

**BROOKS TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES
Monday, November 16, 2020**

Mayor Langford led the Invocation and the Pledge then called the meeting to order.

Mayor: Dan Langford

Council member present: Scott Israel
Ted Britt
Brian Davis
Todd Speer
Kay Brumbelow (newly sworn)

Council Members Absent: None

Prior to tonight's meeting, the proposed Agenda for Monday, November 16, 2020 was provided via email to the Mayor and Council Members for review. There were no changes or additions needed this evening. Councilman Ted Britt made a Motion to approve our Agenda; Todd Speer offered a Second. Vote was unanimous, all in favor.

Prior to tonight's meeting, the proposed Minutes of Monday, October 19, 2020 were provided via email to the Mayor and Council Members for review. Councilman Todd Speer made a Motion to approve; Scott Israel offered a Second. Vote was unanimous, all in favor.

At this time Mayor Langford asked Judge Scott Ballard to step forward, along with our newly elected Council Member, Kay Brumbelow. Ms. Brumbelow recited the Oath of Office. Judge Ballard swore her in' and congratulated her on this new position.

Public Comment - Local resident Barton Hancock stepped forward. With complaints of speeding and increased 18-wheeler truck usage on McIntosh Road, Mr. Hancock has been keeping a log of truck traffic on McIntosh Road, minus trucks delivering locally (i.e. sod, lumber, etc.). He presented this information to Mayor and Council. He has reported this usage to the DOT and will continue to keep track of this information. Town Manager, Maurice Ungaro, will look into this issue for reporting to the correct authorities.

Proclamations & Resolutions - Resolution 2020-04 - Local Support for Film and Television Tax Credit - All Fayette County Municipalities are encouraged to sign. Scott Israel made a Motion; Ted Britt offered a Second. All in favor; vote was unanimous.

Public Hearing - None

Unfinished Business - None

New Business - Budget Amendment for Equipment Purchase (Lawn Mower Replacement) - With continued use, the Cemetery Lawn Mower is showing definite signs of wear and tear; it has been repaired several times. Town Manager, M. Ungaro, recommends the purchase of a larger mower and to surplus several other pieces of equipment that are also outdated and inadequate for the job to offset the cost. We received quotes from several equipment dealers; the best estimate has been \$8399.00. Todd Speer offered a Motion; Scott Israel offered a Second. Vote was unanimous, all in favor.

Committee Reports (if any):

Mayor's Report - Mayor Langford extended regards to both Town Council Candidates and congratulates Ms. Kay Brumbelow for her appointment to Brooks Town Council. A Thank You card was received from the Winkle Family for condolences and plant sent in honor of the recent passing of Mr. Winkle's mother. 2021 is a Bicentennial Year for Fayette County; year long celebrations are being planned in each city/town. The

Fayette County Historical Society is asking for ideas to commemorate this event. Considering a moratorium to review zoning within Mixed Use/Residential area of Brooks.

Planning and Zoning - Maurice Ungaro states there is only one upcoming issue for December. Ms. Carol DeMine will be requesting a Conditional Use Permit for the old Macedonia Church building on McIntosh Road, to be used as office space.

Recreation – No one was present from BAR. The financial report was received and distributed to Mayor and Council.

Clerk's Report - Library is still steady, especially with "virtual learning" taking place. This Saturday, November 21, 2020, will be our Holiday Farmers' Market and the last sale of this season. There will be a water outage on Wednesday, Nov. 18 due to work on the water meter at McIntosh Road. New Officials Training possibly postponed or relocated; survey was completed last week and awaiting additional info.

Finance Officer's Report - Ellen Walls was not present; Mr. Ungaro presented the financial report to Mayor and Council.

Manager's Report - Landscaping taking place in front of Hardy Hall and the Chapel on Church Alley. This will help define parking spaces, as well as keeping large trucks from continually crushing concrete walkways. Santa and the Tree Lighting will take place on Sunday, Dec. 6th. This will be a Covid-friendly event with only 50 people allowed inside the Chapel at a time, no touching, certain pews marked off for seating, etc.

Other - None

Any Other Business -

1. Speeding on McIntosh Road continues to be a problem. Looking into 2nd speed cushion; will contact Sheriff's Department and/or DOT with truck log from Mr. Hancock.
2. Place a Moratorium on lot sizes within Mixed Use/Residential area of downtown Brooks for 90 days until zoning can be reviewed. Brian Davis offered a Motion; Scott Israel offered a Second. Vote was unanimous, all in favor.
3. Mayor Langford states a request was made for a Pickle Ball court; Brian Davis will discuss this with BAR during their December meeting.
4. Scott Israel expressed concern for the local family who lost their house in a fire several weeks ago; resident in attendance stated family is good, no needs at this time.
5. Marge Counts with the BWC reiterated guidelines for Santa's visit.
6. Todd Speer commended Town employees on a successful year of hard work and offered a Motion for employee holiday bonuses at the same rate as 2019. Scott Israel offered a Second. Vote was unanimous, all in favor.

At this time, all Public present were dismissed in order for Mayor and Council to enter into Executive Session.

Adjourn - Ted Britt made a Motion to adjourn; Brian Davis seconded this Motion. Vote was unanimous, all in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kim Bradley, Town Clerk

