Town Council Meeting Minutes

Wednesday February 11th, 2015

Roll Call: Michael Perkins, Chairman

Byron Wrigley, Sr.

Mark Fisher

Dana Wrigley
Donald Borman

Others present: Gary Bowman, Town Manager Janice I

Jon Cox Stephanie Fecteau

Janice Porter, Town Clerk
Boyd Snowden, Superintendant

of the Sewer Department

Business Agenda:

1. It was moved by Dana Wrigley seconded by Byron Wrigley, Sr., and voted 5-0 to approve the minutes of the meeting held January 26th 2015, and to sign the disbursement warrants.

- 2. It was moved by Dana Wrigley seconded by Byron Wrigley, Sr., and voted 4-1(Mark Fisher opposed) authorizing Fire Chief Coughlin to proceed with an application for a "Safer Grant" which would pay for 2 (two) full time fire department positions for two (2) years. The vote was taken with the understanding that Council members are endorsing the application process but that the results of receiving a grant will be discussed further.
- 3. It was moved by Dana Wrigley seconded by Donald Borman and voted 5-0 to approve/accept the transfer of forfeiture assets generated by joint participation of the Oakland Police Department, criminal case in Augusta Superior Court Docket No. CR-14-1284. Municipal approval is in anticipation of the final order of forfeiture but cautioned that the town should not encumber funds or property until a Final Order is received. Councilor members requested further information on the possible uses for the funds received.

Managers Report:

1. It was moved by Donald Borman seconded by Byron Wrigley, Sr., and voted 5-0 authorizing the Sewer Superintendant, Boyd Snowden, to seek a partial grant from the DEP to pay for part of the cost of the purchase of meters, for use in determining the flow in certain areas. Boyd reported to Council members that the system has received over 154 million gallons of rain and runoff water that has seeped into the current system in the past two (2) years. Letters have been sent to all sewer users requesting them to schedule an appointment with Boyd for inspection of their homes. The inspections will be very time consuming but is needed to determine the problem areas within the Town and the need to remove the clear water from the system.

2. It was moved by Donald Borman seconded by Byron Wrigley, Sr., and voted 5-0 to approve posting a public hearing and first reading, to be held February 25th, to discuss a proposed amendment to the "Solicitors and Itinerant Vendor Ordinance".

Other:

1. Exempt Properties - Councilors requested the listing of all properties in town that are currently exempt from property taxes. This information will be provided at the next meeting.

Adjournment – It was moved by Byron Wrigley, Sr., seconded by Mark Fisher and voted 5-0 to adjourn at 7:00 pm.