Town of Robbinsville Public Hearing & Regular Board Meeting Minutes September 1, 2021 Town Hall

A Regular Town of Robbinsville Board Meeting and Public Hearing was called to order by Mayor Steve Hooper at 1:00 PM at the Town Hall on September 1, 2021.

Council present: Brian Johnson, Debbie Beasley, Shaun Adams

Approval of Agenda:

Debbie Beasley made a motion to approve the agenda, with the additional items added – New Business (9) 90 day raise for maintenance employee and (10) Part-time maintenance employee. Brian Johnson seconded the motion. Vote unanimous.

Approval of meeting minutes:

Debbie Beasley made a motion to approve the August 4, 2021 Regular Board meeting minutes. Brian Johnson seconded the motion. Vote unanimous.

Brian Johnson made a motion to approve the August 12, 2021 Special Board meeting minutes. Debbie Beasley seconded the motion. Vote unanimous.

Debbie Beasley made a motion to approve the August 31, 2021 Special Board meeting minutes with the Attorney requested changes to remove the paragraph stating the Auditor's recommendation to the Board concerning employee timecards, and replace the paragraph with the following: Criminal investigations are planned, conducted and heard in closed session. Brian Johnson seconded the motion. Shaun Adams voted against.

Public Comment:

Brian Johnson made a motion to open public comment at 1:10 PM. Shaun Adams seconded the motion. Vote unanimous. There was one person that addressed the Board for public comment. Brian Johnson made a motion to close public comment at 1:20 PM. Shaun Adams seconded the motion. Vote unanimous.

Public Hearing - Annexation - Hackney Petroleum:

Shaun Adams made a motion to open the Public Hearing at 1:21 PM. Brian Johnson seconded the motion. Vote unanimous. A representative from Hackney Petroleum addressed the Board. Brian Johnson made a motion to close the Public Hearing at 1:26 PM. Debbie Beasley seconded the motion. Vote unanimous.

Shaun Adams made a motion to accept the Annexation of Hackney Petroleum. Brian Johnson seconded the motion. Vote unanimous. The Attorney will prepare the Ordinance.

Old Business:

Town Hall Mold Issue:

Mayor Hooper stated that the two dehumidifiers in the basement have still not been set-up to drain.

Golf Cart Tags:

Tabled.

Sale of Town Surplus items - Bids - Donation:

Debbie Beasley made a motion to accept the \$20 bid for the V1210 TV and donate the remaining items to Grace Extended Ministries Thrift Store. Shaun Adams seconded the motion. Vote unanimous.

American Rescue Plan Funds:

The Finance Director announced to the Board that the Town has received \$101,505.14 for the first disbursement of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 Grant. She explained the specific spending requirements for this Grant. She presented a proposal to the Board for their review.

Eller Branch - survey:

Tabled.

New Business:

Mayor Update:

Mayor Hooper stated that the Town has received the contract for the Sewer line CDBG grant.

Finance Update:

- The Finance Director presented the July 31, 2021 Budget vs Actual.
- The Finance Director requested the same raise that the current board has given to all other employees when receiving a required Certification. She stated that she just wanted the same consideration that this Board has given to all other employees. The request died with no motion.
- The Finance Director updated the Board on the increased late fee revenue.
- The Finance Director estimated the lost revenue of not replacing the broken meters is \$87,469 a year. She stated that the current unaccounted water usage is at 45%.
- The Finance Director presented the requested expense allocation requested by Sharon Edmundson. The Board requested a meeting with Sharon Edmundson.
- The Finance Director asked the Board if they wanted her to remove the High School or GED requirement on all future maintenance department position advertisements since the Board's last hire did not have his High School diploma or GED. The Board asked her to continue posting the requirement.
- Garbage truck repairs \$2771
- The Finance Director explained to the Board that there is still a lien on the 1977 Fire Truck, and she has not been able to locate the lien holder or the title.

Old Town Hall exterior:

Tabled.

CDBG Grant – Administrator and Engineer:

Brian Johnson made a motion to accept the CDBG Grant planning committee's recommendation for McGill Associates for both the Grant Administration and Grant Engineering. Debbie Beasley seconded the motion. Vote unanimous.

JL Phillips Bridge – Resolution in Support:

Shaun Adams made a motion to approve the Resolution in Support of the Department of Transportation naming the bridge at Robbinsville High School the JL Phillips Bridge. Brian Johnson seconded the motion. Vote unanimous.

Mini-X Bushmaster - \$6,312 – Maintenance Department:

Tabled.

Lawn mower quotes - Maintenance Department:

Tabled.

Employee 90-day raise - Maintenance Department:

Brian Johnson made a motion to approve a \$1.50 hour raise for Chris Williams. Debbie Beasley seconded the motion. Vote unanimous.

New part-time employee - Maintenance Department:

Tabled.

Brian Johnson made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 2:25 PM. Shaun Adams seconded the motion. Vote unanimous.

Steve Hooper, Mayor

Debbie Beasley, Council Member

Brian Johnson, Council Member

Shaun Adams, Council Member

ATTEST:

Sonya Webster, Clerk to the Board