## Town of Paoli Minutes of the Regular Session September 17, 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 was Donna Dillard, Arla Jean Frazier, Mylea Pluris, Theron Owen and Bobbie Bostock. Also in attendance was Clerk-Treasurer Beth Jones and Town Attorney Hunt Reynolds.

Motion to approve the September 3, 2024, minutes was made by Arla Jean Frazier and seconded by Mylea Pluris. In a 5-0 vote, the motion passed.

Under Old Business, President Bobbie Bostock brought up that the Town is to provide a check to Team OC in the amount of \$5,000.00 out of the Opioid Fund.

Under New Business, President Bobbie Bostock also brought up that Mike Compton would be stepping in as Interim Utility General Foreman since the retirement of former General Foreman Scott Rutherford. A motion to approve was made by Mylea Pluris and seconded by Arla Jean Frazier. In a 5-0 vote, the motion passed.

Interim General Foreman Compton updated the Council about the Sewer grinder pump that needs replaced at a cost of \$3,574.00. A motion to approve was made by Mylea Pluris and seconded by Arlea Jean Frazier. In a 5-0 vote, the motion passed.

Compton also presented information concerning the meter change out program. He stated that some meter replacements may have to be done after hours or on weekends. The meter change out for the school is scheduled to be done during their Fall Break.

Electric Foreman, Kelvin McCord presented the Council with information regarding paying off the new bucket truck. The payoff for this truck is \$168,235.00. A motion was made by Mylea Pluris to pay off the bucket truck from the Electric Depreciation Fund and seconded by Arla Jean Frazier. In a 5-0 vote, the motion passed.

President Bostock passed information to the Council that Core & Main would be furnishing eight (8) electric meters at the cost of \$162.50 each, for a total of \$1,350.00. A motion to approve was made by Mylea Pluris and seconded by Arla Jean Frazier. In a 5-0 vote, the motion passed.

Bostock advised the Town needs to hire a new employee for General Laborer. Council members Bobbie Bostock and Mylea Pluris interviewed Lucas Fields for the position and offered the position to him. A motion was made to hire Lucas Fields as a General Laborer with a starting pay of \$15.00 per hour, with a start date of September 18, 2024 by Mylea Pluris and seconded by Arla Jean Frazier. In a 5-0 vote, the motion passed

Park Director, David Grimes advised that on October 11, 2024, the school Day of Service would be held. They would be placing mulch at the Jay Cee Park and painting.

Grimes also advised that there is an issue with the ATV Polaris, which is used by all 3 utility departments. Grimes presented four (4) quotes to the Council for a replacement vehicle. A motion to table until the next meeting was made by Arla Jean Frazier and seconded by Donna Dillard. In a 5-0 vote, the motion passed.

Attorney Hunt Reynolds presented information concerning a BZA update. A public hearing was held last Wednesday. A use variance for a dog grooming and dog daycare facility was approved at 115 SW 2<sup>nd</sup> St. A special exception for a residence and a variance for building size was approved for 162 W. Paul St.

Attorney Reynolds also reminded the council that there is still a vacant seat on both the BZA and PPC Boards.

Code Enforcement Officer, Benji Farris, presented an updated Code Enforcement Report to the Council.

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Police Chief, Randy Sanders, presented statistics to the council for the month of August 2024, as well as an update on the officers and upcoming training.

Clerk Treasurer Beth Jones advised there was a roadblock request for the Police Department for Community Outreach/General Funds. A motion was made to approve by Theron Owen and seconded by Donna Dillard. In a 5-0 vote, the motion passed.

Clerk Jones then presented the claims for September 4 – September 17 in the amount of \$595,599.63. A motion was made to approve by Mylea Pluris and seconded by Arla Jean Frazier. In a 5-0 vote, the motion passed.

President Bostock requested Interim General Foreman Mike Compton have a \$5.00 per hour increase in salary, retroactive to September 10, 2024, from \$23.00 an hour to \$28.00 per hour. The current Salary Ordinance will need to be changed. Motion to approve was made by Arla Jean Frazier and seconded by Mylea Pluris. In a 5-0 vote, the motion passed.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Mylea Pluris to adjourn and seconded by Arla Jean Frazier. In a 5-0 vote, the motion passed and meeting adjourned at 6:48 P.M.

Theron Owen, Member

Dohna Dillard

Bobbie Bostock, President

Mylea/Pluris, 1st Vice-President

Arla Jean Frazier, 2nd Vice-President

ATTEST:

Beth A. Jones Clerk-Treasurer