

Town of Macclesfield
Board of Commissioners
Regular Scheduled Meeting
Town of Macclesfield Town Hall
December 12, 2022
6:00 PM

Members in attendance were as follows:

Commissioner Joyce Braxton

Commissioner Charles Lewis

Mayor Emily Turner (Via Face Time)

Town Clerk Jennifer Stanley

Commissioner Jean Wooten-Jiles

Mayor Pro-Tem Paula Lewis

Town Administrator Pamela Hurdle

Public Works Director, Benjy Lassiter

Mayor Pro-Tem Paula Lewis called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM. Commissioner C Lewis led the invocation and all in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioner Braxton made a motion to approve the meeting agenda. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Wooten-Jiles. With none opposed the motion carried and the agenda was approved.

Commissioner P Lewis made a motion to approve the consent agenda as written. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Wooten-Jiles and with none opposed the motion carried and the consent agenda was approved as written.

There was no scheduled business nor citizen concerns at this time.

The Tree Lighting was agreed to have been a success. It was mentioned that maybe next year the town could have the Carver chorus come perform. Santa was a hit, even though he was delayed by an accident on his way to town. It was stated that the donations for the band and for Santa were taken care of.

Town Administrator, Mrs. Hurdle presented the board with Budget Amendment #2. This amendment is needed to help cover the cost of the auditor and CPA services as well as to help cover the rising costs of chemicals for the wastewater plant. Mrs. Hurdle stated that she and Mrs. Stanley are working together to help alleviate some of the costs for the services provided by the CPA. She also reported that the FY 20/21 audit has been submitted to LGC for approval. The auditors are working on the FY 21/22 audit now and hope to have it finished by the end of January – only one month late instead of over a year late like the FY 20/21. Commissioner P Lewis made a motion to approve Budget Amendment #2. Commissioner Braxton seconded the motion and with none opposed, the motion carried and the budget amendment was approved.

Mrs. Stanley began the financial report and there was some question about what the bank fees were for. It was explained that the fees were for credit card processing, ACH transactions for utilities, payroll,

and AP. When asked if the customers were receiving any of the charges, it was stated that the board can decide to charge a convenience fee for debit/credit card use.

We still have 2 CDs that will not reach maturation until June/July 2023. Once they mature, they will be moved to NCCMT accounts as the other three were.

Commissioner C Lewis mentioned that since there is a good balance in the Powell Bill account, could the town fix some of the potholes in the streets. Mr. Lassiter stated that he would have to purchase patch supplies.

Public works had nothing to report other than the new hire was doing a good job.

The Administrator's report was on the interviews for the utility clerk position. Commissioner Braxton, Commissioner Wooten-Jiles, Mrs. Hurdle and Mrs. Stanley conducted interviews on Wednesday, December 7th. The panel used a scoring system to determine the best candidate. Candidate Number 1 has already begun the pre-employment process. Commissioner Braxton made a motion to approve Candidate #1 for pre-employment processing. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Wooten-Jiles. With none opposed, Candidate #1 was approved for the pre-employment process.

Commissioner C Lewis mentioned that a resident had approached him with concerns about drug activity in the Cale Town area. It was agreed that the concerned citizen will need to call the police when they see such activity.

Commissioner Wooten-Jiles asked if there was any ordinance regarding dogs being on a leash. It was discussed that the town has faced this issue before and if there is no ordinance, there needs to be one. Mrs. Hurdle will look into this.

Commissioner Wooten-Jiles mentioned some suspicious activity around the cul de sac with someone sitting there in their car with no lights on.

There still has been no contact regarding the Senior Living Community possibility for the town. However, Dollar General is VERY interested but not in the Fire Department lot. They are instead looking at any corner lots and are beginning the process of contacting the owners and discussing the possibility of sale of the lots.

Reminders were read regarding the holiday office hours and closures, the next board meeting on January 9 at 6PM as well as the housing committee meeting at 5PM, and the Community listening session on Tuesday, December 13 at 6PM.

Commissioner P Lewis made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Braxton and with none opposed the meeting adjourned at 6:42 PM.

Emily S. Turner
01/11/2023