

BROOKS TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES
Monday, August 21, 2017

Mayor Dan Langford led the invocation and pledge and called the meeting to order.

Mayor: Dan Langford

Council member present: Brian Davis
Todd Speer
Ted Britt
Scott Israel
Lewis Harper

Members Absent: None

Prior to tonight's meeting, the proposed Agenda for Monday, August 21, 2017 was provided via email to the Mayor and Council Members for review. Councilman Lewis Harper made a Motion to approve tonight's agenda. Todd Speer offered a Second. Agenda was approved, all in favor.

Prior to tonight's meeting, the proposed Minutes of the Monday, July 17, 2017 were provided via email to the Mayor and Council Members for review. Councilman Ted Britt offered a Motion to approve. Brian Davis offered a Second; Scott Israel abstained from vote as he was absent. Minutes were approved, all in favor.

Appearances: None

Public Notice:

A. Proposed 2017 Millage Rate - Town Manager, Ellen Walls, presented Millage information for the 2017 year. Proposed Millage rate was calculated at 0.723. There were no comments or questions from the public present. Todd Speer offered a Motion to approve. Ted Britt offered a Second. Millage Rate was approved, all in favor.

B. Resolution - SPLOST Funds - Ellen Walls presented a Resolution to repay town accounts for SPLOST work that has been completed and paid from already existing town monies instead of holding work for SPLOST money to be available. Scott Israel offered a Motion to approve. Lewis Harper offered a Second. Resolution was approved, all in favor.

New Business: None

Unfinished Business: None

Committee Reports (if any):

Mayor's Report - Working on a Zoning Project for meeting next week.

Planning and Zoning - P & Z Director Eddie Lanham was present but had no new business to discuss. Town Manager presented a letter to Mayor and Council to withdraw rezoning request for 139 Woods Road. Mayor Langford also requested that a copy of his email from

June 29, 2017 also be included in Meeting Packet for this evening. To paraphrase the email, "Property owner of 139 Woods Road requested property be rezoned from R-15 to AR in January 2006 but more information was needed about barn construction. In May 2006, property in question was rezoned from R-15 to R-40 (not sure why the change in request). At this time, all "R" lots are re-named "Non-Conforming R" and there is no need to rezone; house may be built on this lot without rezoning.

Recreation – D. Holliman was present. Reported good #'s for fall sign up. No financials were given due to vacation; they will be reported at next month's TCM.

Clerk's Report – August Farmer's Market was a little slower than in previous months. September we will be hosting the Kindness Rocks Project. SRP ended July 29th. Kate Mitchell and Brian Mitchell won the 1st place spots with the most hours read for each age group.

Manager's Report – Town Manager, Ellen Walls, presented Mayor and Council with monthly financial information for review. Cemetery improvements pending full analysis. Butler Road has been paved. McIntosh Road grant for paving has been applied for; should receive news in September. Town Engineer is working on design & documents for bidding sidewalk project as well as Julia's Crossing. Qualifying for Mayor and 2 Council spots taking place this week. Complaints of dirt bikes being ridden in cemetery and on football fields has been reported to Sheriff's office. Mayor and Council agree to continue using Fayette County for professional services/inspections. Information on TOB sewer/septic tank shows room for 3-5 more homes can be added safely on (2002 survey). Cost analysis on Brooks rental property (Hardy Hall and Chapel) provided. Although the town generally loses money on these buildings, they provide a large meeting area and entertainment to the community and also preserve part of the history of Brooks.

Other – None

Any Other Business:

There being no other business, Lewis Harper made a Motion to adjourn. The Council Members present voted unanimously to adjourn and Mayor Langford closed the meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kim Bradley, Town Clerk