

Minutes for the Board of Aldermen for the Town of Bryson City

February 1, 2021

Swain County Administration Building
50 Main Street, 3rd Floor Auditorium

Attending:

Board of Aldermen	Town Affiliates	Public
Tom Sutton, Mayor	Regina Mathis, Town Manager	Rebecca Claxton
Ben King, Mayor Pro-Tem	Lynn Thomas, Town Clerk	Dale Durrane
Janine Crisp	Fred Moody, Town Attorney	Jessica Webb,
	Charlie Robinson, Police Chief	<u>Smoky Mtn. Times</u>

Mayor Tom Sutton called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Alderman Janine Crisp gave the invocation.

No one was present for public comment.

The Board reviewed the minutes for the January 4, 2021 regular meeting. There was one correction on the January 19, 2021 workshop minutes. In the third paragraph the word “his” needs to be changed to “this”. **Janine Crisp made a motion to approve these minutes with necessary corrections; Ben King seconded the motion that carried.**

Rebecca Claxton appeared before the Board regarding relief for a leak at the Presbyterian Church on Everett Street. The leak was a toilet that had hung up in one of the areas of the Church that was closed to the Public. The Town Board has a policy that does not allow relief of sewer if the water was treated at the wastewater treatment plant. The Board discussed this matter and decided to table it until the other Board members could be consulted in this matter.

Frank VanMiddlesworth presented an application for water and sewer but at this time doesn't need sewer services because there is a septic tank on the property at Toot Hollow. So, he is only applying for water services. **Ben King made a motion to approve this water service pending fees are paid; Janine Crisp seconded the motion that carried.**

Town Manager Regina Mathis presented the Board with the 2021-2022 Fiscal Year Budget Schedule.

The Town of Bryson City had adopted a Land Development Plan in February of 2008. Manager Mathis gave the Board a scope of work for an update of the current Land Development Plan from Russ Harris with Southwestern Commission. **Ben King made a motion to go ahead with the Southwestern Commission update of the Town's Land Development Plan; Janine Crisp seconded the motion that carried.**

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The street department's dump truck price increased from \$55,000.00 to \$62,137.00 due to a snow plow addition. **Janine Crisp made a motion to approve this purchase; Ben King seconded the motion that carried.**

The Board reviewed the Auditor's Contract from Eric Bowman for 2021. The price increased about \$900.00. **Janine Crisp made a motion to approve this contract; Ben King seconded the motion that carried.**

The Board reviewed the proposed maximum height ordinance. **Ben King made a motion to set a Public Hearing for this ordinance on Monday, March 1, 2021 at 5:30 p.m. at the Swain County Administration Building, 50 Main Street, 3rd Floor Auditorium; Janine Crisp seconded the motion that carried.**

In old business, the update of Town Ordinances was tabled until further information could be obtained.

Town Manager Regina Mathis presented the Board with information regarding Island Park Bridge that will need engineering to clear out Community Assistance Visit (CAV) violations. **Ben King made a motion to approve this request; Janine Crisp seconded the motion that carried.**

The Board set the workshop for February 15, 2021 at 5:30 p.m. at the Swain County Administration Building, 50 Main Street, 3rd Floor Auditorium.

Attorney Fred Moody gave the Attorney's Report.

The Board reviewed and discussed the Fire Chief's, Tax Collector's, Police Chief's, Public Works, Wastewater, Streets, and Town Manager's Reports. There was no Water Report presented. **Janine Crisp made a motion to approve these reports as presented; Ben King seconded the motion that carried.**

Being no further business, **Janine Crisp made a motion to adjourn; Ben King seconded the motion that carried.**

Mayor Tom Sutton

Town Clerk Lynn Thomas