

Town of Talking Rock Monthly Meeting Minutes

September 2, 2021

Tax Increase Public Hearing: Those present Mayor Randy Banks, Clerk Cheryl Sams, Tony Hawf, Jeff Rushbridge, Mari Livsey, Dan Poole and Melissa Weaver. No citizens in attendance. Mayor Banks called the public hearing to order @ 6:30PM and adjourned @ 6:48PM

Those present for the regularly scheduled council meeting were ,Steve Lewis, Andrea Kirsten, Mary Mcdonnell, Mark Mcdonnell, Greg Roy, Wes Farrow, Kenny Weaver, Dan Pool and Mari Livsey, Jeff Rushbridge, Greta Voight, Officer Bufford.

Council member present were Mayor Randy Banks, James Bryant, Tony Hawf, Melissa Weaver, Jeremiah Stone and Town Clerk, Cheryl Sams . Andrea Watson was absent

Mayor Randy Banks called regular monthly meeting to order at 7:00pm.

Jeremiah Stone made a motion to approve August 2021 Meeting Minutes. Seconded by Tony Hawf All voted unanimously in favor.

No motion on approval of Financial Statements due to James Bryant and Tony Hawf alleging numbers not adding up.

Resolution for ARPS funds account presented for signatures. (was approved in July meeting)

Mayor Banks gave update on moving of the storage building. Will be moved by Cecil Hale as soon as weather allows. Estimate of moving fee to be less than \$1,000.00 if no complications

Discussion of the Event permits tabled..

Flood Grant update by Mayor Banks, Bathroom Partitions, Flush Valves, Bathroom Floors, air compressor and road repairs are some items to be completed in the 2nd phase of Grant.

Mayor Banks presented a Resolution for the State of Georgia Scenic Byway (required by State) Melissa Weaver made a motion to approve. Second by Tony Hawf. All Approved

Motion made by Tony Hawf to increase the millage rate to 4 with a roll back to 2 mills. Second by Jeremiah Stone. All approved.

Mayor Banks gave information as to a conversation he had with Representative Rick Jasperse. Rep. Jasperse will discuss the storm water runoff flowing from Mill Creek and Hwy 515 runoff with Georgia Department of Transportation. Including replacing the bridge (or box culvert) with a design that is open so debris can flow under the bridge and not create a dam.

Mayor Banks gave an update on the sewer project. A lot still needs to happen before we are ready to apply for a grant. Jeff Rushbridge is in the processing of working with a property owner about how we can acquire more land. More land is needed to install a system to support growth.

Cheryl Sams read a letter addressing several issues that were contained in an email sent by Tony Hawf to other council members concerning working relationship with other county offices. No issues exist with offices listed.

Mayor Banks gave update on Heritage Days. Vendors are signing up and things are moving along.

Meeting ended at approximately 8:15 pm Next meeting on October 7, 2021 @ 7:00pm

Randy Banks

Melissia Weaver

James Bryant, Jr

Andrea Watson

Tony Hawf

Jeremiah Stone

Attested by:

Cheryl Sams