

October 15, 2024

The Mooresville Town Council met in regular session on Tuesday, October 15, 2024, at 6:30 p.m. at the Mooresville Government Center.

Council members present were Council President Tom Warthen, Councilman Greg Swinney, Councilman Josh Brown, and Councilman Kirk Witt. Councilman Jeff Cook was absent. Town Attorney Chou-il Lee was present.

Council President Warthen gave the invocation and called the meeting to order.

Councilman Brown motioned to approve the minutes of the October 1, 2024, meeting and seconded by Councilman Swinney. Motion carried 4-0.

Unfinished Business -

Garret Evans and Alex Bargood with Ameresco gave an update on the HVAC project and presented an addendum to the initial contract. They detailed the scope of the work that would be included in the various buildings, including the government center, the town court building, the fire department, the town garage, and the wastewater treatment plant. The proposed project cost is \$1,974,300, and ARPA funds are available to cover this cost. Another contractor will be used for the HVAC work at the Parks Department office. That project will cost approximately \$21,000. They detailed how some new systems would work and the various methods used to heat and cool the buildings.

Councilman Brown motioned to proceed with the Ameresco contract. Councilman Swinney seconded. The motion carried 4-0.

Councilman Brown motioned to approve Phil Cornelius moving forward with the HVAC project at the Parks Department office. Councilman Swinney seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

New Business -

During the 2nd Reading of 2025 Budget Ordinance 13-2024, Council President Warthen detailed some changes that the county council informed him of. These changes would result in an additional \$95,000 going into the LOIT. Still, lowering revenue shares could result in a loss of about \$71,000 that would typically go into the general fund.

Councilman Swinney made a motion to approve Budget Ordinance 13-2024. Councilman Brown seconded. Motion carried 4-0

Councilman Warthen presented the job description for the Department of Public Works Superintendent. Town Attorney Lee approved the wording for the job description and advised posting the opening on the Town website and pushing it out to other platforms. There was some discussion as to the steps of the hiring process, including a committee to review the resumes submitted and an executive session to hold the interviews. There was a consensus to set a deadline of November 8, 2024, for resumes to be submitted to the Clerk-Treasurer, Dianna Wamsley.

Councilman Witt motioned for Councilman Swinney and Councilman Brown to make up the resume review committee. Councilman Swinney seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

Town Attorney Lee updated that the final engineering document for the Readl Grant project at 9 W. Main Street is still pending.

Council President Warthen gave an update on the Phase II Sewer project, which secured funding from Morgan County and the Mooresville Redevelopment Commission. A total of \$2.0 million came from the Morgan County ARPA fund and \$2.7 million from Mooresville Redevelopment, for a total cost of \$4.74 million. The Council President stated that a belt press is under consideration for managing wastewater sludge. If approved for purchase, the belt press would cost \$1M. Currently, the sewer rates are sufficient to support the two projects, so no rate adjustments are anticipated.

Department Head Reports -

Chief Buckner confirmed that the annual trick-or-treating will occur on October 31st from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. The Mooresville Police Department actively participated in a donation drive to aid Storm Helena victims, and the donated items were transported to Newport, Tennessee.

Phil Cornelius updated the council on the upcoming Halloween Hike on October 26th at Pioneer Park from 3 pm to 5 pm. The new Christmas tree has been delivered, and installation will begin the week of November 4th. The tree lighting ceremony is scheduled for the first of December. He also updated the council on the ongoing access control and security camera project.

Public Comments –

There were none.

Councilman Swinney motioned to approve claims for \$498,679.13. Councilman Brown seconded. Motion carried 4-0.


Councilman Swinney motioned to approve payroll clearing for \$196,049.15. Councilman Brown seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

Town Council Comments –

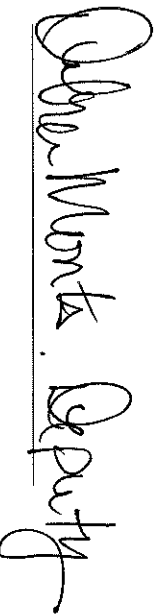
Councilman Witt gave an update on the approved insurance claim for the Life Pak unit. The value was \$41,912.80, and \$24,208 has already been received on the insurance claim. The recoverable depreciation is \$16,765.14. Once the receipt for the new unit is received and sent in, the balance will be paid less the deductible of \$939.53. He commended Larry Long's performance as the town's insurance agent.

The next regular meeting of the Mooresville Town Council will be held on Tuesday, November 5, 2024, at 6:30 p.m. at the Mooresville Government Center.

With no further business to come before the council, Councilman Brown made a motion to adjourn, which Councilman Witt seconded. The Motion was Carried 4-0.



Tom Warthen, Council President



Dianna Wamsley, Clerk-Treasurer