MINUTES Regular Town Council Meeting March 19, 2019

Council Attendance: Councilmen: Allen Gallman, Mike Hawkins, Chad

Hawkins and Robert Martin.

Administrative Attendance: Karen Livingston, Town Administrator; Michelle

Bundrick, Clerk Treasurer; Ed West, Utility

Director; Chief Don Evans, Police Department and

Lisa Senn, Town Attorney.

Council Absence: Mayor Derek Underwood.

Mayor Pro-tem Chad Hawkins called the Regular Meeting to order and welcomed everyone. He asked Councilman Allen Gallman to open with prayer. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Mayor Pro-tem Chad Hawkins presented the Minutes from February 19, 2019 Regular Council Meeting for approval.

A MOTION by Councilman Mike Hawkins to approve the minutes from February 19, 2019 Regular Council Meeting; seconded by Councilman Allen Gallman, and so approved unanimously.

OPEN SESSION:

Eric Lemoine at 144 Williamswood Drive addressed a culvert that was crushed by one of the contractors working in Williamswood. He asked if it would be fixed when the water line is connected across the street. Discussion followed.

Mayor Pro-tem Chad Hawkins introduced Mr. Green from Troop 316 in the audience for his Citizenship in the Community.

Mrs. Livingston asked to add a contractual matter in the water department to Executive Session.

A MOTION by Councilman Robert Martin to add a contractual matter in the water department to Executive Session; seconded by Councilman Mike Hawkins, and so approved unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS:

There was nothing to discuss in New Business.

REPORT OF COMMITTEES:

<u>Electrical, Public Works and Sanitation</u>: Councilman Mike Hawkins had nothing to report.

<u>Public Safety and Streets:</u> Councilman Chad Hawkins stated streets would be covered in Main Street paving.

Economic Development, Buildings & Properties: Councilman Robert Martin asked if they could look at the building where the mural is to see about gaining some space for the road so that we would not have to do away with the Main Street parking. Discussion followed. Councilman Hawkins apologized to the Chief from last month's meeting on the size of the new trucks. Mrs. Livingston suggested the Tap Grant and would get with Mr. Cooper to get that form started. She stated she would put Tap Grant discussion under old business for the next meeting.

<u>Parks, Recreation & Events</u>: Councilman Gallman stated he did not have the numbers on the recreation teams. Mrs. Livingston stated we are adding a Hoppin' after hours this year with a band and car show. She stated the night event would be from 5 until 8 and Blackbeards Truck is the band performing.

Police Department: Chief Evans stated he had finished up on a grant last week to get equipment his department needs. He stated they are approved for 100k generator through the 1033 program and looking to get some other things too that we can use. He stated we would have all the cameras installed next week in the cars through the Department of Public Safety. He expressed how his department treats everyone with respect but a lot of these people just don't understand the system. He stated his department would be helping with the 5k and 10k run on March 30th for the Fire Department. He stated Officer Jones would be heading up the National Night Out for August 6th. He stated his department would be getting a Class A uniform to wear for special events. Mayor Pro-tem stated we are beyond the 30, 60, 90 days and are implementing and moving forward. Councilman Mike Hawkins asked if Councilman Martin had found a house for the Chief. Chief Evans stated he had found several properties but the property is high around here per acre.

<u>Utility Department:</u> Mr. West stated we had a water main break at Anderson Drive and we had to have a boiled water advisory. He thanked Mrs. Livingston for staying late

and calling each customer on the street to let them know to boil their water and for calling all of the customers when it had been lifted. He stated we had a water main break at Eureka and Armfield Streets too and had to cut the new asphalt in that location. He stated we would address the asphalt after this leak has been completely fixed. He stated the County came out to help get the fields ready for ball season and was very thankful. He stated three, four and five lift stations are down. He stated we are on an emergency bypass system until we can get it back to regular operation. He stated they have been treating the ballfields with pesticides for fire ants. He stated the fields would be locked if no one is scheduled to practice. He stated the Dominick Street project is going slow from all the rain.

Town Attorney: Mrs. Senn had nothing to report.

Town Administrator: Mrs. Livingston stated the Ethic forms are due by March 31st.

<u>Prosperity Business Association Executive Committee:</u> There was no one from the Business Association at the meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

<u>Town Square Revitalization Update</u>: Mayor Pro-tem stated the Mayor was absent from the meeting and we would table until next month.

<u>Update on Washington Street Water System Improvements Project</u>: Mrs. Livingston stated this would be discussed in Executive Session.

<u>Main Street Paving</u>: Mayor Pro-tem Chad Hawkins stated he would follow up with the Contractor to see if he could get an exact date on paving but if not it would be between April 1^{st} and May 12^{th} .

GENERAL COMMENTS:

Mayor Pro-tem Chad Hawkins stated we would keep the Mayor in our thoughts. He stated he is looking forward to the Fire Department 5K and 10K run on March 30th.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

A MOTION by Councilman Allen Gallman to move into Executive Session; seconded by Councilman Robert Martin, and so approved unanimously.

A MOTION by Councilman Allen Gallman to move out of Executive Session; seconded by Councilman Robert Martin, and so approved unanimously.

(Upon returning to open session, Council may take action on matters discussed in executive session.)

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Mayor Pro-tem stated they discussed a Contractual matter in the Electrical Department and a Contractual matter in the Water Department and there was nothing to be brought up at this time for a vote.

Mayor Pro-tem Chad Hawkins adjourned the meeting at 8:22p.m.

<u>Michelle Bundrick</u> Michelle Bundrick, Clerk/Treasurer