



TOWN OF WILLISTON

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Williston Town Council
Special Called Meeting
March 1, 2023
5:30 PM

Notice of this meeting was posted at the Williston Town Hall and provided to the People Sentinel Newspaper at least 24 hours in advance of the meeting under the SC Freedom of Information Act.

The Special Called Meeting was called to order at 5:30 PM. The following officials were present: Mayor Brett Williams, Councilmember Annie Tyler, Councilmember Eric Moody, Councilmember Adadra Neville, Councilmember Alyson Collins, Councilmember Kurt Odermatt, and Councilmember Scott Valentine.

The Town Administrator Michael Beasley and Town Clerk Kayla Jerkins were in attendance.

Attorney Thomas Boulware was in attendance.

Mayor Williams called the meeting to order, and he stated there was a quorum.

Councilmember Moody led the invocation.

Councilmember Odermatt led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Williams welcomed everyone to the Special Called Meeting.

Mayor Williams asked for a motion to approve the Agenda. Councilmember Valentine made a motion to approve the agenda. Councilmember Odermatt seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion carried.

Line Item# 6: Public Comment

No public comment was made.

Line Item# 7: Approval of grant application USDA Water Improvement: Authorizing the Town Administrator to sign application.

Administrator Beasley said the “USDA Water Improvement Grant” needs to say “Emergency Rural Health Care Grant” on the agenda.

Mayor Williams asked for a motion to amend the agenda so the agenda will be, "Approval of the grant application for the Emergency Rural Health Care Grant: Authorizing the Town Administrator to sign the application." Councilmember Odermatt made a motion to amend the agenda so the agenda will be, "Approval of the grant application for the Emergency Rural Health Care Grant: Authorizing the Town Administrator to sign the application. Councilmember Tyler made a second. All were in favor and the motion carried.

Administrator Beasley said that the grant application is a million-dollar grant that the fire department is wanting to apply for. It is time for the town to update the fire truck.

Mayor Williams said the service truck needs to be updated.

Councilmember Moody asked what was wrong with the service truck.

Mayor Williams said it is cracked again.

Councilmember Odermatt said it was a safety hazard.

Mayor Williams said that the town may have to borrow money, or they may not once the budget is started, they will look at it.

Administrator Beasley said the grant requires the applicator to spend \$250,000 to get the \$1,000,000.

Councilmember Moody said if the truck cost \$400,00 to \$500,000 then what would the rest be spent on.

Mayor Williams said the fire department would have to come to council and ask to see what it could be spent on after reading the grant requirements.

Councilmember Moody said that the town has fire hydrants in town that need to be fixed and that could be looked into as an option.

Administrator Beasley said the chief may come to the next meeting to explain the breakdown of the grant. On the agenda today is just asking for the approval for the authorization to sign the application and apply for the grant.

Mayor Williams asked for a motion for the approval of the grant application for the Emergency Rural Health Care Grant: Authorizing the Town Administrator to sign the application. Councilmember Valentine made a motion for the approval of the grant application for the Emergency Rural Health Care Grant: Authorizing the Town Administrator to sign the application. Councilmember Neville seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion carried.

Line Item# 8: Personnel resignation: recreation department.

Administrator Beasley said he would write a letter to the employee asking for any leftover town belongings not already returned to the town. Mayor Williams asked for a motion to accept the resignation of Employee A. Councilmember Moody made a motion to accept the resignation of

Employee A. Councilmember Valentine made a second. All were in favor and the motion carried.

Line Item #9: Administrator's Report: Administrator Beasley:

Administrator Beasley said this month is going to dig into the budget with the department heads and the employees. Administrator Beasley said he wants to meet about 2-3times with the council in March. The first reading of the budget will be in May and the second reading of the budget will be in June. Administrator Beasley wants to explain the revenue and the expense reports, so that when the council receives the monthly reports they will be able to read them with ease. Administrator Beasley wants to start with the employees first. There will be an increase in the budget this year because the previous administrator included the ARPA grant money. \

Line Item #10: Mayor's Report: Mayor Brett Williams.

Councilmember Collins said she contacted a citizen to help with the recreation department.

Mayor Williams said the fence bids that Coach got are silver fences and we want them to be black to match the dog park.

Line Item # 11: Adjournment

Mayor Williams asked for a motion to Adjourn the Special Called Meeting.

Councilmember Valentine made a motion to Adjourn the Special Called Meeting.

Councilmember Tyler seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion carried.

The Special Called Meeting was adjourned at 5:54PM.

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Brett Williams, Mayor

ATTEST:

Kayla Jerkins, Town Clerk

Date