

Town of Triana Regular Council Meeting
Monday, August 12, 2024
6:30PM

The meeting was called to order by the mayor. The clerk was asked to call the roll.

Councilmember George Ragland – Present
Councilmember Casey Whitman-Present
Councilmember Levoneia Ayers-Present
Councilmember Erica Hopkins-Absent
Councilmember Jason Garstka-Absent
Mayor Mary Caudle – Present

Attorney Caleb Ballew and the clerk Sharron Humphrey were also present.

Motion by Councilmember Whitman to approve the minutes dated July 22, 2024, Councilmember Ayers second the motion. Motion carried.

Mayor Caudle's Report: Reminded everyone that the water will be shut off on tomorrow night from 9:00pm-5:00am, they could finish early. Rain date scheduled for August 15 same time. Reason, Madison Utilities will be tying service for the new Fire Station on 6th Street.

The Committee on districting for voting has a meeting scheduled for August 19 at 5:30. The Slaughter Group will be there to help answer any questions anyone might have; meeting is open to the public.

Madison County will be out tomorrow to repair the pothole on Advent Dr.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

Fire & Police: Chairperson Ragland reported Fire Dept responded to 1-wreck, 13-medical calls, 1-structure fire, 10-alarms and 1-service calls. A total of 26 calls.

Mayor Caudle reported Police Dept traveled 3,427.9 miles, made 45-traffic stops, 43-warning citations, 7-traffic citations, 74-calls for service, 3-arrests and 7-reports.

Finance: Mayor Caudle presented the Bank Reconciliation Statement ending July 31, 2024. Motion by Councilmember Ragland to the Bank Reconciliation Statement ending July 31, 2024, Councilmember Ayers second the motion. Motion carried.

Utility: No Report

Parks & Recreation: Chairperson Ayers reported the following:

Attended the Alabama Senior Citizens Hall of Fame in Montgomery, they recognized 10 permanent inductees on special awards on Education, Military, Religion, Community Service, Area on Aging and Performing Arts.

They also gave out Lifetime achievements awards, couples that were married for 65 years and seniors' citizens that were 100yrs of age or older. She plans to put into create a document and distribute one to all the churches for anyone who has a nonagenarian (someone aged 90-99) person or a centenarian

someone who is 100 years or older. We need to start tracking them and to make sure Town of Triana is recognized at the events so we can recognize them for their work.

Councilmember Ayers stated former Commissioner Mike Gillespie was honored as one of the permanent employees inducted into the annual Hall of Fame. She believes this is something we need to start getting involved in.

Councilmember reported the following: The branch manager at the library is still interested in celebrating the 30-year anniversary of the library. She is looking for photos, news clippings anything that she maybe interested.

The 1st Triana Reunion was held on Saturday, August 10th. She stated event was successful the young ladies hosting did a wonderful job. She stated they plan to make this an annual event.

Streets & Cemetery: No Report

Mayor Caudle reported we had a meeting about the weed ordinance. She stated council all agreed to send out a letter to all the citizens to letting them know beginning of the month to let them know what the process is.

Resolutions, Ordinances, Orders, Other Business:

Councilmember Ragland asked for an update on the fire truck.

Mayor Caudle reported the Town and the County are settling for \$85,000.00 for the wrecked fire truck. We will have to look for one. She stated the County has the title. They will be signing over the title to the insurance company. She stated County has some funding to help us with purchasing another truck

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Larry Harris asked if they could get a sign at the end of Foster Dr that say's, No Outlet. Mayor Stated we will check our shed 1st before ordering one.

Roy Seay asked could there be something put into place before developers start build that they give a completion date.

Mayor stated town passed a moratorium where each can only build a certain number of homes per year. She stated that's still in place. Mr. Seay stated he asked this because the more houses built bring more traffic on the road. He stated more gravel needs to be put in the curve at the 1st Landess Cir. Mayor stated the County has brought gravel out. She stated they are looking for different resources to keep moving forward.

Mayor stated we are looking for grants to help with putting sewer in that area as the city continues to grow.

Betty Williams stated they are having problems with people parking at the Veterans Park, she asked is there anyway they can get a sign to state No Parking anytime.

Mayor stated she had thought about closing the park after hours, look at chain gate. She asked her to contact the company that did the speed bumps.

Ms. Williams stated their next thing is to start a brick campaign putting the soldier's names, anyone that wants to buy a brick for the wall. She stated they received a grant from the Historical Commission for

\$25,000. This will be used for repairing the dorm at the clinic and the sump-pump and get a marker for the clinic and garage.

James Washington asked if the town was having a ribbon cutting for the Fire Station. Mayor Caudle stated their goal is to be finished at the end of August, we had a delay with the water connection. She stated it's real close. She stated we plan to have one in Sept.

Betty Williams stated if the town wants to use the clinic, she stated it's all clear for use if they have a need for. She stated they will have their Veterans Park dedication in November close to holiday.

Fire Chief Beddingfield reported that the mail truck flipped over on Landess Cir near Draper Dr. He stated the mail will be delayed.

Roy Seay reported that Juanita's Toy Drive will be December 14th.

Moved and properly seconded to adjourn.

Date Approved Aug. 26, 2024

Sharron Humphrey
Sharron Humphrey, Town Clerk-Treasurer

Mary Caudle
Mayor or Chair Pro Tempore