Town of Branchville

Regular Council Meeting

Mayor Franklin Dickson Presiding

Monday 9, 2022

7:00 PM

The regular Council Meeting for the Town of Branchville was held on Monday 9, 2022 at 7 PM at the Town Hall. A notice with the time, date and place of the meeting was posted on the exterior bulletin board of the Town Hall at least 24 hours before the meeting.

Mayor Dickson called the meeting to order. Council, along with all those present, stood for the

Pledge of Allegiance, followed by prayer.

Roll call indicated that all were present except Mayor Pro Tem Oliver and Councilman Banks.

**Welcome of Guest:** Mayor Dickson welcome those present.

**Approval of Minutes:** Councilman Connelly made a motion to accept the April 11, 2022 minutes. Councilman Jumper seconded the motion, motion carried.

**Approval of Financial Report:** Councilman Dukes made the motion to approve the General Fund Financial Report. Councilman Connelly seconded the motion, motion carried. Councilman Connelly made the motion to approve the Water and Sewer Financial Report. Councilman Jumper seconded the motion, motion carried. Councilman Dukes made the motion to approve the Municipal Court Financial Report. Councilman Connelly seconded the motion, motion carried.

**Council Reports:**

1. **City Hall/License/Insurance:** Councilman Jumper reports everything is going well at this time.
2. **Water/Sewer/Streets:** Councilman Connelly reports we are doing well at the moment. Previous issues regarding a bent pipe-line have been resolved. In addition, we are in the process of receiving a non-match grant to upgrade and repair water lines around the town.
3. **Parks/Recreation:** Nothing to report, Councilman Banks absent.
4. **Projects/Events:** Councilwoman Peeples reports the upcoming Golf Tournament is on the 14th of May in regards to the Raylrode Daze Fundraiser at the Riverbirch Bamberg Golf Course. As well as, the approaching Arts and Crafts yard sale taking place on June 4th, 2022. It will include a farmers market, pet adoption, food vendors, as well as a full blown community yard sale.

**5. Buildings/Grounds:** Councilman Connelly reported that all grass cutting positions have been

filled and are in the process of getting caught up. Mayor Dickson mentioned that the Freight Depot has been rented several times and has become a big attraction to the town.

**6. Police Department:**  Councilman Dukes reported that we had a good month. Chief Randy Clark and Officer Platt had no comments at this time.

**Old Business:** Nothing at this time.

**New Business:** Nothing at this time.

**Public Comments: Agenda:** None at this time.

**Public Comments: Other:**  Council has been invited to the Orangeburg County School District high school graduation ceremony taking place in May. Mr. Glenn Miller approached council with questions regarding his latest water readings and usage. Subject was resolved and dismissed.

**Executive Session:** Mayor Dickson called Councilmen into Executive Session to discuss personal issues. Councilman Connelly made the motion to go into Executive session. Councilman Jumper seconded the motion, motion then carried. Council left at 7:20pm.

Councilman Connelly made a motion to return to regular council meeting at 7:50pm. Councilman Jumper seconded the motion, motion carried.

Councilman Jumper made a motion to bring Faye Connelly back for training of Madison Jackson. Faye will also be sticking around to process and scan previous documentation for records. Councilman Dukes seconded the motion, motion carried.

Councilman Connelly made a motion to begin infrastructure on the sewage line running underneath the railroad tracks, Councilman Jumper seconded the motion, motion carried.

Councilman Jumper made a motion to increase insurance on all buildings in town by 85%. The motion was then seconded by Councilman Jumper, motion carried.

**Adjournment:** Motion was made by Councilman Dukes to adjourn the meeting. Councilwoman Peeples seconded the motion, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:55pm.

Town Clerk

Madison Jackson