

January 27, 2020

Working Session

The Working Session of the Denton Town Council was called to order by Mayor McNinch at 6:30 PM on this date, leading everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Councilman Lister was absent, all other Council members were in attendance.

Staff present included – Don Mulrine, Mark Chandler, Phil Clark, David Renshaw and Karen Monteith.

Discussion was held on the following items:

Mid-Shore Council on Family Violence

Mrs. Carol Calloway, Assistant Director of MSCFV, provided the Council with an update on the services being provided in Caroline County, including new classes, location upgrades, and the program future needs.

Wastewater Treatment Plant Updates

Mr. Mark Chandler, Water & Wastewater Operations Superintendent, provided an update and discussion was held on the following: Ultra-Violet and EWIP projects; sludge pump repair; new state permitting changes; new requirement for signage for the outfall pipe located at the end of Sharp Road; the County's request asking the Town to relocate the fence at the Wilmuth St. Pump Station to accommodate the ingress and egress for their new fueling shelter; MDE Equipment and Operations Grant.

Sandy Meadows Fence Agreement and Road Dedication Agreement

Mr. Mulrine, Town Administrator, provided an update and discussion was held pertaining to the Miron Fence Agreement and the Sandy Meadows Road Dedication Agreement; developer responsibilities and legal expenses.

Audit Services Renewal

A discussion was held on extending the Auditing and Financial Report Services Contract with TGM Group. This item will be on the February Agenda for consideration.

Sharp Road Park

Mr. Phil Clark, Superintendent of Public Works Water and Wastewater Distribution, and Mr. Mulrine provided an update on the work being completed at the Sharp Road Park. There was follow up discussion on the January 13th Sharp Road Park Meeting and how to move forward and plans for utilizing the Bond Bill funds to complete the walking path. Staff is working on getting estimates for the proposed ball fields and recreation areas that were mentioned at the park meeting, restrooms, and parking.

Double Hills Farm – Master Plan

Discussion was held pertaining to the newly proposed Double Hills Farm Master Plan received from Caroline County; the Town's infrastructure requirements; sending the plan to the Town's Planning Commission for review.

Staff will schedule a meeting with the County to discuss the proposed plan in more detail.

Property Maintenance Issue

Mr. David Renshaw, Senior Codes Enforcement Officer, shared information on a property in Town that the Planning & Codes Department is currently working on to bring into compliance.

Capital Budget Request

Mr. Mulrine presented discussed a draft capital budget listing.

Burn Barrels in Town

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Mr. Renshaw provided an update on research conducted pertaining to allowing burn barrels in Town.

Miscellaneous

Mr. Mulrine provided an update on the Franklin Street Water Main Project.

Councilman Johnson talked about Facebook posts and ways to avoid creating a liability.

With no further business to discuss, Mayor McNinch adjourned the Working Session at 8:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

*Karen L. Monteith,
Clerk-Treasurer*