

MINUTES
CITY OF TRENTON
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
January 10, 2022 AT 6:00 P.M.
MEETING ROOM: TRENTON CITY HALL

WORKSHOP

1. Approval of Agenda.
2. Approval of previous minutes from December 13, 2021 regular meeting.
3. Board Appointments/Proclamations – Reappointment of Planning Commission Board Members: Daniel Case, Cody Doyle, Phillip York, Ryan Faircloth, and Steven Ryan. Reappointments to Appeals Board members: Steven Hendrix, Larry Case, and Johnny Bradford.
4. SPLOST/ Capital equipment
 - A. City Park restroom improvement to leave open year around. Commissioner Powell has not been able to get anyone to look at the project to get prices. He is still working on the situation.
5. Discussion of preliminary sewer industrial rate – Dewayne Moore presented the rate structure and regulations from the City of Lafayette concerning industrial sewer. Trenton Pressing is currently paying an environmental company to haul off waste that they would like to discharge into the sewer. Dewayne and Mayor Case have been in contact with the engineers to look at this and come up with an industrial sewer usage ordinance as our current ordinance is for residential sewer usage.
6. ARPA funding update – the City is still waiting on the engineers to come up with a contract for the Screen installation at the plant.
7. Update on distilled spirit ordinance – The City Attorney is hoping to be 2/3 finished with a draft ordinance for the Commission to start looking at this week. The City Attorney recommended that the commission look at the GMA publication for distilled spirits and to keep the draft that he sends from public input until the Commission has a chance to send questions to the attorney. Mayor Case asked the Commission to start making a list of things they would like to see put into the ordinance.

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1. Call to Order was by Mayor Case.
2. Invocation was given by Mayor Case.
3. Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Case.
4. Commission Roll Call: Commissioner Houts – present, Commissioner Powell – present, Commissioner Norris – present, and Commissioner Wooten –present.

5. Departmental Reports:

Commissioner Norris asked Officer Craig to demonstrate the new Speed Detection Equipment that was approved for purchase at the last meeting. Commissioner Norris read the Police Department report for the month of December 2021.

Commissioner Powell gave the parks/rec report for the month of December 2021.

Commissioner Houts gave the fire and utilities report for December 2021.

Commissioner Wooten reported that the Street Department had won First Place in the Christmas Parade with the float. The guys also have done a great job clearing the streets during the recent winter weather. They have gathered leaves and cleaned ditches.

Mayor Case reported meetings with the sewer engineers and that a final rule had been issued for the ARPA funding use. Also, the Commission was given a document from GMA concerning LOST renegotiations to look at and begin the process with the County.

Mayor Case read the financial reports for the month of December 2021. A motion was made by Commissioner Wooten and seconded by Commissioner Powell to accept the December 2021 Financials. All in favor. Motion carried.
6. APPEARANCES

Ms. Gass was not in attendance. Jennifer Blair reported that Ms. Gass has been in contact with the schools about tree planting and Ms. Blair will be at Jenkins Park this week planting bulbs.

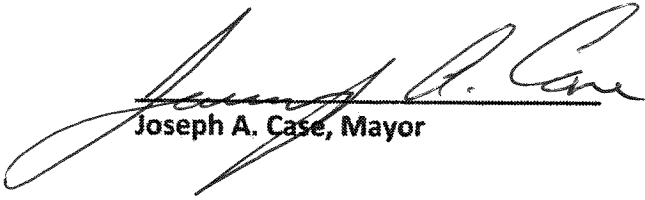
Mindy Howard was present from the Library and gave a monthly report about happenings there.

Ms. Jane Dixon with Alliance was present and gave a monthly report about the work that is going on both with the Alliance and the Optimist Club.

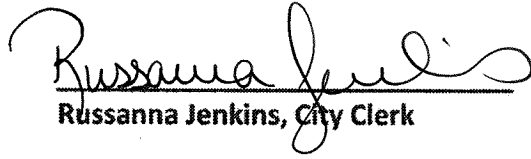
Jennifer Blair gave a report on Town Creek Trail – they are making progress, the hand rails should be finished this week. Ms. Blair also presented a mural design for the Scout Building at Jenkins Park. The Building would need to have some maintenance done before the mural could begin and the estimated cost of the mural would be \$8,000-\$10,000.
7. Legal Matters – none
8. Unfinished Business – none
9. Citizen Participation – Kathy Everett asked about the 80/20 split of the LOST money and how the City knew it was getting the correct amount. Mayor Case explained that the money comes directly from the DOR and is direct deposited into the City account. The distribution is done at the State level. Ms. Everett also had a lengthy discussion about not keeping the draft copy of the ordinance amongst the Commission that the public had voted for distilled spirits and the public deserved to know what was going on. Ms. Everett held another lengthy discussion about spending taxpayer money locally and why employees were not chosen that actually live inside the City or at least the County. Mayor Case and several Commissioners commented that efforts were made to spend locally and to hire locally, but some positions require certification that everyone has.
10. New Business:

Motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by Commissioner Wooten to approve items 1-3 on the workshop agenda, items 4-7 were discussion only. All in favor. Motion carried.

11. Executive Session – none
12. Adjournment:
Motion was made by Commissioner Powell and seconded by
Commissioner Norris to adjourn the meeting. All in favor. Motion carried.



Joseph A. Case, Mayor



Russanna Jenkins, City Clerk