

TOWN OF BROOKER
REGULAR MONTHLY COUNCIL MEETING
SEPTEMBER 12, 2017

Present: Pam Johnson, Gene Melvin, Joe Tolleson, Charlene Thomas.
Absent: John Maines, Doug Hayes, Tony Stalnaker.

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

A motion was made by Joe Tolleson to approve the minutes as presented from the August 8th council meeting. Seconded by Pam Johnson. Motion passed.

Resolution 2017-02 was presented to council. This Resolution modifies water rates. Joe Tolleson made a motion to adopt and read by title only. Pam Johnson read Resolution 2017-02 by title only. Seconded by Pam Johnson. Motion passed.

Charlene Thomas – Town Clerk:

1. Past due water report was passed out. Still out \$851.96. One meter was cut-off before Hurricane. No money was received. Clerk had meter turned back on Saturday, September 9th. Homeowner was advised that meter would be re-locked if payment is not made after the storm. Pam Johnson said she was contacted by Myra Hodge asking her to check into this account, because she did make a payment. Clerk advised council that she did receive a \$40.00 money order on August 28th, but it still left customer owing \$53.23 plus the September bill has not been paid.
2. FRDAP wasn't funded by Legislature this year. We received a letter from Florida Department of Environmental Protection letting us know about no funding. However, the letter did state we could roll over this project application as scored for 2018-2019. Clerk spoke with Andy Easton and he suggested we roll over project application. Council agreed to roll over. Mayor Gene Melvin signed letter.
3. Council was provided a copy of A J's contract with LaCrosse. We are paying him the same amount of money they are. LaCrosse's contract is up March 2018.
4. A J still hasn't stopped by city hall and signed his contract.
5. We didn't get the SCOP grant either. We can re-apply on or before January 8, 2018. I suggest we re-apply. Clerk spoke with Jerome Kelley and he said we would use the same figures. A motion was made by Pam Johnson to reapply for SCOP grant in January. Seconded by Joe Tolleson. Motion passed.
6. We didn't get the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity Community Planning Technical Assistance grant either.
7. Final Public Hearing on Millage and Budget will be Tuesday, September 26th at 7p.m.
8. A notice was posted at the Post office and City Hall about interested citizen serving on the Town Council. The notice ran for three weeks. Clerk was contacted by two citizens, Paul Samson and Steve Acree. Clerk instructed council that names could be put on a ballot and each council member would cast one vote. Gene Melvin suggested we hold off on this until next meeting when Attorney is present. Put back on agenda.
9. Went over Revenues and Expenditures for August 2017.
10. Flood Ordinance should be ready for first reading at the October meeting.
11. Clerk will present some budget amendments at the next meeting.

12. Joe Tolleson and Doug Hayes has completed Ethics training. Pam Johnson and Gene Melvin will need to do theirs before end of year.
13. A new printer was put in 2016/17 budget. The printer will cost \$2449.00. Should receive it in a few weeks.
14. Clerk thanked Joe Tolleson for helping her get things ready before storm. Also, she thanked Pam Johnson for coming down and getting everything signed in case we were without power for several days.

Gene Melvin – Water Department:

1. Clerk contacted Bradford Fuel before Hurricane and had generator filled with fuel.
2. Joe Tolleson, Michael Tolleson and Terry Thomas cleaned out drains on CR 18 before storm.
3. Bernard Carter contacted clerk and asked her to contact Ring Power after the storm. Generator was not staying on manually.

Joe Tolleson – Roads/Streets:

1. He reported a lot of limbs down throughout town from storm. Clerk said she would contact Frank Durrance and see if he could help us.

Pam Johnson – Recreation/Park:

1. She reported that a sign blew off of fence at ballfield. She will have her husband hang back up for us.

New Business:

1. Received Condition Assessment Report from Utility Service on Water Tower.

Checks approved:

A motion was made by Joe Tolleson to approve the bills. Seconded by Pam Johnson. Motion passed. Gene Melvin made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Time: 7:34p.m.

C.E. (Gene) Melvin, Mayor

Charlene Thomas, Town Clerk