

A meeting of all committees of the City of Gray, Georgia was held on Monday, February 22, 2021 in the D.V. Childs Civic Center.

Present: Mayor Ed Barbee, Mayor Pro Tem James Collins, Council Members Terry Fulford, Terry Favors and David Tufts, City Attorney John Newberry, City Superintendent Frank Ross, Assistant City Superintendent Cheyenne Morgan, Fire Chief Keith Eisele, Police Chief Adam Lowe, City Clerk Cindy Yancey and Assistant City Clerk Ashley Roberson.

Guests: Sherri Rollins, Haley Watson and Debbie Lurie-Smith, *The Jones County News*.

Mayor Barbee called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

Finance/Tax Committee:

- Financial update
 - 95.82% of 2020 Property Taxes have been collected. The unpaid balance is \$40,978.21.
- Georgia Power Franchise check
 - We received the franchise check from Georgia Power. It was down 8% from last year.
- Special Event Alcohol Permit
 - After much discussion, it was decided not to move forward with the Special Event Alcohol Permit.

Water/Sewer Committee:

- Water/Sewer collaboration with County
 - Mayor Pro Tem Collins reported that this is on the agenda for the Quarterly Meeting tomorrow night with the County and Board of Education.
- Folds Drive Project
 - City Clerk Cindy Yancey reported that she would be putting the Folds Drive Project on the March Council agenda to officially abandon the project since the City is not moving forward with it she has to expense it out.
- Smoke Testing
 - Assistant City Superintendent Morgan reported that smoke testing on sewer lines is done. They found minor repairs that have been done in house. Engineer Matt Smith is getting bids for repairs on Dolly Street.
- Sewer Spill
 - Assistant City Superintendent Morgan reported that there was a sewer spill on February 13th.

Plan Committee:

- Mayor Barbee reported that he has been following bills that are currently in legislation regarding load limit on log trucks, there are concerns on how that will affect the City streets. Also there is discussion of changing the process for package sales where all Council would need is petition with signature and to pass a resolution for it to be added to the ballot to be voted on in election.

Personnel Committee:

- No report.

Streets/Sanitation Committee:

- LED lights – Georgia Power
 - Councilman Tufts reported that Assistant City Clerk Ashley Roberson was going to check and be sure that there would be no additional cost for the lights to be changed out.
 - Assistant City Clerk Roberson stated that the representative from Georgia Power called and said that there were 29 lights on Bill Conn Parkway and West Clinton Street that were not changed out for some reason when the rest of the lights were switched to LED and they wanted to change them but needed approval from the City. She will contact him to confirm there will be no changes in cost.

City Property:

- No report.

Public Safety Police/Fire:

- Police Chief Lowe reported that local businesses donated money to the officers to thank them for the work that they do. It was deposited into their contribution account and he plans to do something for the officers with it.
- Fire Chief Eisele reported that the new fire truck should be completed mid to late March.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned.

Assistant City Clerk