Town of Savanna

Council Meeting Minutes

July 10, 2023 at 7pm

Savanna Public Works Authority

Meeting called to Order by Coy

Roll Call: Coy, Chad, Nathan, and Robbye: Asbent

Attendances: Fire Chief Jeff Jones, Chief Matt Hines, Asst. Police Orrin Gragert, City Attorney Pat Layden, City Public Accountant George M Kerns, SPWA Foreman Coty Dedman and Justin Baker from Heritage Waste.

- 1. Motion by Coy to Approve Minutes of June 12, 2023 Council Meeting, 2nd by Nathan; Votes: Coy Yes Chad Yes Nathan Yes
- 2. Motion by Coy to Approve Current Claims, 2nd by Nathan; Votes: Coy Yes Chad Yes Nathan Yes
- 3. Financial Report and Budget 2023/2024; George Kerns C.P.A. presented to Council Financial Report with the budget stating he figured in a cushion and looking good based off of past year information. Motion by Coy to Approve Financial Report and budget preview, 2nd by Chad; Votes: Coy Yes Chad Yes Nathan Yes
- 4. Switching Trash Services-Justin Baker told council he couldn't fully compete with Republic, but can offer better service for the town residents plus having smaller trucks it would help decrease damage to the town streets. Contract with Republic expired June 30, 2023 and have increased rates by 60%. Heritage would give churches and businesses the choice to choose carts or dumpsters. Coty would be in charge of carts (stock, picking up/dropping off when residents move, etc.) They would likely do all pickups on Fridays and could start August 11, 2023. Clean Day option 3 big dumpsters once a year. Pat Layden is going to look over the current contract with Republic Services if there is no clause town plans to terminate contract August 7, 2023. Motion by Coy to Approve switching to Heritage Waste if current contract with Republic can be terminated, 2nd by Nathan; Votes: Coy Yes Chad Yes Nathan Yes
- 5. SWPA Rates: Council discussed raising rates. Motion by Coy to raise Trash Rates 5% and users using roughly 5000 gallons or more of water town will raise water rates 2%, 2nd by Nathan; Votes: Coy Yes Chad Yes Nathan Yes
- 6. Water Adjustments; None

- 7. New Business; Backhoe was hauled to shop due to black smoke, waiting to get a review of damage. Town may have to rent a black hoe while it is being repaired. No Action.
- 8. Public Discussion; None.

Motion to Adjourn by Coy, 2nd by Nathan; Votes: Coy - Absent Chad – Yes Nathan – Yes

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- 1. Motion by Coy to Approve Minutes of June 12, 2023 Council Meeting, 2nd by Nathan; Votes: Coy Yes Chad Yes Nathan Yes
- Council reviewed and signed Purchase Orders. Council discussed doing a blanket P.O. and getting an Amazon card to order School Supplies. Motion by Coy to Approve Current Claims, 2nd by Nathan; Votes: Coy - Yes Chad – Yes Nathan - Yes
- 3. Financial Report and 23/24 Budget; George Kerns C.P.A. presented Council with the Financial Report and 23/24 Budget. Council and CPA discussed amending last year's budget and moving more into the Police Budget to offset balances between general and police due to benefits etc. 300,000 was figured into the budget if the town votes to build a new senior citizens/community center. Mike shared there is enough in the street and alley budget if a new back hoe is needed, but the town would like to just repair the backhoe. Motion by Coy to Approve Financial Report and 2023/2024 Budget, 2nd by Nathan; Votes: Coy Yes Chad Yes Nathan Yes
- 4. Grants; Tabled by Coy.
- 5. Police Department Business; Police Chief Matthew Hines shared the dept. report which included the financials for the previous month and that the marijuana ordinance will need to be corrected due to some errors recently found. Matt has been talking PSO about the lights around the walking track and playground trying to get LED one put in. PD is fully staffed and they have combined two of the clerk positions into one at least for the next 6-9 months, but so far it is working out good. No Action Needed.

- 6. Fire Business Department; Jeff Jones shared both sirens should be on the same frequency in the next couple of weeks. CPR and AED training with be coming due end of the year so looking at getting training scheduled. No Action Needed
- 7. New Business; None
- 8. Public Discussions; None

Motion to Adjourn by Coy, 2nd by Nathan; Votes: Coy - Yes Chad – Yes Nathan – Yes.

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