Minutes November 4, 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 Syble Spruill, Commissioner Ronald Ambrose and Commissioner Joel Harris.

Commissioner Ambrose provided the invocation.

Commissioner Spruill provided the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

The finance summary was presented to the board by the clerk and accepted.

Unfinished Business:

-Commissioner Harris felt that upon review of G.S. 143-129 (e)(2) the town is permitted to proceed with award of the contract with the understanding that this case is of special emergency as it involves the health and safety of the people or their property. Commissioner Ambrose moved to accept the bid offer from Sawyer and Sons in the amount of \$20,497.00 for storm drainage, storm water pipe, and curb and gutter repairs. Sawyer and Sons was the only bid received. Commissioner Spruill seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

New Business:

-The clerk presented to the board a renewal for the utility's Servline Program. The renewal date is December 10, 2019. No changes were made in monthly fees. Commissioner Spruill moved to accept the renewal of the Utility Servline Program. Commissioner Harris seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Annie Brickhouse appeared before the board asking if there was anything they could do about the drainage ditch at the property she is renting at 106 N Fifth Street. Ms. Brickhouse explained she doesn't even have a driveway because of the drainage problem. The board agreed they would get the Town's maintenance personnel to look at the problem.

Lessell Sprill informed the board that she has a sewer smell all through the house when she washes clothes and that the round sewer base outside stinks and makes noise all the time. The board feels that it may be a plumbing problem and not a town problem but the Board informs Ms. Spruill they will have Town's maintenance personnel check it out.

The clerk informed the board that come January, her computer and Ryan's laptop will no longer be able to get Windows updates. The board agreed for the clerk to do whatever needs to be done because the office and water department has to have computers.

The Board agreed for the clerk to purchase Mrs. Ann Keyes, Washington County Emergency Management Coordinator, a \$100 Visa gift card for her upcoming retirement with the county.

The board wants the clerk to make a sign for the meeting room for "No Talking/Use of Cell Phones" during a meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

E. Ray Blount, Mayor

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Penny Chapman, Town Clerk