TOWN OF TRION COUNCIL MEETING February 24, 2022

COUNCIL PRESENT: Mayor Lanny Thomas, Mickey McGraw, Jeff Wilson, Don Harris, and Becky McWhorter. Cindy Anderson was not present.

VISITORS PRESENT: Dan Little, David Gilleland, Peyton Elliott, Bill Bozian, Bobby Ward, Mike Hughes, Logan Greene, Charles D. Lutin, Patty Martin, Justin Lowe, Paula Arden, and Missy Duncan.

Mayor Thomas opened the meeting and Mickey McGraw said the prayer. Then, Don Harris led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Thomas ask that the Agenda, January Minutes, and December Financial Reports be approved by general consent. All were in agreement.

Old Business:

Steve Baker – Annexation – Tim Perry Enterprises:

Mayor Thomas advised that Steve Baker was unable to attend tonight but would like the council to consider the request for annexation. Item died for lack of motion.

Second Reading of Change in the Travel Ordinance concerning Per Diem:

Mayor Thomas advised this was the second reading to change meal expense in travel to a Per Diem. Jeff Wilson made a motion to approve the Second Reading of the Travel Ordinance concerning the Per Diem. Don Harris gave this motion a second. Passed unanimously.

New Business:

Approval of Gas Agreement with Mt. Vernon:

Mayor Thomas advised this was a FIRM natural Gas Sales Agreement between the town and Mount Vernon. Don Harris made a motion to give Mayor Thomas authorization to sign the Gas Agreement with Mount Vernon with a second from Becky McWhorter. Passed unanimously.

Approval of Employee for the Gas Department – Gregory Logan Greene:

Mike Hughes introduced Logan Greene as his recommendation to work for the Gas Department. Mickey McGraw made a motion with a second from Don Harris to approve this recommendation and hire Logan Greene. Passed unanimously.

Accept Roof Bids for Recreation Center:

The sealed bids were opened at a public meeting on February 09, 2022 at 1:00p.m. with Mayor Thomas, Don Harris, Rusty Brown, Andrew Firestone (Camco Services), Rachel Solomon (ACR Commercial Roofing), and Missy Duncan.

	Company Name	<u>Bid</u>
1.	ACR/Alpha Commerce Roofing 2358 Perimeter PK DR ST 370 Atlanta, GA 30341	\$176,159.86
2.	GMC Blue Service, Inc. 6062 Buford Hwy, Ste 207 Norcross, GA 30071	\$155,000.00
3.	CAMCO Services LLC 402 Cedar Ave Rome, GA 30161	\$135,000.00

Mayor Thomas advised that CAMCO Services LLC did not include a Bid Bond in their packet so they will have to be disqualified. After much discussion, Mickey McGraw made a motion to re-bid the Trion Recreation Roof. Jeff Wilson gave this motion a second. Passed unanimously.

Add a new Officer to the Fire Department:

Mayor Thomas advised that by adding another officer it would cost the town approximately \$1,500.00 every six months. This would be an additional cost to the town only that Mount Vernon Mills does not share half of this expense. Don Harris made a motion with a second from Becky McWhorter to add an additional officer. Passed unanimously.

Council Comments:

Jeff Wilson – I would like to thank the Chief for showing us the rough set of plans that Eddy Willingham has drew up of the new police department. Also, I would like to say that all of the pressure washing looks great.

Becky McWhorter – Thank you, Justin Lowe, if my house was on fire, I would want you to be there to take of care of everything.

Mickey McGraw – Yes, Thank you Justin and all of the fire fighters. I see y'all out there training even on Saturday afternoon. Welcome aboard Logan. It's good having you working for the town. Also, thank you Mr. Wilson for taking me on a tour of the new Wrestling Complex. Hard to believe it's the old Triangle Hardware building.

Don Harris - I would like to congratulate the girls' varsity basketball team for winning 1st place. They have another game on Saturday.

Mayor Thomas — I would like everyone to know that for the last two months I have been working on the Park Avenue flooding issue. I have all the new easements in my office and right now I lack one person who hasn't agreed to sign them. So, I have advised our attorney to go forward with eminent domain on this one person. Also, Rusty and I have been working on getting a grant to do a ramp on the river. The Sheriff 's office has purchased a rescue boat and we have a lot of people floating down the river. Mickey and I are going to meet with the Chattooga River Group. They are putting on a Riverfest at Lyerly this year and it would be great to have it here at Trion the following year.

At 6:16p.m., a motion was made by Don Harris and seconded by Becky McWhorter to adjourn. Passed unanimously.

MAYOR	MAYOR-PROTEM