Town of Branchville

Regular Council Meeting

Mayor Franklin Dickson Presiding

Monday March 11 2024

6:00 PM

The Regular Council Meeting for the Town of Branchville was held on Monday March 11 2024 at 6 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 all were present.

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

**Approval of Minutes:** A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Connelly to accept the February 12 2024 minutes; Councilwoman Peeples seconded the motion, motion carried.

**Approval of Financial Report:** Councilman Baker made the motion to approve the February General Fund Financial report; Councilman Jumper seconded the motion, motion carried. Mayor Pro Tem Connelly made a motion to accept the February Water & Sewer Financial report; Councilman Oliver seconded the motion, motion carried. Councilman Jumper made a motion to accept the February Municipal Court Financial report; Councilman Oliver seconded the motion, motion carried.

**Council Reports:**

1. **City Hall/License/Insurance:** Councilman Baker reports everything is going good.
2. **Water/Sewer/Streets:** Mayor Pro Tem Connelly reports things are going well this month, continuing to install Neptune Meters, things are looking good.
3. **Parks/Recreation:** Mayor Dickson reports Branchville High School Soccer Team is using Horton Field while the Schools field is being redone. Baseball/ Softball and T-Ball is happening down at the Complex. Special Election will be held March 26 2024 at Community Center.
4. **Projects/Events:** Councilwoman Peeples reports there will be a Community Concert Saturday March 16th from 6-9pm. The Town will have the Christian church along with other performers and Food trucks will be present.
5. **Buildings/Grounds:** Mayor Pro Tem Oliver reports everything is going good. Healthplex had a security issue but was informed that is wasn’t an issue the town needed to take care of.
6. **Police Department:** Councilman Jumper reports everything is running smoothly, has been a good month.

**Old Business:**  N/A

**New Business:**  Councilman Oliver and Mayor Pro Tem Connelly attended a seminar to where the town could host a Community Program to help the town come together in means for growth for the future. Townsperson, Sallie Connelly, also attended the seminar and has offered to help with the advertisement of getting the word out. A meeting, following Aprils Council Meeting, will be held for anyone wanting to join.

**Agenda Items/ Public Comments:** N/A

**Items of Information:** N/A

**Executive Session:** Mayor Dickson called the Council into executive session at 6:15pm to discuss personnel matters. A motion was made by Councilman Jumper to go into session; Mayor Pro Tem Connelly seconded the motion, motion carried.

Motion was made by Councilman Oliver at 6:55pm to return back to a regular council meeting. Mayor Pro Tem Connelly seconded the motion, motion carried.

Bids for Grass Cutting has been discussed. Mayor along with Council announced the winning bid granted to Mr. Brian Spires of Spires Lawn Service.

Branchville High School is redoing their Football/Soccer Field, the top soil being removed has been given to the Town to put behind the Freight Depot.

Townsperson, Beverly Berry, wanted to know if the Town was interested in hiring part time summer help as they did last year. Mayor Dickson assured her that it is a possibility.

Mayor Dickson reports Town Clerk, Madison Jackson, will be parting ways due to family compelling reasons. The Town is accepting applications for the Clerk position.

**Adjournment**: Motion was made by Councilman Oliver to adjourn the meeting, Mayor Pro Tem Connelly seconded the motion, motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:00 PM.

Town Clerk

Madison Jackson