

Town of Paoli
Minutes of the Regular Session
Tuesday, June 4th, 2024

The Paoli Town Council met in Regular Session at 6:00 P.M. on the above date. President, Bobbie Bostock led the Pledge of Allegiance. Present were Donna Dillard, Mylea Pluris, Theron Owen and Bobbie Bostock. Councilwoman, Arla Jean Frazier was absent. Also in attendance were Clerk-Treasurer Beth Jones and Town Attorney Hunt Reynolds.

Motion to approve the May 21st, 2024 Executive Session Memorandum was made by Mylea Pluris and seconded by Theron Owen. In a 4-0 vote, motion passed.

Motion to approve the May 21st, 2024 Regular Session minutes was made by Mylea Pluris and seconded by Theron Owen. In a 4-0 vote, the motion passed.

Under Old Business, Eric Parsley with Commonwealth Engineers presented information on the INDOT Highway 150 Culvert Project. He stated that the town has water and sewer lines that are in conflict with the project. He stated they could do the design work for this project for \$40,000 and the permit for \$10,000 for a total project amount of \$50,000. He also said he would work with INDOT to possibly get some reimbursement for the town. Motion was made to approve Commonwealth moving forward with the design and permit for the amount of \$50,000 by Theron Owen. Motion was seconded by Donna Dillard. In a 4-0 vote, motion passed.

Attorney Hunt Reynolds presented information concerning Ordinance 2024-8. On November 29, 2023, the Paoli Airport Board voted to approve raising the Airport Manager Assistant pay from \$9.25 an hour to \$11.00 an hour. The Airport Manager Assistant position is budgeted for in the Town's salary ordinance. The pay increase was not brought before or approved by the Town Council and the salary ordinances were not amended. This ordinance retroactively approves the pay increase, effective November 29, 2023 for the 2023 ordinance, and effective January 1, 2024 for the 2024 ordinance. On a motion made by Donna Dillard and seconded by Theron Owen, the Council adopted Ordinance 2024-08 in a 4-0 vote. Attorney Reynolds also advised a hearing is set for July 17th, 2024, at Orange Superior Court at 2:30 P.M. for Town of Paoli v Luke Gospel Family Trust reference ordinance violations.

Code Enforcement Officer, Benji Farris, presented multiple weed and rank reports as well as pet licenses that have been purchased and ordered. Officer Farris also reported he had attended a one-hour Code Enforcement Webinar on Mindset Strategies for Officer Safety. Discussion was held concerning Pet License and how long they have to pay it after they have been contacted. The current ordinance does not specify the process to follow after the first contact. Motion was made by Theron Owen to amend the ordinance for pet license to state that the license must be purchased no later than 14 days after the first contact by the Ordinance Officer has been made. Motion was seconded by Donna Dillard. In a 4-0 vote, the motion passed.

Police Chief Randy Sanders provided information concerning updating their radios and possible grants that could be utilized to purchase radios for Police and Fire departments.


Utility General Foreman, Scott Rutherford, shared with the council an Electric Grid Plan with several phases. Will present the Council with quotes at the next meeting.

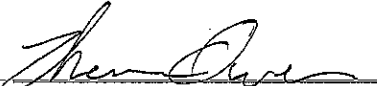
Clerk-Treasurer Beth Jones presented the adjustments for the month of May. Electric <13,459.32>, Electric Penalty <413.39>, EAP <3,478.08, Water <604.84>, Water Tax <42.33>, Water Penalty <4.25>, Sewer <1123.27>, Sewer Penalty <69.76>, Trash 15.82, for a total of <19,179.42>. A motion was made to approve the adjustments by Mylea Pluris and seconded by Theron Owen. In a 4-0 vote, the motion passed. Clerk-Treasurer Jones also presented claims for May 22, 2024 through June 4, 2024 in the amount of \$1,375,814.44. A motion was made to approve the claims by Mylea Pluris and seconded by Theron Owen. In a 4-0 vote, the motion passed.


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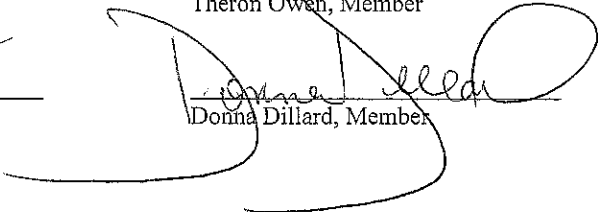
Neil Whitehead requested to speak about his work ethic and attendance.

There being no further business, Motion was made by Mylea Pluris to adjourn and seconded by Donna Dillard. In a 4-0 vote, the motion passed and meeting adjourned at 7:05 P.M.


Bobbie Bostock, President

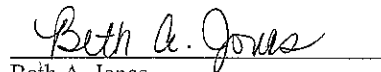

Theron Owen, Member


Mylea Pluris, 1st Vice-President


Donna Dillard, Member

Absent
Arla Jean Frazier, 2nd Vice-President

ATTEST:


Beth A. Jones
Clerk-Treasurer