

Town of Triana Regular Council Meeting
Monday, August 26, 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

Members present constituted a quorum.

Legal counsel Doug Martinson, II and the clerk Sharron Humphrey were also present.

Approval of minutes: Motion by Councilmember Whitman to approve the minutes dated Aug. 12, 2024, Councilmember Ayers second the motion. Motion carried.

Mayor Caudle's Report: Presented a proposed 5% salary increase for the upcoming fiscal year for all employees starting Oct. 1, 2024.

Motion by Councilmember Ragland to approve the 5% pay increase for employees.
Councilmember Ayers second the motion. Roll call vote, Ragland-yes, Ayers-yes, Whitman-yes and Caudle-yes. Unanimous consent, motion carried.

She will be reminding everyone of the things that need to be done as listed on the Municipal Election Calendar for the upcoming Election of 2025.

With the increase in population they have had 1 public hearing meeting, committee meeting with council working on districting for voting only. They have a copy of the second draft, the final report must be completed by February. Their goal is to have it completed by October.

A Public Hearing is scheduled for Sept. 23 at 5:30pm for the purpose of answering any questions anyone might have. If any citizen has any questions or comments, please submit them early so they can be worked on.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

Fire & Police:

Chairperson Ragland reported that the Fire Dept responded to 3-fire alarms, 8-medical calls, and 1-motor vehicle accident. Total of 12.

Police Dept traveled 2,440, 54-traffic citation, 37-warning citations, 26-traffic citations, 47-calls for service, 1-arrest and 20-reports.

Mayor Caudle stated we are still looking to hire 2 full-time police officers.

Councilmember Hopkins asked her to remind Council for the committees they chair if they could get their budget items into her. They will have a Finance work session then the final budget to be submitted to the council.

Utility: Chairperson Whitman reported that the sewer project phase 2 is almost complete, waiting on EOS to do their final inspection and contract close-out.

Park & Recreation: Chairperson Ayers reported that Councilperson Hopkins is our representative with Community Action (who is not here tonight) asked her to speak on two topics. She stated automated scheduling for the utility will open back up on August 30th at 8:00am and, the Triana /Madison Community Council are looking for volunteers.

Councilmember Ayers stated her budget for Park & Rec. has them looking for quotes to purchase benches and picnic tables. She stated they have found a new vendor to work with.

They are looking to place tables in the park area and other places as needed. The work will be done in stages. They are also looking for trash receptacles.

Mayor Caudle asked that something be placed in the driveway to the Veterans Park until they have their grand opening. She stated people are using the area for parking.

RESOLUTIONS, ORDINANCES, ORDERS AND OTHER BUSINESS:

Mayor Caudle presented Ordinance 2024-03, an amendment to our speed Limit Ordinance 2017-04 speed limit. She stated the County has changed their speed limit leaving Triana from 50MPH to 40MPH. They are asking us to change our also.

Councilmember Whitman stated he does not have an issue with it, his question is can we ask them to post a 35MPH going north bound of Zierdt Rd. Mayor stated she can email them.

Motion by Councilmember Whitman to consider Ordinance 2024-03 regarding speed limits. Councilmember Ayers second the motion. Motion carried.

Motion by Councilmember Whitman to adopt Ordinance 2024-03, Councilmember Ayers second the motion. Roll call, Ragland-yes, Ayers-yes, Whitman-yes and Caudle-yes. Unanimous consent, motion carried.

Public comments:

Roy Seay asked for a deadline date for the completion of street repairs to Landess Cir. on the hill off Wall Triana Hwy. Mayor stated she will check on it.

Mr. Seay asked what we are doing about safety, possibly adding a flashing light at the top of the hill on Landess and leaving the new subdivision on Landess.

Councilman Whitman stated Councilman Garstka was checking into that with the company that sold us the speed cushions.

Kim Holmes, Triana Librarian reported that they had 60 programs with 800 participants and about 4,000 check-outs at the library this summer. She stated they will be having a birthday party for the

library on Oct 12th . She stated if anyone has any pictures of the other two locations she would love a couple of them.

Kim Doughty stated they are ready for their permanent water service installation. Mayor stated when Madison Utilities gets ready to install service, we will let them know.

Betty Hunter, Executive Dir of the Triana Housing stated she is planning to retire in Oct. she stated her position will be available for anyone with interest.

Ms. Hunter stated they have been getting complaints about the trash on their property. She stated they have a place to put their trash, but she has seen other people come by and dump their trash also. She is thinking about posting a no dumping sign.

Moved and properly seconded to adjourn.

Date approved Sept. 9, 2024

Sharon Humphrey
Sharon Humphrey, Town Clerk-Treasurer

May [Signature]
Mayor or Chair Pro-tempore