

TOWN OF BROOKER
REGULAR MONTHLY COUNCIL MEETING
JUNE 11, 2019

Present: Steve Acree, Pam Johnson, Joe Tolleson, Gene Melvin, John Maines, Charlene Thomas, Tony Stalnaker.
Absent: Linda Bennett – vacation
Community Terry Thomas, John Maines' granddaughter, Emma.

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

A motion was made by Joe Tolleson to approve the minutes from the May 14th meeting as presented. Seconded by Steve Acree. Motion passed.

Fire Department – Tony Stalnaker:

1. Fire hydrants were painted.
2. Hoods for firemen have been ordered.
3. He has not had time to look into getting a landing at back of modular building.
4. Replacing roll-up door at Fire Station was discussed at last meeting. He tried to get 3 bids but was only able to get 2 bids. One bid was from Overhead Doors in the amount of \$2535.90. Second bid was from Santa Fe Door in the amount of \$2380.00. The lowest bid is from Santa Fe Door. This bid would include all new door and frame work. The door would be electric. The push button inside of building would be the responsibility of fire department. There were some concerns about whether or not the door could be rolled up manually if there is no electricity. Tony will check into this. A motion was made by Joe Tolleson to go with Santa Fe Door in the amount of \$2380.00 once Tony finds out about the manual roll up. Seconded by Pam Johnson. Motion passed. The clerk was instructed to pay this from Repair & Maintenance. Tony did let the council know that the door is being hit by the mowing crew. Also, the mowing crew hit the spicket at the modular building and broke it. The mowing crew did turn the meter off so water would not continue to run. Steve was asked to let them know about these problems.
5. Mayor Melvin mentioned about Operation Roundup program in the Clay Electric kilowatt. The Windsor Volunteer Fire Department received money from this program. The money was used for improvements and property renovations. He asked Tony to look into this and see if we can apply for this program.

Town Clerk – Charlene Thomas:

1. Past due water report passed out. Still out \$292.82.
2. I will be on vacation June 17th – 21st. I am having cataract surgery on Wednesday, June 26th and July 10th. I will be in and out of office as vision allows.
3. Copies of Budget from 2018/2019 were given to council to look over. If they know of anything that needs to be added to 2019/2020 budget bring to next meeting in July.

4. Information on Ethics training was given to council. This needs to be done before December 31, 2019. Linda Bennett will not be required this year to do this training. Pam Johnson will be leaving council shortly to move into Alachua County. Clerk will check and see if she needs to do training this year.
5. Went over Revenues and Expenditures for May 2019.
6. I spoke with Andy Easton on applying for Second FRDAP. We discussed using the \$50,000.00 for attaching a half basketball court to South end of tennis court, a restroom at playground area, and the remainder on playground equipment. The basketball court would cost around \$10,000.00 for the concrete. The restroom would cost around \$25,000.00. The administrative part of grant would cost about \$7,500.00. That would leave us \$7,500.00. Mayor Melvin said he would like to see us add another light at baseball field. We can check with Andy Easton on this.

Attorney – John Maines:

1. At the last meeting he discussed with council the possibility of the town having to change their election date to coincide with Bradford Counties election dates. He coordinated with Terry Vaughan, Supervisor of Elections, and found out that of the 32 counties deemed to fall under Section 4E, Bradford County was not one of them. There are concerns that the Governor may proceed with uniform implementation of having all elections at the same time. We will have to keep an eye on this.

Water Department – Gene Melvin:

1. He had spoken with Bernard Carter concerning the sky light on top of water department building. Waiting on price.

Road/Streets – Joe Tolleson:

1. Mayor Melvin reported that the county is waiting on a piece of equipment so they can do some tree trimming. They should be in here next week to move dirt pile.

Recreation/Parks – Pam Johnson:

1. Pam mentioned to Steve that she had looked into the cost to replace the net at the tennis court. Also, we could check into resurfacing the court. The FRDAP budget for tennis court renovation is \$2,000.00. Charlene mentioned that she will get with Court Side Surfaces and get them to give her a price on a net and the resurfacing. This is the company who put in the court in 2006. She had checked on the repairing/replacing water fountains. Charlene said we need to contact Quality Plumbing and let them give us a cost to repair fountains.

Ground Maintenance/Mowing – Steve Acree:

1. Pre-bid tour is set for Saturday, June 15th at 9:00a.m.
2. Tony Stalnaker mentioned that the fire hydrant at the corner of SR 231/235 and CR 18 is not being weeded around on a monthly basis.

Mayor – Gene Melvin:

1. He passed out new committees for 2019. Charlene Thomas mentioned that Linda Bennet would like to be over Recreation/Parks. Gene asked clerk to change Recreation/Parks from Steve Acree to Linda Bennett.

Town Council – Pam Johnson:

1. She let council know about a complaint she had received about a citizen playing loud music all times of the night. She checked with clerk to find out if we have a Noise Ordinance in place. She found out that Bradford County does have one. She gave the copy to John Maines, Attorney. He will read over the ordinance and see if it is something we might want to adopt. Council said okay. Mr. Maines said the problem we have is we have no one to enforce this kind of ordinance. Pam mentioned the Bradford County Sheriff's department has been called several times on this. Mr. Maines mentioned we do not have an agreement with Sheriff's office to enforce our ordinances. This is one of these problems that you should be able to speak to your neighbor about and work it out. This has not happened in this case. Council will look at this again in July.

Old Business:

1. Mayor Melvin said he had spoken with Christi Hudson about not giving a citation to Jonathan Nash in Shady Oaks subdivision. Everyone else who was parking their trucks in this subdivision has moved them. She said she has been extra busy with other tasks and hasn't gotten this done. She will try and handle it.
2. Mayor Melvin mentioned Emergency Management, Sheriff's Department and Road Department have been out and looked at the closing of the West End of Melvin Street. All of these departments did not see a problem with closing end of Melvin Street. Mayor Melvin said the county will do the signs and the barricading. Mayor Melvin asked Mr. Maines to do a letter letting the county know we approve this closing. Mr. Maines said the Town Clerk can do the letter on our letterhead. A motion was made by Joe Tolleson to have the clerk send a letter stating the Town Council gives approval to proceed with this road closure and all the logistics involved. Seconded by Steve Acree. Motion passed. Clerk will type up letter and have Mayor sign.

Checks approved: 6986 – 7005, 5363 - 5371

A motion was made by Steve Acree to approve the bills. Seconded by Joe Tolleson. Motion passed.

Mayor Melvin made a motion to adjourn. Time 8:30p.m.

C.E. (Gene) Melvin, Mayor

Charlene Thomas, Town Clerk