

February 6, 2020

7 pm

Atkinson Town Board Meeting

Attending: Mayor Elton Newkirk, Clerk Margie Craver, Commissioners Dee Turner, Denise Lewis, Gary Alsup, Bryan Stewart and Town Attorney Robert Keenan, Jason Turner, Call to order by Mayor Elton Newkirk

Prayer – Gary Alsup

Pledge of Allegiance – All Motion by Ray, Dee second - all in favor.

Minutes – No approval was made at this meeting for January

Public Meeting – Amending existing parking ordinance for Class A and Class B Commercial Trucks.

No overnight parking.

Per Commissioner Dee Turner; Dan Allen from DOT said once adopted, they can enforce the ordinance. They want to inspect the signs and make sure they comply with DOT standards.

MOTION BY: Dee Turner 2nd Bryan Stewart - all in favor

Mayor:

Wants to work together with the board on getting things accomplished to make the Town better.

Denise:

Responsible for the Park. Check and make sure maintenance needs are reported. Also assigned section 3 of the Town for maintenance issues etc...

Bryan:

Section 4 of Town –

Dee:

Section 1 of Town –

Gary:

Section 2 of Town –

Each section should have maintenance needs reported, citizen concerns reported to the board.

Mayor asked for a motion to accept sections assigned as the Mayor had discussed.

Robert Keenan - would be better if the board worked together.

Denise Lewis would like for Dee to have the Park since that is what she does for the county.

No motion made

Per Dee and board – put money in the budget for the park improvements.

Chris Halligan – (citizen)

No money has been spent on the Parks in years.

We have new residents and children that would use it.

Public would like to see some improvements.

FD Report

- See printed Report and Folder
- If there are any issues or concerns regarding the FD, bring them to the attention of Jason Turner; the Fire Chief. He needs to know of any concerns or problems so they can be addressed .

Clerk Report

Discussed issues about 911 address numbers, Dee has spoken with county and they are going to check. The problems seem to be with the delivery people, not the 911

Library Report

Old Business

- Dee Turner took existing maintenance duties and created a current job description for the position of maintenance worker for the Town. Will have one done for the Clerk and Librarian as well.

MAINTENANCE JOB DESCRIPTION MOTION TO APPROVE

Bryan Stewart / Gary Alsup – all in favor

- Put the Tractor back in the garage so it is covered.
- Drug Store / Cafeteria Report
Needs further testing for a complete cost analysis. Appears to be sound but cannot tell internally as far as the structure goes. Does the board want to carry it further?
Per Bryan Stewart and the Mayor – the cafeteria would be better served to spend the money on to fix. Per Denise Lewis and Gary Alsup; spend the money on the cafeteria instead of the drug store.
Jack Turner asked would it be better (\$) to tear down or fix it up. Cost wise...

Tom Gay:

The FD were the only ones that could use the kitchen. Per William Rivenbark, if the electric was ever turned off it would not be turned back on until the Elec was brought up to code.

The gym would be a more lucrative investment than the cafeteria. Much more versatile as far as uses.

Electrical in the gym can support a kitchen and/or A/C system

Robert Keenan explained the budget process to the public attendees.

Robert explained the Powell Bill process as well to Tom Gay.

New Business

- Bryan Stewart recommended purchasing a truck for the maintenance department for the Town. He asked the citizens to let the Town know of anything they might find that would suit the needs of the maintenance dept.
- There will be a community watch meeting Feb 20 at 6:30 pm in the gym.
- Denise would like Leslie Lewis to come to the next meeting and go over what services she supplies for the water system and the Town.
- Put the Tractor back in the garage so it is covered.

Call to open closed session.

Motion to adjourn

Open meeting to adjourn: Dee Turner / Gary Alsup

Meeting adjourned 8:40 PM

Respectfully Submitted by: Margie Craver, Town Clerk