**MINUTES**

**Town of Atkinson**

**Regular Meeting & Budget Hearing**

**September 2, 2021 – 7:00 PM**

**Honorable Mayor Wendell Newkirk; Honorable Mayor Pro tempore Dee Turner; Commissioner Denise Lewis; Commissioner Bryan Stewart; Commissioner Gary Alsup**

**Town Clerk, Becky Lanier**

**Robert Kenan, Town Attorney**

**(Mayor Newkirk, 4 commissioners, Becky Lanier, Town Clerk and Robert Kenan, Town Attorney were in attendance)**

1. **Honorable Mayor Wendell Newkirk called the 08/05/2021 Regular Meeting to order.**
2. **Commissioner Gary Alsup led the prayer.**
3. **Commissioner Denise Lewis led the Pledge of Allegiance.**
4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

* **08/05/2021 Regular Meeting : Motion Commissioner Denise Lewis 2nd Commissioner Bryan Stewart Motion Carried 4-0**

1. **Approval of the Agenda:**

* **Motion Commissioner Dee Turner 2nd Commissioner Denise Lewis Motion Carried 4-0**

1. **Public Comments:**

* **Penny Stith asked about possibly having an election forum to meet the candidates.**
* **Emergency Management Director Tommy Batson stopped by the Town Meeting to introduce himself to the Mayor and Town Commissioner s as well as the Town’s People who were in attendance.**
* **Dave Householder asked for an extension on his mother in laws being able to live in her camper. He informed the Commissioners his mother in law was at the 6 month time line and he needed an extension. *Commissioner Bryan Stewart made a motion to extend the request made by Dave Householder for another 6 months Commissioner Gary Alsup 2nd and motion carried 4-0.***

1. **Public Information: None for this meeting.**
2. **Fire Department: (Fire Chief Jason Turner)**

* **See attached Fire Report**
* **Fire Department ISO inspection on September 8th Fire Chief Jason Turner feels confident about how things went and the results should be in sometime in the near future.**
* **BBQ Fundraiser is scheduled for September 18th**
* **Fire Chief Turner is working on getting a quote on straitening the connex and getting it up off the ground. Also cutting vents for circulation.**
* **Community Fall Festival October 30, 2021 4-6pm Trunk a Treat 6-7pm**

1. **Financial/Clerk Report: (Becky Lanier, Town Clerk)**
2. **Library Report: Commissioner Gary Alsup**

* **Cards**
* **Visitors 38**
* **Books 16**

1. **Maintenance Report: (Commissioner Bryan Stewart)**

* **See attached Envirolink Report**
* **Commissioner Bryan Stewart read Aaron Floyd’s report on the tasks that he performed for the town for the month of August.**

1. **Old Business:**

* **Commissioner Gary Alsup Presented the proposals form Southern Asphalt and Turner Asphalt for the paving of Red Cross Street and for resurfacing outside basketball court. (See attachments). Commissioner Gary Alsup is to get some more information and present it to the Commissioners either by email or bring to Octobers meeting. If we need to vote on it before the next meeting it can be done via email.**

1. **New Business:**

* **Southern NC Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan: Motion was made by Commissioner Dee Turner to accept SNCRMP Commissioner Denise Lewis 2nd Motion carried 4-0**
* **We discussed our Water Ordinance and different options on how to recover past due monies. We decided to table this discussion until October.**