City of Luthersville

Council Minutes March 14, 2023

Council Members Present:

Mayor Donald Cuttie, Concetta Amey, Ricky Amey, Vallarie Cuttie, Paul Parker

Work Session:

The work session began at 5:48 p.m. with the Mayor and City Council discussing the items on the agenda, and then the work session ended at 6:00 p.m. followed by the regular monthly council meeting.

Call to Order:

Mayor Cuttie called the March, 2023, council meeting to order.

Invocation

Council Member Concetta Amey gave the invocation.

Pledge Allegiance

Mayor Cuttie led everyone present at the meeting with the pledge to the American flag.

Adopt Agenda

Concetta Amey made a motion, seconded by Vallarie Cuttie, and passed unanimously, to adopt the March agenda with one change to amend the Unfinished Business, item No. 2, to include the discussion of Recreation for the complex pavilion.

Public Hearing

Routine Business

Approval of Minutes:

Paul Parker made a motion, seconded by Vallarie Cuttie, and passed unanimously, to approve the February 14, 2023 minutes.

Financial Reports:

Paul Parker made a motion, seconded by Vallarie Cuttie, and passed unanimously, to approve the February Gen & Admin, and the Water System Financial Reports.

Departmental Reports

Mayor's Report

Mayor Cuttie Reported the Following:

1. That the City published in "The Star Mercury – Meriwether Vindicator" and the "Newnan Times-Heard" requests for proposals for lawn service for the city and the submission date of Friday, March 10th with no response. Therefore, we have published the RFQ again with a due date of April 7, 2023. And a couple of companies have already shown interest.

2. That the emergency siren is ready to begin testing, but the holdup is the programming codes from 911. And 911 has been inundated with FEMA response to the recent tornado in the county.

3. That Malease Berg has agreed to assist with the development of the update to the county's comprehensive plan.

4. That the Coleman Creek Bridge project by GDOT is finally underway and the project should take 6 - 9 months to complete. And the alternative route to use due to the road closure is Highway 54 to Highway 100 for access to Greenville etc.

5. That in February at Unity Elementary there was a program called "Real People Read." And the book selected and given to me by the Chamber of Commerce was "The Rooster that Would not be Quiet." The reading event was exciting and rewarding interacting with children, and after the story was a sort of quiz time and the children were attentive. Also, March 31^{st} is Career Day at Unity with reading to the $3^{rd} - 5^{th}$ -grade students.

6. That on April 15^{th} is the cook-off from 1 - 6 pm and is sponsored by Total Faith Church.

7. That on Wednesday, April 19th at 1:00 pm a public meeting will be held at the complex cafetorium to discuss the sewerage system.

8. That on April 29th from 10 am to 4 pm, Mary Bray will hold a walk-a-thon at the city hall complex.

Unfinished Business

1. Request for a Business License by Malkit Singh for a Pizza and Wing Café' and Located at 6 East Oak St.:

A. J. Singh was present at the council meeting to answer questions that the council had concerning what products were to be sold at the store etc. And he mentioned that he would be selling tobacco products, some food, and EBT products and that it would be an extension of the Family Dollar. In addition, he would provide a check cashing service. And at this time parking will be in the back of the location, but with no rear entrance to the store.

Next, Paul Parker made a motion, seconded by Vallarie Cuttie and passed unanimously, for the city to grant Mr. Singh a business license with the application name change of AJ's Marketplace.

2. Discussion of Recreation for the Complex Pavilion:

Mr. Parker mentioned that he had an additional quote for hand railing for the pavilion, but the Mayor recently informed him that Safebuilt, who inspects property for the county, said that the height of the concrete pad did not exceed the limitation necessary for handrails. And given that information, the Mayor recommended outdoor seating for the pavilion and that Paul Parker and he would be looking into the products.

New Business

1. Planning Review for the City of Luthersville:

Included in the council packets was a listing of recommendations by the Mayor and to be reviewed every two years for possible updates to projects. And if some of the items on the list would need to be included in the 2024 capital budget process.

A few of the bullet points on the list that were mentioned are as follows:

*The Expanded use of Social Media – Such as the city's website, and possibly expand to a Luthersville Facebook page, or maybe start a social media committee to assist with these types of projects.

*Library Events – The library will be open in the future, and the reconfiguration of the library it would make for some volunteer opportunities. In addition, looking into the possible hiring of a 1099 contractor to assist with the shelving and book placement. Then, to hold possible educational, informational events for the community.

* Manage Land Use and Infrastructure - He touched on recreation, and not only physical contact sports but other types of sports for kids and seniors too.

*Connect Education and Personal Wellness – He thought that it would be a good idea to hold classes on wellness that would affect the seniors and community by scheduling education classes in example - CPR training, babysitting training, etc.

Public Comments: Limited to Three Minutes

Attorney Comments:

Council Member Comments:

Executive Session:

Adjournment:

There being no further business to discuss, Ricky Amey made a motion, seconded by Concetta Amey, and passed unanimously, to end the meeting.