman Orr and passed with all ayes.

Gail Powell: Pretorius Lane

Ms. Powell would like to know the reasons to why this lane was made a one way.

At the June 2009 City Council Meeting, Council voted to make Pretorius Lane a one way street from Baker to Lane street; the reasons being that the road was too narrow for two vehicles to travel at the same time, on the far corner of Baker street there is a wooden fence which creates a blind spot when pulling out onto Dixie street and on the right hand side of Lane street there are some hedges that also make it difficult to see if there is any vehicles coming down the lane.

Ms. Powell and Ms. Chaffin would like to have the lane made back into a two-way; no one contacted them or Mr. Ward about the change to the lane, both of which use this lane daily. Chief Buchan made a suggestion to change the lane to a “no thru way traffic”. Councilman Orr stated that before council makes a decision, we need to contact all of the residents on the lane to let them know that this will be a topic of discussion on the agenda for the City Council meeting scheduled for May 20, 2010; this way everyone will be aware of any change that may occur.

6. REPORTS FROM THE COMMITTEES:

Councilman Davis: Absent.

Councilman Smith:

- GST Consulting presented a proposal to provide professional GIS services for the Town of Brooklet.

Types of services they will offer:

- Gather documents that accurately show pipe connectivity for water system coverage.
- Gather best available land base data and organize to an ESRI personal geo-database. This data will serve as a background layers to the sewer and other GIS data layers that are currently being utilized.
- Design and develop a database to house the spatial and attribute data the City chooses to store and maintain for its GIS.
- GPS locate approximately 114 Hydrants, 204 valves, and 530 meters.
- Load GPS points into newly developed GIS database and connect pipes using best available documentation.
- Deliver ESRI personal geo-database and map document containing water systems GIS.
- Provide four hours of onsite training.
- Optional: Provide one license of Arc View software \$1350.

Total costs for these services will be billed up to but not to exceed \$12,930 with an optional cost of \$1350 for a total with option to be \$14,280.

Councilman Smith made a motion to accept the proposal for \$12,930; motion was seconded by Councilman Stanoff and passed with a one nay and three ayes.

Councilman Newman:

- Presented three quotes for a new leaf collector and they are:

1.) Consolidated Disposal Systems, Inc.

Giant Vac TM4901 49 HP: \$17,000.00

2.) ODB Company

Direct Driven 84 HP: \$16,000.00

Heavy Duty Leaf Collector 65 HP: \$18,000.00

3.) Salsco, Inc.

Trailer Mounted Truck Loader Vac 25 HP: \$7,953.85

Councilman Newman made a motion to accept the leaf vac from Salsco, Inc. for \$7953.85; motion was seconded by Councilman Orr and passed with all ayes.

- Councilman Newman would like to have Robertson Lane paved. He has asked Ellis Wood to give him a quote to pave the lane. The price of asphalt is about to go up and that is why he brought this to council tonight. Ellis Wood will pave the road for \$34,858.75 and we will have Jim Spires do the yellow striping. Councilman Orr made a motion to accept the bid from Ellis Wood; motion was seconded by Councilman Stanoff and passed with three ayes, Councilman Newman abstained from the motion.

Councilman Stanoff:

- Councilman Stanoff has not finished the research on the mud hog; he will try to have it at the May meeting.
- The street sweeper will be advertised on govdeals.com, this is a free website but they do charge a 7.5% commission on the item for sale. Councilman Stanoff would like to put a reserve on the sweeper for \$2800.00; the reserve can be dropped if needed. Councilman Newman made a motion to place the street sweeper on govdeals.com with a reserve of \$2,800.00; motion was seconded by Councilman Orr and passed with all ayes.
- Jerry Brown an Electrician has rewired the building and replaced the overhead lights in the shop at the public works department.
- The golf cart needs around \$1400.00 worth of repairs. Councilman Stanoff would like to purchase an ATV vehicle for the public works department to replace the golf cart and to use when reading meters ; Statesboro Yamaha offered a 2009 mule for \$9,1600.00 and the Kawasaki shop offered a 2010 brand new at its cost of \$5900.00 to add a roof would be \$120.00. Councilman Stanoff made a motion to purchase the 2010 Kawasaki; motion was seconded by Councilman Newman; motion passed with one nay and three ayes.
- Councilman Stanoff went to the John Deere place to check on a front loader for the tractor; they have one for \$4000.00 installed. Councilman Stanoff made a motion to accept the price of \$4000.00 for a front loader for the tractor; motion was seconded by Councilman Newman; motion passed with one nay and three ayes.

Councilman Orr:

- Has not finished his projects and will send them via mail once he gets it all completed.
- Council needs to be looking at next year's budget; Councilman Orr will develop a worksheet for each department. Also, Councilman Orr suggests having three different budgets set up for the Town of Brooklet. This would be a good workshop item but Councilman Orr would like for each department head to

have their budget worksheets first. The workshop meeting should be planned for the end of May or the first of June.

Chief Buchan:

- Gave the monthly police report.
- Officer Berry, the new full timer is on a regular schedule now and has been doing a good job.
- Jodi Rodgers, the Municipal Court Clerk has turned in her resignation; Chief Buchan would like permission to hire a new court clerk, Councilman Newman made a motion to give permission to hire a new court clerk to work 8 am to 2 pm, Monday through Friday with a thirty minute lunch; motion was seconded by Councilman Smith and passed with all ayes. Ms. Belle will meet with Chief Buchan to come up with an advertisement for the Statesboro Herald.

Attorney Hugh Hunter:

- No reports at this time.

7. CONSENT AGENDA:

8. OLD BUSINESS:

1. Review of action taken on Variance Request from Mr. Hendry.

Attorney Hugh Hunter talked with Hal Roach and asked him to write a letter, which he did. He was arguing three different positions, one was to allow the variance as it was to move the lot line to make a further substandard lot the line, the second argument was a vested right argument that the original lot lines shouldn't allow to continue in place and the third argument was an argument based upon another provision that is immediately underneath the provision that Attorney Hugh Hunter cited to us that deals with residential lots and it essentially says that with respect to residential lots that the original lot lines can apply. Therefore, we went back to the original property lines and did an easement for the driveway and half of a patio deck; this made it able for him to close on. A new plat was made and recorded.

2. Mobile Home Ordinance.

There were a few changes being made to the mobile home ordinance, council has agreed on the changes and has asked Attorney Hugh Hunter to draft the changes to the ordinance.

3. Review of ordinance on placing of yard trash for pick-up.

There have been no recent problems; the citizens have been complying with the Town of Brooklet. Councilman Orr made a motion to table this item; motion was seconded by Councilman Newman and passed with all ayes.

9. New Business:

1. Open and review bids received for 1999 Crown Vic.

Councilman Stanoff presented the bids:

We received one bid for the 1999 Crown Vic. The bid was from Jimmy Davis for \$500.00.

Councilman Orr made a motion to accept the bid; motion was seconded by Councilman Smith and passed with all ayes.

2. Open and review bids received for XMARK LAZER Mower.

We received three bids for the mower:

1. Charles Mallard gave a bid of \$450.00
2. Jason Lanier gave a bid of \$400.00
3. Thomas Brannan gave a bid of \$712.00

Councilman Orr made a motion to accept the bid from Thomas Brannan for \$712.00; motion was seconded by Councilman Newman and passed with all ayes.

10. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON AGENDA ITEMS.

These comments should be limited to the subject that is being debated. Members of the public may speak for five minutes and may speak only once. Anymore wishing to speak at any meeting must be recognized by the Mayor before addressing the board.

11. ADJOURNMENT.

Councilman Orr made a motion to adjourn; motion was seconded by Councilman Stanoff and passed with all ayes.