

TOWN OF NEWLAND
MONTHLY BOARD MEETING
MARCH 5, 2019
6:00 PM

PRESENT:

MAYOR: Valerie Jaynes
ATTORNEY: Joe Seegers
ALDERMAN: Kenny Caraway, James C. Johnson, Lauren Turbyfill, Dave Calvert
GUESTS: Carl Blankenship, Christie Hughes
STAFF: Lise Meinhardt, Keith Hoilman, Chief Byron Clawson, Colby Benfield,
Tammy Gardner

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. The Mayor then led the audience in the Pledge to the American flag.

James made a motion to accept the proposed agenda. Kenny seconded the motion. All agreed by a show of hands and stating I.

James made a motion to approve the February minutes. Kenny seconded the motion. All agreed by a show of hands and stating I.

There were no public comments.

Lise stated she had no report. The Mayor asked about audit bids. Lise stated there was only one interested at this time.

Byron gave the police report. Chief Clawson went over the notable calls. Chief Clawson stated Officer Clark and Officer Baynard attended taser training and are certified to carry a taser. Chief Clawson stated the new patrol car is now in service. Chief Clawson asked the board if it was alright to sell the old Chevy Equinox the Court gave them from a seizure, since it was not useful for the town to use. The board agreed to just sell it. James made a motion to sell the car on govdeals .com. Kenny seconded the motion. All agreed by a show of hands and stating I. Motion carried.

Keith Hoilman gave the Administrator and Water Works report. Keith stated they had a couple small meter leaks. James asked about a water leak on Taylor Street. Keith explained that was a valve that might seal up on its own if not they would have to dig it up and replace it. Keith stated he had talked with a rep from Verizon about a better way to read the meters and would be looking into that. Joe Seegers stated he has the list of all the people delinquent on their taxes and will be contacting them, if they still don't pay he will start taxable lien closures. Keith stated James goes to the doctor on Friday, if everything is alright he will return on the 10th of March. Keith stated there would be a workshop on March 19th at 5:15 pm. Keith stated he had rented the available space to The Avery Post. Kenny stated the Town was doing well now and wanted to move forward with ideals like this to save the town money.

There was no Old Business:

In New Business. James made a motion to accept the new proposed Chapter 91: Homesite and Dwelling amendment. Kenny seconded the motion. All agreed by a show of hands and stating I. Motion carried. Lise asked the board about moving some money and separating the accounts to General and Water/Sewer. Kenny made a motion to approve Lise request. James seconded the motion. All agreed by a show of hands and stating I. Motion carried.

Joe Seegers explained the terms of the new offices lease to the Mayor. Kenny made a motion to allow the Mayor to enter into a lease agreement with The Avery Post. Dave seconded the motion. All agreed by a show of hands and stating I. Motion carried.

James stated he would like to fill the vacancy on the board with Christie Hughes. James make a motion to appoint Christy Hughes to the vacant Alderman seat. Lauren seconded the motion. Dave agreed. Kenny opposed. Motion carried. Lauren stated that before she didn't feel it was the time to bring Christy on but felt it was better now. James stated how we are moving on and felt we are growing and doing good things for the Town. He stated the Town has great employee's and they were doing a great job and it was working well. Kenny stated the board was making good decisions for the Town and things were moving good for the best interest of the Town. Dave stated that unfortunate as things were the structure now in finance is much better and that helped to get that structure.

Dave made a motion to adjourn. Lauren seconded the motion. All agreed by a show of hands and stating I.

Meeting adjourned at 7:00 pm.

Mayor, Valerie Jaynes

Clerk, Tammy Gardner