



TOWN OF BRIGHTON

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SPECIAL CALLED MEETING

July 14, 2022

9:00 AM

*****This meeting was held at the Brighton Community Center.*****

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Chapman Washam at 9:01a.m.

ROLL CALL

Present

Stephanie Chapman-Washam, Mayor
Melissa Sartain, Vice Mayor
Eunice Foster, Alderman
Alderdwoman Kristin Gardner
Shane Greer, Alderman

Absent

Others Attending:

Tim Williams, Brighton Public Works
Corey Gatlin, Brighton Code Enforcement
David Braden, Poplar Grove Utilities
Johnathon Briles, Brighton Public Works
Billy Ridgell, Brighton Public Works
Damon Burnett, Brighton Public Works
Lee Tate, Brighton Public Works
Tammy McKinney, CMFO

Guests:

NEW BUSINESS

Public Works Employees

The Mayor opened by saying this meeting is to discuss the Public Works Director and the Public Works Department. How the Town would like to move forward. The Mayor asked if any of the Public Works Department would like to speak. Mr. Ridgell, Brighton Public Works, formally gave his written letter of resignation. Alderman Foster spoke. At the end, he stated that he thought the Town reacted too harsh concerning Johnathon Briles. Alderman Foster moves that they reinstate Johnathon with probation and a write up. All of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen took a turn at speaking. Mr. Burnett, Brighton Public Works, spoke in behalf of Aubrey Foreman. Mr. Braden spoke to the Board concerning his conversation with a State Comptroller employee. Mayor Chapman Washam verified that the incident was submitted to the State Comptroller. Mr. Briles spoke on behalf of the Public Works Department. **After a lengthy discussion, Alderman Foster made a motion to reinstate Mr. Briles to his original position with a 3 month probation and a write up. The motion was seconded by Alderwoman Gardner.**

YAY

Vice Mayor Sartain

Alderman Foster

Alderwoman Gardner

NAY

Alderman Greer

Majority approved. Motion passed.

Mr. Aubrey Foreman remains terminated.

Culverts

The Board of Mayor and Aldermen revisited the discussion concerning providing a service to our citizens that involves putting in/replacing culverts. After a brief discussion, the Board of Mayor and Aldermen verbally agreed to not offer this service at this time. However, they can revisit the issue and make it a policy at a later date.

Transfer

The Board of Mayor and Aldermen discussed a transfer fee again. Alderman Greer wants to know what does it cost the Town to connect a service. Mr. Braden discussed a formula that Poplar Grove uses to project the cost. Along with several other subjects, this formula includes bad debt. To calculate the bad debt, you need to take the amount of your bad debt and divide it by the number of new costumers you had. Mayor Chapman Washam said she will work with Mr. Briles and Ms. McKinney to get the cost totaled.

ADJOURNMENT

Vice Mayor Sartain made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Alderwoman Gardner seconded the motion. All approved. Motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 10:20am.

Stephanie Chapman-Washam, Mayor

Tammy McKinney, CMFO