

Town of Savanna

Council Meeting Minutes

June 12, 2023 at 7pm

Savanna Public Works Authority

Meeting called to Order by Coy

Roll Call: Coy, Chad, Nathan, and Robbye

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 Kim Holt.

1. Motion by Coy to Approve Minutes of May 8, 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 Preview Budget 2023/2024; George Kerns C.P.A. presented to Council Financial Report with the preview budget stating water and sale taxes look good. Ahead for the year to date. Budget is looking good and should be pretty good based for the current year. Mike asked about trash rates and details, he will get with Ebony on getting that information. Motion by Coy to Approve Financial Report and budget preview, 2nd by Chad; Votes: Coy - Absent Chad – Yes Nathan – Yes
4. SWPA Rates: Ebony and Mike will look at the rate per cart and the town charges residents. Contract is up in July, so we need to prepare to look that over. Matt shared the town was told they will continue to be charged for stolen carts. Mike suggested a 3 to 5% Rate increase specially for the trash rate due to Republic Services increasing rates again. Town Clerk will add water, sewer, and trash rate increases to next month's agenda. Tabled by Coy.
5. Water Adjustments; None
6. New Business; None.
7. Public Discussion; None.

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

Town Clerk

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Coy Holt
Nathan
Chad Gralan

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2. Surplus Silent Auction: No Bids were accepted so items will go into storage as backups.
3. Motion by Coy to Approve Current Claims, 2nd by Nathan; Votes: Coy - Yes Chad – Yes Nathan - Yes
4. Financial Report and 23/24 Preview Budget; George Kerns C.P.A. presented Council with the Financial Report and 23/24 Preview Budget. Council and CPA discussed Holiday Pay, Dept. Budgets, and equipment bought that will last more than a year will go onto the Capital Budget. Coy had ask Mike last month if there was room in the budget but possibly build a new senior/ community center, after reviewing the budget Mike told the council it look possible. Coy shared due to recent news he received about a popular property in Savanna possible being bought the town may need to use those funds set for the center to go towards a new property for town students/residents like a sport complex possibly. No decision has been made but something to think about in case. Motion by Coy to Approve Financial Report and Preview Budget, 2nd by Nathan; Votes: Coy - Yes Chad – Yes Nathan - Yes
5. Fire Dept. Annual Pay: The town in the past as always paid the firefighters for runs and training. Council reviewed and signed the Town PO with the total amount for the year 22/23. Motion by Coy to Approve Fire Pay, 2nd by Nathan; Votes: Coy- Yes Chad- Yes Nathan- Yes
6. Citation Issuing Software; Police Chief shared the PD currently using Digticket and the company is raising its rate, so He found a company Tyler Technology that provides the same services and is more advanced since they can use the ISO through the PD tablets. The new software does have a high startup fee but the town will save 38,000 in the long run. Council and Matt discussed the pros and cons of both companies. Motion by Coy to Switch to Tyler Tech. for the Police Dept., 2nd by Nathan; Votes: Coy – Yes Nathan – Yes Chad - Yes

7. Grants; ARPA Ebony was able to complete what was needed online. Shelia asked for info on Police School Resource Officer Grant, so hoping to receive that soon. Tabled by Coy.
8. Celebrate Savanna Day; School Band is already booked so only David Spears will be providing music. Red(Fire) vs. Blue(Police) challenges. Robbye got the Grand Stage booked. Fireworks will be at the same location. No Action Needed.
9. 101 4TH STREET PROPERTY; Pat called TFCU but hasn't received a call back, so it appears we have hit a roadblock on this property. Remove from the Agenda.
10. Police Department Business; Police Chief Matthew Hines shared the dept. report which included the financials for the previous month. Court Clerks attended the training this past week. No Action Needed.
11. Fire Business Department; Jeff Jones shared dept. is good and no news at this time. No Action Needed
12. New Business; Coy asked to add SPWA Discussion to the Agendas. Coy asked SPWA Foreman Coty Dedman if there was anything he needed to share or ask Council, he asked about the clothing allowance. Council discussed how much the allowance should be and what it should be used for. Motion by Coy to Approve \$700.00 Clothing Allowance for all permanent non-office and non-uniform City Employees, 2nd by Nathan; Votes: Coy – Yes Nathan – Yes Chad - Yes
13. Public Discussions; None

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

Town Clerk

Kate Ingersoll

Council Members

Coy Hall
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