

Minutes February 11, 2019

The Creswell Town Board of Commissioners met on Monday at 7:00 p.m. with the following members present: Mayor E. Ray Blount, Commissioner Brenda Logan, Commissioner Ron Ambrose, Commissioner Syble Spruill, and Commissioner Joel Harris.

Commissioner Harris provided the invocation.

Commissioner Spruill provided the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioner Spruill moved to approve the minutes and waive the reading of the January meeting(s). Commissioner Harris seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

The finance summary was presented to the board by the clerk and accepted. Commissioner Ambrose moved to accept the proposed budget amendment presented by the clerk/finance officer. Commissioner Spruill seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Commissioner Spruill moved to accept the Tax Collector's Report presented by the clerk to the board. Commissioner Ambrose seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Unfinished Business:

-The Mayor informed the board that the Wooten Company had responded to him that someone would be coming to meet with Ryan to look at the problem at the sewer plant but no one has at this time.

New Business:

-Clara Sawyer appeared before the board to ask for a variance for placing a cemetery on her property on the west end of Main Street. Commissioner Spruill, who also is Chairmen to the Creswell Planning Board, informed Mrs. Sawyer that she would have to fill out an application for variance and then the Planning Board would meet and if approved the Planning Board would carry before the town board for their approval.

-Addie Roberts appeared before the board to ask when the sewer would be repaired at 112 and 114 Main Street. She had someone who is interested in buying the building but not with the sewage not working. Ryan informed the board he could not repair the problem until he had help because it has to be completely rebuilt. The board weighed their options on whether to hire someone to do the work or wait until the new employee starts on the February 25th. The board agreed that Ryan repaired the sewer problem at 112/114 Main Street by March 11th. That will give Ryan 30 days to repair the problem.

-Commissioner Spruill moved to accept the new 2019 IRS standard mileage rate change of 58 cents. Commissioner Ambrose seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. The mileage rate increased 3.5 cents from 2018.

-Commissioner Spruill moved to accept the Resolution for Approving the Local Water Supply Plan. Commissioner Harris seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

-Commissioner Ambrose moved to accept the Amendment to Contract the Audit Accounts. Commissioners Spruill seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

-Robin Harris asked the board if there was anything that could be done to enforce the speeding on Main Street because people go way over the posted speed limit sign of 20 MPH. The board agreed for the Mayor to talk with the Sherriff about getting more law enforcement in Creswell.

-Mayor informed everyone that he had received an emailed back from the Dollar Store saying that Creswell does not meet the criteria needed to place a Dollar Store in the Creswell area.

-The Charter school got its final approval to be able to open. They plan to be open in August 2019 but unsure of the location at this time.

-The clerk informed the board that Kay Patrick, Office Assistant, has passed her notary class and been sworn in. The clerk wanted to know if the board wanted her to order Mrs. Patrick a stamp or if that was

something she would have to purchase. The board agreed to order her a stamp but it has to be keep at the office at all times for use there.

Commissioner Spruill moved to go into closed session pursuant to §143-318.11 (a)(5) (real property) and to §143-318.11 (a)(6) (personnel).

The Mayor declared the executive session closed.

Commissioner Ambrose moved to make the following changes for full-time employees in the Water/Sewer Department:

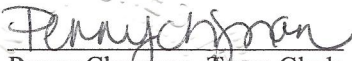
- discontinue uniform services from Cintas
- discontinue cell phone services (if employees chooses)
- purchase t-shirts for the employees
- give \$50 (fifty dollars) a month towards their personal cell phone use
- give \$500 stipend a year towards uniform and boots

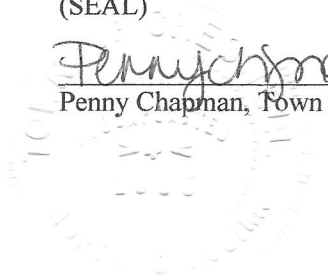
Commissioner Spruill seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:20 p.m.


E. Ray Blount, Mayor

(SEAL)


Penny Chapman, Town Clerk



**TOWN OF CRESWELL
PROPOSED BUDGET AMENDMENT
February 11, 2019**

General Fund

BA#1

Item	Item Description	Increase	Decrease
Mosquito	To balance account	100.00	
General Insurance	To balance account	10.00	
Gas and Oil	To balance account	2,000.00	
Supplies	To balance account	1,650.00	
Contingency	Transfer funds to balance another account		3,760.00

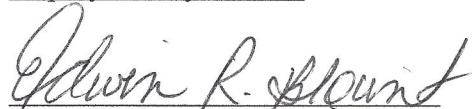
JUSTIFICATION: Requesting money transfer from contingency to accounts to balance the budget.

Water Fund

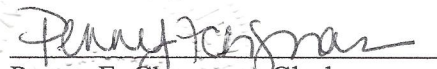
BA#2

Item	Item Description	Increase	Decrease
Advertising	To balance account	50.00	
Professional fees	To balance account	2,000.00	
Permits and fees	To balance account	3,000.00	
Wages-Part time	To balance account	250.00	
Contingency	Transfer funds to balance another account		5,300.00

JUSTIFICATION: Requesting money transfer from contingency to accounts to balance the budget. Requesting money transfer from wages to balance for bonus given to part time employee, Ray Owens.


Edwin Ray Blount, Mayor

(SEAL)


Penny F. Chapman, Clerk