

Town of Triana Regular Council Meeting
Monday, October 24, 2022
6:30pm

The mayor called the meeting to order. Roll call, Council members George Ragland, Erica Hopkins, Jason Garstka, Casey Whitman, Levoneia Ayers and Mayor Mary Caudle. Members present constituted a quorum.

Legal counsel Caleb Ballew and the clerk Sharron Humphrey were also present.

Motioned by Council member Whitman to approve the minutes dated Oct. 10, 2022. Council member Garstka seconds the motion. Motion carried.

Mayor Caudle's Report: She has been notified that we did not get the Police Grant; we are still looking to hire 2 full-time police officers. Council member Hopkins asked did they say why. Mayor stated she will email council members a copy of the letter explaining why. She stated the grant was written good but there are other cities in more need of officers. We will keep applying each time the grant comes up.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

Fire & Police: Chairperson Ragland reported Fire Dept. responded to 3 outside fires, 15 emergency calls and 1 motor vehicle accident.

Police Dept. traveled 1,503 miles, made 38 traffic stops, wrote 31 warning citations, 15 traffic citations, 35 calls for service, 3 arrests and 17 reports.

Mayor reported that Officer Zivat received a Law Enforcement Award, Partnership For a Drug-Free Community from Madison County.

Mayor added that we're still looking for a paid firefighter and volunteers.

Finance: No report

Chairperson Hopkins stated it's good to be back

Utility: No Report

Parks and Recreation: Chairperson Ayers presented quotes from two different Vendors to repair the automatic door at the library. Motion by Council member Whitman to approve the job estimate payment from Automatic Door Ways to repair the automatic door at the library. Council member Ragland seconds the motion. Motion carried.

Ms. Ayers reported the following: The Librarian has stated they will be applying for a grant in January for \$2,000 - \$3,000. She's asking if someone can come out and look at the current raised beds, do some elevated beds behind the library and do some gardening. Anyone with suggestions can contact the librarian.

TARCOG office building is closed due to water damage they are not sure when they will reopen, they are willing to continue to help.

The Triana Warriors have 3 teams still playing, the 8-youth blue team is undefeated they're on their way to the championship.

We had up to 17 participants per day during Fall break at no cost to the participants. The homeschool program is held every Tuesday from 1 to 2:30p.m. it has 11 participants.

The staff is coordinating sport teams, team building basic physical education and socialization with the kids. They are still trying to promote the walk program for seniors.

Ms. Ayers asked if the heat is working in the gym for the afterschool program and for the upcoming election which will be held in the gym. Mayor stated one of the units works. She stated we have approved to have another unit installed company is waiting for one to come in.

Ms. Ayers stated they needs to schedule a Park & Rec Board meeting as soon as possible to discuss the fees for the camps, staffing issues and a basketball team or coordination of the teams in reference to basketball.

The mats are up on the gym walls looking good.

Park & Rec Committee meeting scheduled for Friday, Nov. 4, at 6:pm

Streets & Cemetery: Chairperson Garstka reported they have installed the curve signage on Landess Cir, they need to install street signage for Murphy and Advent Dr. We received street signpost from the County. Need to schedule street sign installation for Tybee and Zierdt & 6th intersection.

RESOLUTIONS, ORDINANCES, ORDERS AND OTHER BUSINESS:

Mayor reported Madison City celebrated 25 years of their school system conjunction with Triana on last Sunday. They told the history of how the two municipalities came together, Triana & Madison.

Council member Whitman stated several people have asked about the dirt work that's been going on at the old Greenway facility on Zierdt Rd. they asked if there are any potential building going on. He stated he reached out to the County Engineer and the County Subdivision Supervisor they reassured him that there's been no residential plans submitted there under their jurisdiction. The only things he's knows is that they're storing dirt from other subdivision properties.

Council member Hopkins reported that Angela Walker reached out to her about coming to speak with the seniors again. Mayor stated Ms. Walker is part of NASA and a part of UAB. Mayor stated they will get with Ms. Ola who works with the seniors after the meeting.

Mayor reported we hired a maintenance person who started work today. He will be working part-time 7-11 except for days when they read water meters. We are still looking for a full-time person.

Council member Ragland stated he will be on call for emergencies only in the Water Dept. Mayor thanked Mr. Ragland for being there for us and helping during this time.

Council member Ragland stated he has been asked for an update on the surplus vehicles. Mayor stated we have set the price for the vehicles, and we have the release from the state on the patrol car. We can now start accepting sealed bids from Oct. 26th 7am thru Nov. 9th at 4pm. We will open bids on Nov. 10th at 6pm. The 2 patrol cars won't be released until the decals have been removed.

Council member Garstka stated its flu shot season he asked do we know of anyone coming to give shots for our citizens. Mayor stated we have no one scheduled here but Council member Ayers announced last meeting that flu shots were being given at the Madison Municipal Building and that they opened it up to the public if anyone wants to go.

Council member Hopkins asked did we do anything for Breast Cancer Awareness? Mayor stated we normally do a walk but that no one came to us this year.

Council Member Ayers reported she attended the Community Action meeting on last Tuesday, Oct 18th it was reported that everything was open as far as opportunities for heating assistance which includes gas if you meet the

criteria to come in and fill out an application. They also have transportation for dialysis you will have to contact them and let them know your appointment, they have rapid rehousing, homeless prevention. They're also helping with weatherization. Mayor reported that thru Community Action if you need water assistance to also contact them.

Ms. Ayers stated Community Action wants to come and do a presentation to give more information on the water assistance. Triana is the only town at this time that has accepted to have that funding. Mayor stated the reason is Huntsville does them (water & electric) together and they did not want to separate, and City of Madison wasn't interested at this time.

Council member Whitman report he and the mayor talked to the developer for Brookfield Manor regarding the mail issue on the Oct. 11th asking them if they were ready to move forward, he informed him that he would reach out to Adams Homes and work with them to get the mode of delivery signed so the post office could move forward to do street side for Alonzo Toney Dr and do cluster box units for Gwinnett.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Francis Goggins reported he has still not received any mail, it's been 7months and 2 days. Mr. Goggins stated to the Council to ask the developer if he has received his signed letter from the post office approving his plan. Mayor stated she received an email from the Post Office that it was ok for Alonzo Toney Dr to receive mail and that the developer has agreed to sign along with Adams Homes.

Roy Seay asked for the list of vehicles to be sold.

Council member Whitman read off the following list of vehicles to be sold with minimum a bid:

- 2007 Chevy Malibu/White \$750
- 2005 Ford Taurus/Gray \$800
- 2003 F150/White \$300
- Backhoe / Yellow \$2,000
- 2011 Chevy Police / Black \$2,000
- 2011 Police Interceptor/ White \$ 1,100
- 1980's Ford Tract/ Blue \$500.00

Mayor stated the list of vehicles to be sold will be posted.

Roy Seay stated they will be doing the Juanita's Christmas again this year in the Fire Dept from 10am-12pm. They are trying to recruit some volunteers and bring attention to the Fire Dept.

Mr. Seay asked if the town was having a Christmas parade. Mayor stated the church normally heads it up she has not heard anything from them. She will let him know.

Moved and properly seconded to adjourn.

Date Approved 11-14-2022

Sharron Humphrey
Sharron Humphrey, Town Clerk-Treasurer

May [Signature]
Mayor or Chair Pro Tempore