City of Santa Claus, Georgia

Regular Monthly Council Meeting, April 20, 2021

Mayor Amy Lawler is in California with her ill mother but present on speaker phone. Mayor Pro-tem Tad Bryant called the meeting to order. Present were Council members Donita Bowen, Monte Powell and David Evans and Sue Grisham. Tad led the group in the Pledge Allegiance to the flag to open the meeting. Sue read the minutes for the March 16, 2021 meeting. A motion was made by Tad second by David to accept minutes as read with a showing of hands that it was unanimous.

OLD BUSINESS: The mayor e-mailed the meeting agenda. City financial report was reviewed by the council for all accounts.

Damage on the fence around the Gardens was addressed with Tad stating he spoke with the family of the boys who damaged the fence. They will pay for damages. Luis Nino will do the repairs for the city. Tad stated there were no donations in the red box in the Garden.

The playground was discussed. When the new equipment was installed, no mulch was put down under it. The city paid for mulch. Amy has contacted BYO and they will install the mulch as stated in the contract. There is also a piece of concrete under the new swings and Monte will address this and get it removed as soon as possible. David agreed to put up a chain at the dirt trail from Reindeer to the Park to keep 4 wheelers and all other vehicles from driving into the park as they are damaging the walking trail and ditches.

Tad said he will be out of town May 2 thru May 7. Amy will be arriving home at the end of the April for graduation. Donita said the new ice maker at the Community Center is working great. She added that she will check the manual for directions on cleaning the machine. The door locks at the Community Center need to be repaired as they are not working properly. David agreed to check the door locks.

The new street sing erection was then discussed. David has contacted Rider Kennedy and he has agreed to pin stripe the poles for the city when they are ready for that.

The state inspector stated the water tank needs to be cleaned out and this was discussed. This is being addressed. Amy also received a copy of the original agreement with the City of Lyons giving the city access to their water supply in case of an emergency situation.

Council agreed that, as stated, all dogs must be on a leach or pinned up in the city. Amy stated that Zac Moore is inquiring on security cameras for the Pavilion and playground and should be at a cost of about \$100.00 plus a memory card of \$30.00. Tad made a motion second by Donita and council agreed in favor

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The fan at the Pavilion is working properly after Monte replaced the broken blades. Sue reminded the 80th Anniversary will be this year. Council will be thinking on what we will do later in the year for this celebration.

Amy called Lark Builders and they came out to measure the pump house building for a replacement. She is waiting for an estimate on that project. Robin Builders stated they did not come out and give estimates. Amy also spoke with Hostitler and Jason Hall of Lyons about the large bill on the sump pump. A meeting will be held in Lyons next week and David stated he would attend on the behalf of the city if he is free.

Tad informed his neighbor's sewer has stopped up again and had to be blown out. Residents on S. Noel are complaining about low water pressure. Darrel Corley is addressing this issue for the city.

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted, Sue Grisham

Charles (Tad) Bryant, Mayor Pro-tem