

Town of Marshville Special Called Meeting

Wednesday, April 13, 2022 - 7:00 PM

Marshville Town Hall, 118 East Union St., Marshville, NC

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Special Called Meeting - Zoom

In Attendance: Mayor Larry Smith, (a few minutes late); Mayor Pro-tem Ernestine Staton; Council Members Gary Huntley, Paulette Blakeney, Margaret Bivens, and Monaca Marshall

Staff in Attendance: Town Manager Franklin Deese and Town Clerk Ann Sutton

Call to Order, Invocation, Pledge of Allegiance: The meeting was called to order by Mayor Pro-tem Staton. The invocation was given by Council Member Huntley. All gave the Pledge of Allegiance.

Adoption of the Agenda: Council Member Bivens made a motion to adopt the agenda. Council Member Marshall seconded the motion. All ayes.

Receive report from Wooten concerning AIA sewer study: John Grey and Kevin Wienhold from the Wooten Company presented a PowerPoint with the results of our Asset Inventory and Assessment. The AIA is a grant provided by the state. A Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) for the water and sewer system is provided as part of the grant.

A draft document was given to each council member. The document is called an Asset Management Plan. The Asset Management Plan includes a listing of the assets, condition of the assets, a CIP, and operational and maintenance suggestions.

The purpose of the study is to make the town more viable and proactive. The study has a breakdown of manageable projects.

Mr. Wienhold said the study found the sewer system to be in decent shape. They located 492 manholes. There was Inflow and Infiltration (I and I) in some areas. Mr. Wienhold said that I and I can create as much as three times the flow as the citizens. The Wooten Company inspected the lifts stations, did a sludge depth analysis in the lagoons, and found 200 places where smoke came out during the smoke testing.

The CIP is a twenty-year CIP. It gives a year-by-year guide of the most important projects first and then suggested maintenance for the system as years go by.

Infraforce, an asset management software system, is provided with the grant. Support is given for one year. After that, there will be a yearly fee applied.

Discussion/Action resulting from Wooten report: CIP is a roadmap per Mayor Smith. No need to worry about shuffling projects around as needed.

A motion to adopt the AIA study/plan and the CIP was given by Council Member Bivens. This was seconded by Mayor Pro-tem Staton. All ayes.

Closed Session 143-318.11. (a)(3) – Attorney:

To consult with an attorney employed or retained by the public body in order to preserve the attorney-client privilege between the attorney and the public body, which privilege is hereby acknowledged. General policy matters may not be discussed in a closed session and nothing herein shall be construed to permit a public body to close a meeting that otherwise would be open merely because an attorney employed or retained by the public body is a participant. The public body may consider and give instructions to an attorney concerning the handling or settlement of a claim, judicial action, mediation, arbitration, or administrative procedure. If the public body has approved or considered a settlement, other

A motion to go into a closed session was given by Council Member Bivens and seconded by Council Member Huntley. All ayes

A motion to come out of the closed session was made by Mayor Pro-tem and was seconded by Council Member Marshall. All ayes.

Town Manager Comments: J.L. Elite Feed will be at the Agricultural Expo at the Ag Center. The date is May 28th from 9 am until 3 pm. On April 23rd there will be Music in Park from 6 pm to 9 pm.

Council Members' Comments:

Council Member Bivens would like to see the Beautification Committee start up again.

Council Member Blakeney wished all a happy Easter.

Council Member Huntley wished all a happy Passover.

Council Member Marshall wished all a happy Easter.

Mayor Pro-tem Staton had no comments.

Mayor's Comments: Mayor Smith reminded all of the opening of the ice cream shop on Saturday at 11:30 am. He also said that the Easter Egg Hunt was a success.

Adjournment: A motion was made by Council Member Bivens and seconded by Gary Huntley to adjourn the meeting. All ayes.

Approved this 18th day of April 2022.

ATTEST

Ann F. Sutton, Clerk