

Minutes July 11, 2022

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

Commissioner Logan provided the invocation.

Commissioner Spruill led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioner Ambrose moved to approve the minutes and waive the reading of the June meeting(s). Commissioner Logan seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

The finance summary was presented to the board by the clerk and accepted. A proposed budget amendment was presented to the board for approval. Commissioner Harris moved to accept the proposed budget amendment. Commissioner Spruill seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Unfinished Business: No unfinished business

New Business:

-The clerk informed the board the IRS announced an increase in the standard mileage rate for the final 6 months of 2022. The standard mileage rate will be 62.5 cents per mile. Commissioner Spruill moved to accept the increase mileage rate of 62.5 cents per mile from the IRS. Commissioner Ambrose seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

-The clerk presented to the board the tax collector's settlement report from Washington County's Tax Administrator.

-Commissioner Ambrose moved to accept the Order for Collection of Ad Valorem Taxes to Sherri Wilkins, Tax Collector for the Town of Creswell. Commissioner Spruill seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

-Wayne Price, Principal of the Washington County Early College, appeared before the board to update them on upcoming events that would be happening over the next several months at the school.

-Robbie Owens, Town citizen, appeared before the board to ask about the brown water issue and high utility bills in town. The board informed Mr. Owens that the brown water issue was still being dealt with and the water department was going to flush water mains next week to also help.

-Commissioner Spruill informed the board she had been contacted by the newspaper earlier in the month questioning why the town was not observing Juneteenth day like the rest of the municipalities in the county. The clerk had on hand a copy of the executive order no. 262 issued by Governor Cooper on June 6, 2022, which did not apply to municipalities. Commissioner Harris moved to approve for all full-time employees to get (8) eight hours of personnel observance leave to be taken by December 31, 2022. Commissioner Spruill seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

After no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.


Edwin Ray Blount, Mayor

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Penny Chapman, Town Clerk