

June 13, 2016

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Vice-Mayor Nathan Lewis with prayer and salute to the flag. In attendance: Lewis, Rudd, Nichols and Roddenberry.

The minutes from the previous meeting were approved as presented by the Clerk. Motion by Rudd, second by Roddenberry, passed 4/0.

City Clerk, Ashley Schilling, reported the 2016 Ford Explorer was purchased at a cost of \$26,695.00.

Public Works Director, Leonard Tartt, informed the Council that Welch Land Development has the elevation/grade plans for the Depot Park and will have a cost ready by the next meeting.

The 1st public hearing was held to amend Ordinance 2014-01 – read by title only, no action needed.

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SOPCHOPPY PROVIDING FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF A TEMPORARY COUNCIL MEMBER TO FILL VACANCIES CAUSED BY THE DEATH, RESIGNATION OR REMOVAL FROM OFFICE OF INCUMBENT COUNCIL MEMBERS AND FOR APPOINTING A REPLACEMENT CANDIDATE IN THE EVENT OF VACANCIES IN CANDIDACY CAUSED BY DEATH, WITHDRAWAL OR REMOVAL FROM THE BALLOT OF A QUALIFIED CANDIDATE FOLLOWING THE END OF THE QUALIFYING PERIOD AND WHICH LEAVES FEWER THAN TWO CANDIDATES FOR AN OFFICE, PROVIDING THAT THE SEAT HELD BY THE REPLACEMENT COUNCIL MEMBER SHALL BE FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE UNEXPIRED TERM OF THE SEAT VACATED; PROVIDING FOR RETROACTIVE APPLICATION, PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Andy Easton was present to discuss the CDBG grant cycle. Council discussed two options; upgrading water main on Surf Road and storm water improvements. A motion was made by Nichols for Andy Easton to work with Leonard Tartt and Ashley Schilling to begin the application process, second by Rudd, passed 4/0.

The Tourist Development Council contacted the City requesting Council consider appointing a member to the TDC. Councilman Nichols agreed to be the representative for the City.

Leonard Tartt reported on the current grinder pump issue. The complaint that was filed with the Health Department has been handled and DEP is satisfied with the paperwork presented to them. Councilmen Lewis and Rudd instructed Attorney Cox to contact DEP regarding changing the City's status as "responsible party" since the SRF loan is satisfied and easements are no longer valid.

Mr. Tartt also reported on the 319 realignment project. There were a couple of issues on the job site. Survey lines were off 63' on Hwy 98, due to DOT having two benchmarks with same ID number resulting in lines being laid in wrong place; and, on 319, 40-50' of line must be lowered in certain areas. These issues should be corrected at no cost to the City.

The financial and adjustment reports were approved by signature of the Council.

June 27 will be a special called meeting for the purpose of hearing the 2014-15 audit results as presented by auditor Chris Cayer.

The Depot Committee contacted Clerk Schilling asking approval to appoint Chris Humphrey to the committee. A motion was made by Rudd to approve appointment, second by Nichols, passed 4/0.

There is an IEMO training in October in Orlando. Any Councilmember interested in attending needs to let Ashley Schilling know prior to the registration period.

Public Works Director, Leonard Tartt, asked the Council for approval to contact other engineering firms to see if the BDI fees (\$68,900) for the Cas-Ora project is in line with other companies. Approval was given, and Mr. Tartt will report back to the Council with his findings.

Mr. Tartt also indicated the need for the City to purchase a dump trailer to be used in the water department. There is a 6 ton trailer at Lee Trailer Sales in Tallahassee for \$6,899.00. A motion to approve the purchase was made by Nichols, second by Rudd, passed 4/0.

Also, Mr. Tartt asked for authority to surplus the 2004 Ford Explorer, at a minimum bid of \$3,000 and the 2002 Ford F150 from the Park at a minimum bid of \$1,500. Motion made by Nichols, second by Roddenberry, passed 4/0.

Councilman Roddenberry informed the Council he had been contacted by Chris Russell, asking permission to include a flyer in our monthly bills, however, our mailer does not support this.

With no further business, a motion to adjourn was made by Roddenberry, seconded by Rudd, 4/0.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45.