

**TOWN OF TRION
COUNCIL MEETING**

June 21, 2022

COUNCIL PRESENT: Mayor Lanny Thomas, Mickey McGraw, Jeff Wilson, Don Harris, Becky McWhorter, and Cindy Anderson.

VISITORS PRESENT: David Gilleland, Peyton Elliott, Mike Hughes, Brandon Croy, Rusty Brown, Conner Ray, 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, May Minutes, and April Financial Reports be approved by general consent. All were in agreement.

Old Business:

Mayor Thomas advised that we had no old business.

New Business:

Hire Summer Part-Time Help at Recreation Center – Conner Ray:

Mayor Thomas turned the meeting over to Rusty Brown where he introduced Conner Ray to the council. Don Harris made a motion to hire Conner Ray as a part-time summer worker for the recreation center. Mickey McGraw gave this motion a second. Passed unanimously.

2022/2023 Budget:

Lanny Thomas asked if anyone had any more questions concerning the 2022/2023 Budget? With there being none, he asked for a motion to approve the budget. Mickey McGraw made a motion with a second from Jeff Wilson to accept the budget as is for 2022/2023. Passed unanimously.

Lease Agreement with Family Resource Agency of North Georgia:

Mayor Thomas advised that Attorney, Chris Corbin, hasn't finished the lease completely, but you have the old lease and the only thing we are changing is to have it a yearly renewal instead of every five years. Don Harris made a motion for Mayor Thomas to sign the new lease once completed. Cindy Anderson gave this motion a second. Passed unanimously.

Resolution – Hazard Mitigation Plan Update:

Mayor Thomas advised this was a resolution to participate in the Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan with Chattooga County. Cindy Anderson made a motion to for Mayor Thomas to sign this resolution with a second from Don Harris. Passed unanimously.

Liquor by the Drink – Referendum:

After much discussion, Jeff Wilson made a motion to call for a Special Called Election to allow the citizens of the town to decide on liquor by the drink. Mickey McGraw gave this motion a second. Passed unanimously.

Council Comments:

Jeff Wilson – I would like to say thank you to everyone for all you do.

Becky McWhorter – Thank you all the town looks good.

Mickey McGraw – I appreciate all you guys and you too, Missy Duncan, thank you.

Cindy Anderson – We where talking with a family that came to the tournament at the recreation center, and they had nothing but kindness to say about our town. They where impressed with how it was ran and commented on how clean our town was. So, thank all the employees for what they do.

Don Harris – Yes, keep hydrated with this hot weather. The town looks good, and Rusty Brown the old tennis courts are looking much better. I would like to thank everyone and especially the Veterans for coming the ceremony. Also, thanks to the Summerville News for the wonderful coverage in the paper. And thank you to anyone that helped in anyway with the Veterans ceremony.

Mayor Thomas – I would like to give a half-year report of all the hard work we have all done together. We have a new roof at the recreation center, we have dressed up the pavilion and town hall, we have installed new handicap swings, we passed a budget without a resolution and included an extra \$1,000.00 bonus, we finished getting water to Riegel Crossing, changed the travel policy to a per diem, updated the police department with a part-time take home car policy, we have amended our alcohol policy for liquor stores, and last but not least we have a disc golf tournament coming July 23rd with 72 players on the list and many more on the wait list. Also, we are working on getting new playground equipment between the two ballfields beside Freddie's Field.

At 6:22p.m., a motion was made by Don Harris and seconded by Becky McWhorter to adjourn. Passed unanimously.

MAYOR

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