

April 8, 2019
Town Hall Meeting

1. The meeting started at 6:00 pm. Mayor Archie Hicks was present along with the following Commissioners: Larry Adams, Kyle Matthews, Mae Luffman, Wanda Johnson and George Burns.
2. The minutes were approved as written.
3. PUBLIC COMMENT: None
4. Neil Nichols request that the day of the God and County Celebration that Pauline's Street be closed from First National Bank drive to Alex's driveway. No driveway would be closed off. The board did not have a problem with that as long as Mr. Nichols talk with someone from Alex's to see if that would be OK with them. It would be blocked off from 9:00 to 2:00. Chief Shore said that his department would not have the man power to cover this.
5. Rob Logan from Logan Creek Creative came to give the board some information about doing the Town's web site. Mr. Logan said he could post minutes, list upcoming events, do monthly updates and other things that the board would want on it. He could bring it up to modern scale. A price based on redesign of the web site according to what the town wants and then a monthly price to keep it updated each month. If the town started out on the low range, they could update at any time.
6. Jan Hicks reported that the park committee met last week, and 175 surveys had been turned in. More surveys are still out and should be turned in soon and they will be added to the data. From the surveys the top requests are walking track, amphitheater/pavilion, children's play area, cruise in, picnic area and adult fitness area. Further down were lawn games, parking and other things. A walking track would not give us points for the grant but is needed as it was the highest on the survey. We will need three activities to get points for the grant. The committee wants to know what the board wants so they can move forward. The committee will need a landscaping design and other things that will cost money and the committee does not have any money. Will the town agree to pay for what is needed? Commissioner Adams asked when the money would be needed. This budget year or next. Mrs. Hicks said it would be hard to know until the committee seen how things worked out. Another thing about the park that the committee is divided on is the parking. Mrs. Hicks asked how much parking does the town want? Commissioner Matthews stated that he would like to see the design and go from there. There may be room for a parking lot and there may not be after the designs are in. Commissioner Adams said he would like to see designs and he would like to see something for the veterans. Mark Hobson said would like to see a parking lot that could be used for a picnic area, benches, farmers market, cruise in and people wanted a parking area on the surveys. You could use the area for multi-purpose area.
7. Jan Hicks reported that the Planning Board would like to ask that Susan Venable be an alternate member. The time for the Planning Board meetings be changed from 10:00 to 9:00. Commissioner Matthews made a motion to elect Susan Venable as an alternate planning board member. Commissioner Johnson seconded. The motion carried 5-0.

8. David Whitaker Secretary of the East Bend Pool came to say hello and to give an update on the pool. The by-laws have been rewritten and they will be giving discounts starting this year to seniors, veterans, police officers, firefighters and first responders. They also have family and individual plans. They are going to be open from Memorial Day weekend thru Labor Day and hopefully on weekends until the third week of October. At this time, they have 44 members and hoping to get several more. Mr. Whitaker would like to come to each meeting to give the board updates of thing that are happening at the pool.
9. The Board will have a mini budget session at a later time.
10. Commissioner Matthews made a motion to have Cavanaugh Macdonald Consulting, LLC to do our reporting requirements under GASB Statement No. 73. Commissioner Luffman seconded. The motion carried 5-0.
11. Commissioner Matthews made a motion to advertise and sell the Crown Vic with sealed bids. Commissioner Adams seconded. The motion carried 5-0.
12. Chief Shore gave a police report.
13. There will be a 50th Anniversary appreciation breakfast on May 10, 2019 from 8:30 – 10:00 for all board members and town employees. Mayor Hicks reminded everyone if they are going to RSVP.
14. Mayor Hicks said someone was having a Zumba Glow Party at the Senior Center and all proceeds will go to the park fund.
15. There will be a Senior Center Flay Day on June 14, 2019 at the East Bend Senior Center to honor veterans and give the history of East Bend. They are inviting Virginia Fox to come speak and the 82th Airborne singing group will perform. Area veterans are coming to speak at the center, Mel Speaks has spoken and Commissioner Adams is going to speak in May. They are asking for support from the county and town. They would like to have some history from the town. Commissioner Adams made a motion to support this event and help show the history of East Bend. Commissioner Matthews seconded. The motion carried 5-0.
16. Commissioner Matthews made a motion to approve all bills and any that comes in until the next meeting. Commissioner Luffman seconded. The motion carried 5-0.
17. Commissioner Matthews made a motion to go into executive session. Commissioner Luffman seconded. The motion carried 5-0.
18. After coming out of executive session, Commissioner Matthews made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Burns seconded. The motion carried 5-0.

May 13, 2019
Date

Archie B. Hicks, Jr.
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Vickie J. Matthews
Vickie J. Matthews, Town Clerk/Administrator