

September 2, 2014

WORKSHOP:

Councilmember David Holt gave the invocation and Mayor Jones led the Pledge of Allegiance.

5:00 pm – Skeeter Logan – Ask for funds to go to School

Mr. Logan addressed the council about Wet/Dry Revenues and what were the intentions of council if the vote passes. He stated that he had a ruling from the Attorney General that a municipality can donate to a county school if it is located inside the city limits of that municipality. Mr. Logan asked the council to earmark a portion of the funds to Plainview School if the vote passes.

5:10 pm – Charles L. Martin- Request for Roadblock at Hilltop for the Marine Corp League

Mr. Martin addressed the council about having a roadblock at Hilltop to raise money for the Toys for Tots Program. He stated that they would like to have it this Saturday, September 6th at 8am to 2pm.

After a discussion he was given permission to have this roadblock.

5:15 pm – Kenny Raines – Wendy’s Maintenance Agreement – Resolution

Mr. Raines did not attend the workshop.

The following topics were discussed:

1. Closing the Coliseum Tornado Repair Fund and the Warranty Fund
2. Horton Road Bridge Culvert over Piney Creek – Mayor will get with City Engineer Sam Phillips
3. Chavies Bridge Update
4. Advertise for bids on three police cars
5. Upkeep of the Tornado Memorial
6. Post- Retirement Benefits
7. Salaried vs. Non-Salaried, classifications of job positions
8. Safety Coordinator
9. Splash Pad
10. TBEC appliances
11. Panic call buttons
12. Tornado Sirens

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING:

The Rainsville City Council met in regular session on September 2, 2014 at 5:30 pm at the Agri Center with the following members present: Mayor Nick Jones. Councilmembers: Joey Graham, David Holt, Melissa Ledbetter, Brandon Freeman and Rodger Lingerfelt. City Attorney: Dara Patterson.

Mayor Jones called the meeting to order and called the roll.

A motion was made by Graham and seconded by Graham to dispense with the reading of the minutes for the August 18th, 2014, regular council meeting and approve them as presented by the clerk. Motion carried with all in favor.

Item #1. A motion was made by Graham and seconded by Lingerfelt to close the Coliseum Tornado Repair Fund and the Warranty Fund and transfer the balances to the general fund. Motion carried with all in favor.

Item #2. A motion was made by Holt and seconded by Freeman to advertise for bids for three 2013 Dodge Chargers for the police department. Motion carried with all in favor.

Item #3. A motion was made by Ledbetter and seconded by Freeman to designate the Safety Coordinator position at a 40 hour position at .50 per hour. Motion carried with all in favor.

Councilmember Ledbetter respectfully requested by e-mail that the following be made a part of the minutes: Basically, I brought up that the safety coordinator position was a 40 hour position that was not clarified as such when Ridgeway took it over and thus we have been overpaying

that pay of that position. I said I would like for it to be stated on record that it is a 40 hour position. I also stated that we all had received an email requesting us to find someone else for this position bc Ridgeway had too much going on. I had then stated that Chief Centers said he would be glad to do it and the council that it would be appropriate to add to his job description since he is emergency personnel. Mayor then interjected and said that it had to be done by ordinance/resolution. I had confirmed that I understood that and that I wanted our atty to complete this and us pass at next meeting but that we did need to get on it because currently no one was doing the position. Brandon then stated if all is in favor go ahead and put him on it adjust everyone's pay and change job description at the next meeting. I said okay great.

Item #4. A motion was made by Ledbetter and seconded by Graham to have Police Chief Charles take over as Safety Coordinator with his salary reflecting and make adjustment to Fire Chief Thomas Ridgeway's salary. This is to start with next pay period. Motion carried with all in favor.

Item #5. A motion was made by Ledbetter and seconded by Freeman to up the approval from \$2,200.00 to \$2,500.00 for the TBEC appliances. Motion carried with all in favor.

Item #6. A motion was made by Lingerfelt and seconded by Ledbetter to purchase shelving from Gaylord at a cost of \$1,340.09 for the library. This will be paid out of the State Aid Fund. Motion carried with all in favor.

Item #7. A motion was made by Lingerfelt and seconded by Ledbetter to purchase a computer from CDW at a cost of \$480.40 for the library. \$444.00 will be paid with monies from the Home and Garden and the remainder will be paid out of the State Aid Fund. Motion carried with all in favor.

Item #8. A motion was made by Lingerfelt and seconded by Freeman to order four new weather radio's and one new weather radio and siren unit for a total of \$51,000.00 with \$20,000.00 being grant money leaving a balance of \$31,000.00. The balance will be paid in payments of \$3,700.00 twice a year. This will be paid out of the Government Capitol Fund. Motion carried with all in favor.

A motion was made by Graham and seconded by Ledbetter to pay the monthly bills as presented by the City Treasurer. Motion carried unanimously.

At 6:16 pm, a motion was made by Holt and seconded by Ledbetter to go into executive session to discuss ongoing litigation. Mayor Jones stated that the council would reconvene in approx. 30 minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

At 6:44 pm, a motion was made by Holt and seconded by Ledbetter to return to regular session with the following action taken: A motion was made by Graham and seconded by Ledbetter to empower the City Attorney to seek a lump sum of back pay from our accountant to seek settlement options to settle pending litigations. Voting yea: Graham, Holt, Ledbetter, Freeman and Lingerfelt. Voting nay: Jones. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Ledbetter and seconded by Lingerfelt to adjourn at 6:50 pm. Motion carried with all in favor.

Nick Jones, Mayor

Judy Lewis, City Clerk