

Town of Grantsboro
Regular Meeting of the Town Council
May 4, 2021

Minutes

The Grantsboro Town Council met on Tuesday, May 4, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. in the Town Hall. Attending were: Mayor Julia Lee, Mayor Pro-tem Tom Newman, Ray Poole, Kristie Mitchell, TW Harris, Evelyn Paul, and Ray Lewis, Clerk. Planning Board Chair Nichole Buck was also present.

Mayor Lee called the meeting to order, and Lewis offered the invocation. A quorum was established for the meeting. The agenda was approved upon a motion by Harris, seconded by Mitchell and carried. The minutes from the April meeting were approved upon a motion by Mitchell, seconded by Harris and carried.

Lewis presented the finance report for the month of April, which reflected \$7398.55 in revenues, and expenses of \$3505.94. Total funds were reported at \$240,371.70. A motion to approve the finance report as presented was made by Paul, seconded by Newman and carried.

Old Business

Discussion was had concerning the electrical and plumbing connections for the CDBG Sewer project at the 12 households that are above the income limit. Those homeowners will be responsible for the cost of those connections, and will need to obtain a contractor to do the work.

Lewis presented a new updated connection list with 28 households that desire to be connected to the sewer system. A motion to approve the list was made by Mitchell, seconded by Newman and carried.

New Business

Lewis shared information from a letter that was sent by the Craven Pamlico Regional Library. The Library is asking all municipalities in Pamlico County to consider donating a minimum of \$1 per resident (\$610 for Grantsboro) annually to help support the Library financially. After some discussion, a motion to make a one time donation of \$610 was made by Newman, seconded by Mitchell and carried.

Lewis, as a representative of Rock of Zion Church, shared with the Council that the Church wanted to install lighting on their sign that is located along Hwy 55. The current Town

sign ordinance prohibits illumination of signs. Lewis has spoken with Pamlico County Building Inspector Ray Bennett for some guidance, and he suggested using solar lights which would not require a permit or electrical connections, unless the Town wanted to consider amending the ordinance. The Council asked which the church preferred, and Lewis informed them that solar lighting would actually be the preference, but still the Church would like to be given approval by the Town. A motion to do so was made by Paul, seconded by Newman and carried.

Lewis presented a copy of the proposed budget for fiscal year 2021-22 for review by the Town Council. A public hearing will be scheduled for June 1 to receive public input and consider any changes before adoption at the June 1 regular meeting.

Following a brief comment period, the meeting was adjourned on a motion by Poole, seconded by Mitchell and carried.

The next regular meeting of the Town Council is scheduled for June 1, 2021, along with a public hearing before the meeting for the proposed 2021-22 budget.

Respectfully submitted,

Julia Lee, Mayor

Ray Lewis, Clerk