

The Mayor and Council of Hurlock

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MINUTES OPEN SESSION MEETING January 14, 2019

6:00 PM Call to Order by Mayor Henry

Pledge of Allegiance/Prayer – Rev. Cephas gave the opening prayer.

Roll call, present: Councilmembers; E. Murphy, R. Murphy, Cummings, Franz and Rev. Cephas, Mayor Henry, Attorney Merriken and Manager Avery

Approval of Agenda: Motion Cephas, second R. Murphy, approved 5/0

Approval of Minutes: December 10, 2018 Open Session – E. Murphy/Cephas, approved 5/0

Mayors Report: Mayor Henry and Councilman Cummings awarded students from NDHS who had perfect attendance with certificates. Program is called Commitment 180 for students that attend 180 all day every day. Awards were presented to the winners of the Christmas lighting contest. Randy Helmer 1st place (present), Laura Knode 2nd place, and Mr. Perizo 3rd place (present). Town Marshall Doris Christopher was recognized and presented a key to the Town.

Police Department Report: Chief Hutton stated that there had been 2 assaults, braking and entering of a construction trailer, 1 theft from a car that was unlocked and 2 thefts at Amick.

Fire Department Report: Chief Trego said were 289 calls with at least 1 piece of apparatus and 735 EMS calls last year.

Public Works Report – Avery reported that the force main construction is complete, the project will come in under the estimated cost. Snow removal for the first storm of the season went very well.

Old Business: Councilman Cephas spoke on the community center committee is ready to start looking for funding from USDA and DHCD. They are looking at different properties. USDA requires the committee to have or control property. This has been an ongoing need for many years. Their next meeting is Thursday January 17th at 6:30 at their Church.

Avery gave a treasurer's report (see attached). Avery said the After Prom Committee from NDHS is requesting support again this year, the Town has donated \$500 annually in the past. Cephas motion to donate \$500 again this year, second by E. Murphy, passed 5 in favor, 0 opposed.

Cephas spoke on the need for a Small Cell Ordinance to control installation of facilities within the Town. Cephas met with the Lt. Governor, Cephas is very proud of what the Town has accomplished in the last year.

Council Comments: E. Murphy said there are good opportunities to recognize individuals on a regular basis. We need to look at training opportunities for committee volunteers. He said he had a question of water quality; his water is sometimes brown. Avery said the water quality in Town has never been a problem, sediment is sometimes stirred up due to disturbances in the system.

Franz wished everyone a happy New Year. Cummings said the streets were good after the snow storm. Little League is getting ready to start, they are planning on an opening day parade this year.

R. Murphy thanked all the Town employees and said he thinks things are going very well.

Public Comments: Monroe Quales thanked the Council for supporting the Ethics Committee. Cephas said the MML will have an ethics training course this summer. Cederic Turner said there will be an MLK breakfast Monday morning. The Hurlock Downtown Committee will meet January 15th at the Pizza Palace.

Mayor Henry asked to make the January 25th meeting a work session, Cummings motion, second Franz, passed 5 in favor/0 opposed.

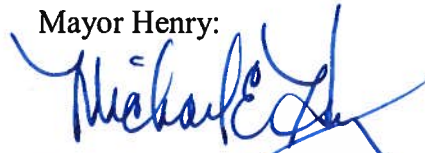
Adjourn 7:05 pm.

Respectfully Submitted:



John Avery
Town Manager

Mayor Henry:



Councilmembers:

