

TOWN OF BROOKER
REGULAR MONTHLY COUNCIL MEETING
FEBRUARY 14, 2017

Present: Gene Melvin, Pam Johnson, Joe Tolleson, Doug Hayes, John Maines, Charlene Thomas.
Absent: Curtis Clark, Tony Stalnaker
Community: see attached sign-in sheet

Meeting called to order by Gene Melvin, Mayor.
Pledge of Allegiance!

A motion was made by Pam Johnson to approve the January 10th minutes as presented. Seconded by Doug Hayes. Motion passed.

First on Agenda – Citizens Against Phosphate Mining:

Mayor Melvin did advise this group that this was our regular monthly council meeting and he could only allow them 5 minutes to give their presentation. Handouts were passed out. Several from this group spoke on the concerns they have with the Phosphate Mining in our area. Becky Parker finally asked Town Council to consider a Resolution in opposition to the Mining of Phosphate in Bradford County. Resolution was passed out for council to consider. The clerk said the Resolution number would be 2017-01. A motion was made by Pam Johnson to adopt Resolution 2017-01. Seconded by Doug Hayes. Vote called for: Motion passed. The clerk will retype Resolution and forward a signed copy to Bradford County Commissioners.

Town Clerk – Charlene Thomas:

1. Past due water report passed out. A total of \$688.69 is still owed. One meter has been locked and the remainder owed is \$282.26. There deposit was used towards this bill.
2. Inspection Report from Utility Services was received.
3. Clerk talked with council about her needing some help with the D.O.T. SCOP grant. She did speak with Andy Eason and he said he would be glad to help her. His cost to assist her would be \$1500.00 lump sum. If we receive the grant we would owe him another \$2500.00. A motion was made by Doug Hayes to pay \$1500.00 lump sum to Andy Easton for grant application services. Seconded by Joe Tolleson. Motion passed. The clerk said Jerome Kelley was given a list of streets that need paving, resurfacing etc. She gave list to council and ask them to look over it and make sure they have all streets on it.
4. Clerk mentioned Judy Flanagan's property. SHIP program is tearing down her old home and building her a new one. Letter of compliance was sent to Bradford County Building and Zoning so setbacks will be followed.
5. Election of Mayor and Vice-Mayor will be handled at the March meeting.
6. New computers have been installed and working great.
7. Went over Revenues and Expenditures for December 2016 and January 2017.
8. New computer has Windows 10. Our JayHawk Software program is not compatible with Windows 10. We have had this same program for over 30 years. I have spoken with JayHawks and they suggest we go to a different billing program that supports Windows 10. The program is called SOLUS by Jayhawk (Single User Billing). The cost to convert is \$3793.00. It will take up to 6 months to get program ready for us. A motion was made by Joe Tolleson to go ahead and get new billing program. Seconded by Pam Johnson. Motion passed. Clerk will look at budget and decide where to pull money from.

Attorney – John Maines:

He mentioned that Micanopy had contacted him about being their Attorney. They meet on the same night as Brooker. He isn't sure if he wants to take this on.

Road/Streets – Joe Tolleson:

1. He mentioned two trees blew down during storm. He contacted S & S Tree & Field Services. One tree in road on Olive Avenue and N. East Street. Second tree limbs laying in road on School Street. We should receive bill shortly.

Recreation/Parks – Pam Johnson:

1. She mentioned we need to get some bases for ballfield. Clerk will have Terry show her what to order.

Old Business:

1. Semi-truck in Shady Oaks subdivision. Gene Melvin said he spoke with Sheriff's department on this.
2. Nothing was done about semi at Nash's home due to no trailer attached to semi.
3. Fencing behind tennis court. Doug Hayes presented a quote from All Out Fence. The cost to fix, repair, and replace 6' galvanized chain link, wire and post, repair roll gates with new track and hardware is \$1482.30. Gene Melvin mentioned that we really don't need the gate replaced just put up new fence. This should reduce the cost to less than \$1000.00. A motion was made by Joe Tolleson to replace, fix and repair fence with cost no more than \$1000.00. Seconded by Pam Johnson. Motion passed. Doug will contact them with change.

New Business:

1. It was mentioned that dump trucks are flying through Brooker going to 301. Clerk said she would email Captain Brad Smith about this and see if they can help.

Checks approved: 6381 – 6402, 5064 – 5074, and 5076

A motion was made by Doug Hayes to pay the bills. Seconded by Joe Tolleson. Motion passed. Motion to adjourn was made by Gene Melvin. Time: 8:43p.m.

C.E. (Gene) Melvin, Mayor

Charlene Thomas, Town Clerk