

MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
WAUSAU TOWN COUNCIL
SEPTEMBER 10, 2020
WAUSAU TOWN HALL CHAMBERS
1607 SECOND AVENUE, WAUSAU FL 32463
6:00 PM

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| Berna Palmer | Roger D. Hagan | Judy Carter | Shirley Rightenburg | John Walsingham |
| Mayor | Mayor Pro-Tem | Member | Member | Member |
| Present | Present | Present | Present | Present |

- I. PROCLAMATION: Mayor Palmer called the meeting to order, welcomed everyone present, invocation by Mack Glover, Pastor of Discovery Church, and Pledge of Allegiance by all.
- II. CONSENT AGENDA: The following items on the consent agenda were approved with a motion by Mr. Hagan, for discussion, Mr. Hagan stated that he had a question about an expense in the amount of \$5500.00 to Griffin Heavy Equipment. Mr. Hagan asked for an explanation of the expense. Mrs. Palmer stated that this expense was for trees that were dead and that she was worried that with the storm coming that these trees would fall costing the town more than the expense to remove the trees, Mrs. Palmer stated that she felt the decision was the right one and that this was an emergency situation. Mr. Hagan stated that he did not have a problem with the removal of the trees but the way it was done. Mr. Hagan asked the members if they were aware of this expense prior to it happening? Mrs. Rightenburg stated that she was not aware of this expense until now. Ms. Carter stated that she had been called and knew about the tree cutting, Mr. Walsingham stated that he also knew about the expense. Mr. Hagan stated that if two members could be called why not four? Mrs. Palmer stated that she stood by her initial decision have the trees cut. No more discussion on this issue, second Mr. Walsingham, motion carried with Hagan, Carter, Walsingham, Rightenburg , and Palmer voting Yes. The consensus of the Council was to leave off the Payment of Town Bills off future consent agendas. Clerk will do so.
 - A. Approval of the Agenda:
 - B. Payment of Town Bills:
 - C. Fire Department Minutes:
 - D. Minutes:
 - E. Financials: Reconciled Statements, Profit and Loss, Trial Balance

III. AGENDA AUDIENCE:

- Jody Bush: Mayor Palmer recognized Mrs. Jody Bush; Mrs. Bush stated that she was present to invite the Council to the local Prayer March to be held in conjunction with the National Prayer March on September 26, 2020 beginning at 8:00 AM. Mrs. Bush encouraged the members of the council to support this event. (Flyer Attached) Council thanked Mrs. Bush and wished her success in her endeavor.
- Treasures Home School Group: (Request Attached) Mrs. Chris Owens addressed the council on their request to use the Possum Palace on the first Wednesday of every month. After discussion, motion by Mr. Hagan, second Ms. Carter, to table this request until after the Possum Palace renovations have been completed, motion carried with Hagan, Carter, Walsingham, Rightenburg, and Palmer voting Yes.
- D& B Builders: (Email Attached) Mr. Joel Hamilton, General Superintendent was present to answer any questions concerning the Email After discussion, motion by Ms. Carter, second Mr. Walsingham, to grant D & B Builders a 33 day extension as requested motion carried with Hagan, Carter, Walsingham, Rightenburg, and Palmer voting Yes.
- Cliff Knauer/Shelton Stone: Possum Palace Project Update: Shelton Stone was present and stated that the design was 95% complete and should be complete and ready to advertise and let the bid at the November meeting. Council stressed to Mr. Stone the importance of getting this project moving due to grant deadlines. Mr. Stone asked the members to authorize the advertisement of the project since we would not meet again before he could possibly need to advertise. Mr. Stone assured the council that he will be working diligently. After discussion motion by motion Mr. Hagan to authorize the advertisement of the bid for the Possum Palace Project, second Mrs. Rightenburg, motion carried with Hagan, Carter, Walsingham, Rightenburg, and Palmer voting Yes.

IV. NON-AGENDA AUDIENCE: Effective October 1, 2013, Florida Statute 286.0114 mandates that "members of the public shall be given a reasonable opportunity to be heard on a proposition before a Board or Commission." Everyone shall have three (3) minutes to speak on the proposition before the Council.

V. Tabled Items: (Clerk will Report on these items)

- Young Request for partial street closing: This issue was tabled for the Clerk to get the block corners marked and the exact encroachment of the ramp. Clerk will get this done prior to the next meeting.

VI. Clerk:

- Request from Robert and Donna Young: This was done under the tabled items.
- Report from FDOT on mowing on SR 77: Clerk reported that she had spoken with FDOT in Marianna and that informed her that they do the mowing on the state roads but have no problem with the town mowing in between times if the Council so desired. After discussion with all the members agreeing that the Skag did not need to be mowing the heavy grass on the sides of 77 and Pioneer Road, Mayor Palmer stated that it looked much better mowed in between the State or County mowing. Mayor Palmer stating that she would entertain a motion to mow State Road 77 and Pioneer Road inside the City limits with the Finish Mower, Mr. Hagan made a motion second Mr. Walsingham, to mow within the City limits on State Road 77 and Pioneer with the finish mower, motion carried with Hagan, Carter, Walsingham, Rightenburg and Palmer voting Yes.
- Water Reports and copies of letter sent to delinquent customers: Clerk presented the members with the delinquent list. (attached)
- Noise Ordinance: First Reading of Ordinance No. 2020-001: Clerk read Ordinance No. 2020-001 by title (attached) after discussion motion by Ms. Carter, second Mr. Hagan to adopt the first reading of Ordinance No. 2020-001 and authorize the Clerk to advertise for final adoption at the October regular meeting, motion carried with Rightenburg, Walsingham, Carter, Hagan and Palmer voting Yes.
- 2020-2021 FY Budget: First Reading of 2020-002 Budget Ordinance: Clerk read by title Ordinance 2020-002 an Ordinance adopting a budget for the Fiscal Year 2020-2021. Motion by Ms. Carter, second Mr. Walsingham, to approve the first reading of Ordinance 2020-002 and authorize the Clerk to advertise the Ordinance, motion carried with Hagan, Walsingham, Carter Rightenburg, and Palmer voting Yes.
- Final Budget Hearing and Adoption: September 24, 2020 5:01 PM: Motion by Mrs. Rightenburg, second Mr. Hagan to set the final budget hearing and adoption on September 24, 2020 at 5:01 PM, motion carried with Hagen, Rightenburg, Walsingham, Carter, and Palmer voting Yes.
- Employee Workshop: September 24, 2020 5:30 PM: After discussion this was set at the end of the meeting.
- Clerk reported that we had been awarded both FRDAP Grants and are awaiting contract documents.

- VII. Member Judy Carter: Nothing
- VIII. Member Shirley Rightenburg: Mrs. Rightenburg asked about the mowing in both of the parks, Clerk stated that this would fall under Mr. Hallmark beginning in October when the new Fiscal Year began. Mrs. Rightenburg also asked Mr. Hallmark about the quarterly calendar so that all members know about events prior to them happening. Mr. Hallmark stated that he would provide this at the quarterly meetings.
- IX. Member John Walsingham: Nothing
- X. Mayor Pro-Tem Roger Hagan: Mr. Hagan expressed his concerns of David going to Chipley for lunch and stated that he had been in contact with Mr. Carter on this issue and asked the members to consider paying employees for their lunch hours in case they done something for the town on their set lunch hour. More discussion on this issue with Mayor Palmer stating that she seen no problem with the way it is now. This will be brought back at a future meeting when Attorney Carter is present.
- XI. Mayor Berna Palmer: Nothing
- XII. Steve Hallmark: Mr. Hallmark stated that the trunk or treat was scheduled for the 31st and stated that he was going to meet with the Fire Department and if they were not going to do a fish fry he would like to do one as a fund raiser, he will address this at the meeting on the 24th.
- XIII. Adjournment: Motion by Mr. Hagan, Second Ms. Carter to recess the meeting until September 24th at 5:15 PM, motion carried with Hagan, Carter, Walsingham, Rightenburg and Palmer Voting Yes.

Margaret Riley, Clerk

Berna Palmer, Mayor