

**Town of Paoli**  
*Minutes of the Regular Session*  
*October 15, 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, Arla Jean Frazier, Theron Owen and Bobbie Bostock. Councilwoman, Mylea Pluris, attended through facetime. Also in attendance were Clerk-Treasurer Beth Jones and Town Attorney Hunt Reynolds.

Motion to approve the October 1, 2024, minutes was made by Arla Jean Frazier and seconded by Theron Owen. In a 4-1 vote, the motion passed. Council woman Donna Dillard voted no.

Under Old Business, Town Attorney Hunt Reynolds presented the Adoption of the Proposed 2025 Budget in the amount of \$3,251,465.00. A motion to approve was made by Theron Owen and seconded by Arla Jean Frazier. In a 3-2 vote, the motion passed. Council woman Donna Dillard voted no, while Council President Bobbie Bostock abstained.

Under old business, Clerk Treasurer Beth Jones presented the Electric Tracking Factor for the 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter. The Electric Rate Adjustment is \$0.011237 resulting in an increase in its schedule of rates for electricity sold in the amount of \$0.00201 per kilowatt hour. A motion was made to approve by Theron Owen and seconded by Arla Jean Frazier. In a 5-0 vote, the motion passed.

Also under old business, Commonwealth Engineering spokesman Eric Parsley, presented updates on the Water Tank Project. He presented pay application #1 in the amount of \$232,465.00. After a brief discussion, a motion was made to approve pay application #1 to Viking Industrial Painting in the amount of \$232,465.00 by Arla Jean Frazier. The motion was seconded by Donna Dillard. In a 5-0 vote, the motion passed.

Eric Parsley also presented Task Order #1 in reference to funding for the Lead Service Line Utility Asset Management in the amount of \$20,000.00, the deadline for the grant is April 1, 2025. A motion to table this until the next meeting was made by Arla Jean Frazier and seconded by Donna Dillard. In a 5-0 vote, the motion to table was passed.

In Other Business, Safe Haven representative Sally Stroud gave an updated report on how the Opioid Settlement funds are being used. She also shared some of the current programs they have and future projects they hope to accomplish.

Attorney Hunt Reynolds reminded council they still need to fill and appointment on the Planning Commission and the BZA.

Code Enforcement Officer, Benji Farris, presented his report.

Police Chief Randy Sanders was not present. Assistant Chief Chris Cook presented the September monthly report. Assistant Cook also provided information reference the promotion of Patrolman Jacob Babcock. Cook presented letters of recommendation from several individuals throughout Orange County. A motion to promote was made by Donna Dillard. There being no second, motion died.

President Bostock requested an Executive Session for October 21, 2024 at 6:00 P.M. A motion to approve was made by Arla Jean Frazier and seconded by Theron Owen. In a 4-1 vote, with Donna Dillard voting no, the motion passed.

Interim Utility General Foreman, Mike Compton, updated the council with the Lead Survey Report from Water Operator Wesley Reynolds.

General Foreman Compton also advised that there are more issues with the dump truck, the actuator on the turbo is bad and will need to be replaced.

Compton reported that on October 21, 2024, INDOT will be hosting a meeting onsite for the Hwy 150 Project.

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Park Director, David Grimes gave an update from the Paoli Jr-Sr High School service day, about the work that the students accomplished in that day. Grimes asked council how they wanted to handle the lights at the park for the upcoming off season. It was suggested to leave the lights on as they were last year. A motion to approve was made by Theron Owen and seconded by Donna Dillard. In a 5-0 vote, the motion passed.

Grimes also reported about the Electric charging station at the park that was donated by Orange County REMC. In the past 1 ½ years, only three vehicles have utilized this for their vehicles.

Clerk Treasurer Beth Jones presented an invoice from T.M. Wells in the amount of \$5,400.00 for preparation of the Capitol Assets Report for 2024. A motion to approve was made by Arla Jean Frazier and seconded by Theron Owen. In a 5-0 vote, the motion passed.

Jones advised the next Town Council meeting would need to be changed due to the 2024 General Election. A motion was made to change the date to November 6, 2024, at 6:00 P.M. by Arla Jean Frazier and seconded by Donna Dillard. In a 5-0 vote, motion passed.

Jones also presented the adjustments for September 1, 2024, through September 30, 2024, as follows: Electric Penalty <55.38>, EAP <740.21>, Water <432.28>, Water Tax <30.28>, Water Penalty <36.16>, Sewer <990.20>, Sewer Penalty <115.35>, Trash <1092.00>, for a total of <3491.86>. A motion to approve was made by Arla Jean Frazier and seconded by Theron Owen. In a 5-0 vote, the motion passed.


Next Jones presented claims from October 2, 2024, through October 15, 2024, in the amount of \$903,393.65. A motion was made to approve by Theron Owen and seconded by Arla Jean Frazier. In a 5-0 vote, the motion passed.

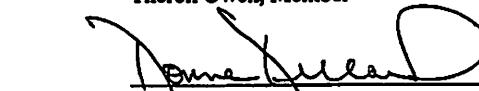
Clerk Jones thanked Lori Andry and her students at Paoli Jr-Sr High school for the work they did cleaning the meeting room and bathrooms on service day.

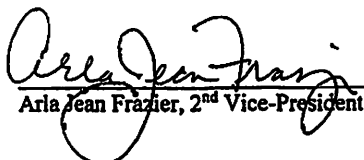
There being no further business, a motion was made by Theron Owen to adjourn and seconded by Arla Jean Frazier. In a 5-0 vote, the motion passed and the meeting adjourned at 7:00 P.M.

  
 Bobbie Bostock, President

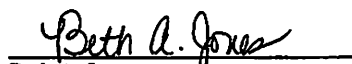
  
 Theron Owen, Member

  
 Mylea Puris, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice-President

  
 Donna Dillard, Member

  
 Arla Jean Frazier, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-President

ATTEST:

  
 Beth A. Jones  
 Clerk-Treasurer