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MINUTES OPEN SESSION MEETING August 10, 2020

This meeting was closed to the public due to COVID-19. The meeting was programed to be live streamed through Town Hall Streams. Notice of the meeting and streaming was posted on the town message board and the town website. The agenda for the meeting was posted on the town website by Friday August 7, 2020.

6:00 PM Call to Order by Mayor Henry

Roll Call, present: Councilmembers; Murphy, Truxon and Franz, Mayor Henry, Attorney Merriken and Manager Avery

Approval of Agenda: Motion Murphy, second Truxon, approved 3/0.

Approval of Minutes – Open Session July 13, 2020 Motion Murphy/Truxon, approved 3/0.

Chief Jones gave his report. The report is attached.

Public Works – Avery reported that 4 large trees uprooted and fell during tropical storm Isaias another uprooted into another tree at the library. Those 2 trees were removed on an emergency basis because of the direct threat to the library. Avery is waiting for bids from 2 tree companies for removal of the other 4 trees. A claim is being submitted to the Town's insurance company for help with removal costs. Areas of flooding during the storm were documented and will be used for support in applying for grant funds for storm water improvements. Specifically upgrading the storm water pipe under Neelson Street. Flooding in town has not been as bad as prior years due to routine cleaning of the pipes.

Old Business – Attorney Merriken described Zoning Amendment Ordinance 2020-7 allowing for assisted living communities by Special Exception in certain zoning districts. The Ordinance had been introduced by Councilman Murphy before. Murphy asked if ADA consideration should be included. Avery explained that provisions and requirements are being considered. **Motion to approve by Murphy, second by Truxon, vote Murphy, Franz and Truxon in favor.**

Attorney Merriken described the 2020-11 Declaration of Emergency extension until September 14, 2020. **Motion to approve Murphy, second Franz, vote 3 in favor/0 opposed. Motion to cancel Hazard Pay at the end of the current pay cycle by Murphy, second by Truxon, vote 3 in favor/0 opposed.**

Comments: Franz asked about the community yard sale, Avery said no plans for it until further notice due to COVID-19. There is too much liability.

Murphy said grants should be looked into for sidewalks. Murphy has concerns about the condition of the Woodsedge Community sign. Avery and Mr. Paul Grahe are working on the issues with the property owner. Murphy gave an update on LESMA and the lack of officers. He questioned if the town could do the accounting and book work for LESMA. That would include handling invitations and arrangements for the dinner meetings when they start again. Murphy will look into it further. Murphy brought up the idea of veteran's banners behind the wall in the Memorial Park. Avery said most of the comments he has received about the idea have been negative.

6:40 Motion to adjourn

Respectfully Submitted:



John Avery
Town Manager

Mayor Henry:



Councilmembers:

Rev. Casey

