

Owens Cross Roads
Town Council Meeting
Minutes for August 18, 2020

Council Members present:

1. Tim Wright
2. Mayor Tony Craig
3. James Mann
4. Scott Baker
5. Elizabeth Craig

Council Members absent:

1. Larry Furlough

Town staff present:

1. Christie Eason, Town Clerk
2. Brandy Wilson, Court Clerk
3. Jason Dobbins, Chief of Police
4. Scott Worsham, Lieutenant of Police
5. Officer Logan Johnson
6. Officer Jeff Graves

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Tony Craig at 6:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Tim Wright.

Minutes from the July 28 meeting and current bank balances were presented by Christie Eason, Town Clerk. Tim Wright made the motion to approve the minutes and bank balances. Elizabeth Craig 2nd the motion. All in favor.

Mayor welcomed all guests.

Old Business Updates:

1. Website / Hope Davis – owenscrossroadsal.org – has been completed and approved by the council and is live for public use. James Mann shared on behalf of Hope Davis her many thanks for the opportunity to develop the website and that she was available for questions, concerns, etc.
2. Landscaping for storm shelter / Elizabeth Craig - \$2500 budget was previously approved, benches have been purchased and are in place, about \$2000 left for mulch, boxwoods, etc. Elizabeth stated that Tommy Bush who will be installing the landscape materials, suggested waiting until October when it is cooler to plant. Elizabeth is still gathering prices on bushes, etc.
1. New speed limit signs have started being installed. Also, street name signs are being replaced as needed.

New Business:

1. Resolution 20-08-18 – disposal or disbursement of unusable property -Motion to adopt by James Mann, Tim Wright 2nd the motion, all in favor - passed. James Mann recommended that excess items of minimal monetary value be donated to Care Center.
2. Resolution 20-08-18 -B – Rebuild Alabama Act Resolution – Christie explained the necessity of this resolution. Motion to adopt by Tim Wright, James Man 2nd the motion, all in favor – passed.
3. Resolution 20-08-18 -C – Municipal Intercept Services Agreement for debt recovery. Christie explained who the company is and what it does. Motion to adopt by James Mann. Scott Baker 2nd the motion, all in favor – passed.
4. Ordinance 20-008 – regulating the access of waste/garbage and rubbish on public &/or private properties within the town limits of Owens Cross Roads. Motion to consider by James Mann. Elizabeth Craig and Tim Wright 2nd the motion, all in favor to consider. Motion to adopt the Ordinance by Scott Baker. Elizabeth Craig 2nd the motion, all in favor – passed.

Mayor asked employees and council if they had anything to present.

Jason Dobbins, Police Chief, shared that the new Tahoe for the Chief is now outfitted and suitable for patrol. The bullet proof vests came in and needed to be tailored to fit correctly so they have been returned for further adjustment.

Elizabeth Craig stated that the research process for a possible splash pad for the children was started more than a year ago, but the ball was dropped by a previous council member. She has resumed the research. She received a quote for ~250K but is still in early stages of discussion before she presents a final quote to the council.

Elizabeth also wanted to make sure that a replacement sign for “Caution – Blind Child Area” had been ordered as the old one is faded and worn ~ barely readable. It has already been ordered.

Tim Wright asked about the status of the 2 previously approved subdivisions. Mayor Craig stated that one subdivision was waiting on a letter from the Core of Engineers. The other subdivision would began work in September or October.

Motion to adjourn the council meeting by Tim Wright. James Mann 2nd the motion. All in favor – meeting adjourned at 6:21 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

Christie D. Eason, Town Clerk

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