

TOWN OF CLINCHCO
COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES OF MEETING ON 8/24/2022

MEMBERS PRESENT: Vice Mayor Jelane Mock, Herbert Branham, Stearl Branham, Ruby Coleman

MEMBER'S ABSENT: Mayor Jarvis Deel, Cynthia Ellis, Trevor Counts

TOWN CLERK: Tina Deel

TOWN ATTORNEY: Greg Baker (Via Telephone)

Call to Order & Welcome by Vice Mayor:

Vice Mayor Jelane Mock called the meeting to order, and asked for everyone to stand for the pledge of allegiance; (everyone stood towards the flag). Vice Mayor Jelane Mock asked for a moment of silence.

Approval of Minutes;

Vice Mayor Jelane Mock asked council to take a look at their minutes and asked for a motion to approve the minutes; Stearl Branham made a motion to approve the minutes; Herbert Branham seconded the motion; a vote was taken and all members were in favor.

Consent Expenditures:

Vice Mayor Jelane Mock asked for council to look at the expenditure report and if there was any discussion; no discussion was made; Ruby Coleman made a motion to approve the expenditure report; Stearl Branham seconded the motion; a vote was taken and all members in favor.

Additions to the Agenda:

Vice Mayor Jelane Mock asked for any additions to the agenda; Ruby Coleman asked to add the Tiny Business Village under old business for discussion.

Approval of the Agenda:

Vice Mayor Jelane Mock asked for a motion to approve the agenda. Stearl Branham made a motion to approve the agenda with the addition of the Tiny Business Village; Herbert Branham seconded the motion; a vote was taken and all members were in favor.

Old Business:

Sealed Bids for Mustang and Playground Equipment:

Playground Equipment Bids: Vice Mayor Jelane Mock stated there were two bids on the playground equipment and read out loud the amounts: Stearl Branham made a motion to accept the \$1,000.00 bid for the playground equipment made by Haysi Kiwanis. Greg Baker stated to make a motion to accept the \$1,0

00.00 high bid made by the Haysi Kiwanis and Tina notify them and they will have 30 days from today's date to come get the equipment at their own expense, and if they don't then we will auction it off again. Vice Mayor Jelane Mock stated they are here at the meeting. Herbert Branham seconded the motion; a vote was taken and all members were in favor.

Mustang Bids: Vice Mayor Jelane Mock stated the highest bid on the Mustang is for \$7,000.00 and the bid is by Carter Harrison. Jelane Mock stated there was also a cash amount from Auto World. Council made discussion of possible probabilities regarding the Mustang. Greg Baker stated I think on this one we have some issues and it should be discussed in executive session. Greg Baker stated that executive session is something that can be done at the end.

Gilmore Street:

Vice Mayor Jelane Mock stated he went up on Gilmore Street with DMME representative Heather, the two portals were sealed already, she said the mine in the holler where the water was coming out is below the seat level. She did not seem very hopeful that we would get any emergency funding. But she has to do a full report. Other discussion was made about the water up Gilmore Street. Ruby Coleman asked the attorney where there was a state of emergency recently and emergency funding does the town have to make a statement or any kind of resolution as well; Greg Baker stated no that money went to the county.

Dickenson County Fair Association:

Vice Mayor Jelane Mock Allison has asked if we could put a Dickenson County Fair sign up in Clinchco; Ruby Coleman made a motion to allow the sign to go up in Clinchco; Stearl Branham seconded the motion; a vote was taken and all members were in favor.

Tiny Business Village:

Vice Mayor Jelane Mock stated as you know we have several projects going on right now, we have been talking about withdrawing our application for the Tiny Business Village so that we can focus on the awarded money. Tina explained what money so far has been supported and what the town was still waiting on to hear about and there were also other options in design that would be more workable if all money was not awarded; it was decided to wait and talk to the county administrator. Vice Mayor Jelane Mock stated a motion to withdraw from the Tiny Business Village contingent upon the county's feedback; Herbert Branham seconded the motion; a vote was taken and all members were in favor.

New Business:

ARPA Budget:

Vice Mayor Jelane Mock stated what requests did we have last month; Tina Deel stated the Fire Department. Jelane Mock stated the two high water crossing signs; Ruby Coleman made a motion to purchase the signs; Stearl Branham seconded the motion; a vote was taken and all members were in favor. Jelane Mock stated next was the Fire Department requesting 2 turn out gear, ventilation fans, and attack firefighting hose with a total amount of \$10,144.00. Discussion was made of other updated quotes that were needed. Ruby Coleman stated of course all these things are needed, no doubt they are needed. Jelane Mock agreed, they are crucial for the job. Discussion was made of different options; the option that I recommend that they take that amount off of what they owe the town. Ruby stated or

we could facilitate and have them work with us to get a grant. Jelane agreed. Discussion was made of the facility grant and it could be very hopeful for the Fire Department. Other options were discussed of working with the Fire Department. Ruby suggested tabling this again until it can be determined; Jelane agreed; Stearl Branham made a motion to table the discussion; Herbert Branham seconded the motion; a vote was taken and all members were in favor.

Demolition of Car Wash:

Vice Mayor Jelane Mock asked for a motion to use \$2,500.00 out of the APRPA funds for the demolition of the Car Wash. Stearl Branham made the motion to allocate \$2,500.00 out of APRPA funds for the demolition of the Car Wash. Tina Deel stated we received several quotes on the demolition and the best quote was from Boyds Construction for tear down and haul off: \$2,500.00. Jelane stated we need to see if we can lock them in on the construction as well, because the architect that came down the other day said; his recommendation would be to lock someone in for demolition and construction in for the same time, it could be cheaper.

Clinchco Heritage/Shifty Powers Days:

Tina stated she did a request to the board of supervisor's office, Peggy Kiser said she allocated \$2,000.00 this year for the event. Discussion was made of the event and possible moving the date. Council made discussion of the event, possible donations and what they may get going for Clinchco Days.

Skate Park:

Vice Mayor Jelane Mock stated we have talked about this for years putting a skate park in. Selena Colbertson has said if the town of Clinchco will give us a piece of land I will go out and get the grant myself. When the architect came the other day and we were walking around and showed him the property where the trailer sits and he said we could easily fit a skate park over there. Selena stated if council would give her permission she would start applying for grants. Greg Baker gave a brief update on the trailer, that court will be the first Tuesday in October and that should be the end of that. Stearl Branham made a motion to allow Selena Colbertson to start working on a grant for the skate park; Herbert Branham seconded the motion; a vote was taken and all members were in favor.

CDAC:

Vice Mayor Jelane Mock stated that CDAC wanted to know if we were going to accept their VOF grant. The total cost of the project will be \$4,900.00 the grant will cover \$3,500.00 which will leave us having \$1,400.00 that would give us a conceptual site master plan, sketches, possible trees you could put around the site, and a drawing. The way the plan is worked up now is for the car wash and basketball court area, that would be \$1,400.00 that we would have to come up with, maybe ARPA. They said \$1,250.00 to do the car wash. Jelane gave a break down of each cost and what was included in the cost. Jelane Mock also read out loud the cost and break down with Nathan Brown, architect and design. Council made discussion of which group they wanted to work on the car wash and the Mill Street Playground area. Herbert Branham made a motion for CDAC \$1,400.00 out of ARPA to pay for the CDAC grant; Stearl Branham seconded the motion; a vote was taken and all members were in favor. Herbert Branham made a motion to accept the Barrington Architect that will be paid for by the Virginia Get Outdoors program; Ruby Coleman seconded the motion; a vote was taken and all members were in favor.

Charity Golf Tournament:

Vice mayor Jelane Mock stated the tournament is the same one I played last year with the Lane Group and this year they will be raising money for the Ronald McDonald house. It doesn't cost anything they just ask for us to make a donation. Greg Baker stated he would make a \$100.00 donation and the town will match \$100.00 donation. Ruby Coleman made a motion that we also match Greg's \$100.00 donation; Herbert Branham seconded the motion; a vote was taken and all members were in favor.

Executive Session:

Ruby Coleman made a motion to go into executive session under code 2.2-3711 A8 to consult with legal counsel in regards to the bids on the Mustang; Jelane Mock seconded the motion; a vote was taken and all members were in favor.

Vice Mayor Jelane Mock asked for a motion to come back into regular session under 2.2-3712; Herbert Branham made the motion; Stearl Branham seconded the motion; a vote was taken and all members were in favor.

Jelane Mock made a motion to certify under code 2.2-3712 that the only matters that was identified was the matters stated to go into executive session, legal matter regarding bids on the Mustang that was discussed or considered by town council while in closed session; Roll Call vote: Vice Mayor Jelane Mock yes, Ruby Coleman yes, Herbert Branham yes, Poly Branham yes.

Jelane Mock stated the highest bid on the Mustang that followed the correct procedure was Carter Harrison for \$7,000.00. Stearl Branham made a motion to accept the bid for \$7,000.00 for the Mustang; Herbert Branham seconded the motion; a vote was taken and all members were in favor.

Herbert Branham made a motion for Tina to get in contact with Boyd's Construction and get a combined estimate; Stearl Branham seconded the motion; a vote was taken and all members were in favor,

Public Comments:

No comments were made; Ruby Coleman made a motion to close public comments; Stearl Branham seconded the motion; a vote was taken and all members were in favor.

Council Comments:

Council agreed it was a good meeting and getting some projects started. Jelane stated the playground equipment should be here by Friday to remove the old equipment.

Adjournment:

Herbert Branham made a motion to adjourn until September 15th; Stearl Branham seconded the motion; a vote was taken and all members were in favor.

