

7:00 – PM – CALL MEETING TO ORDER ROLL CALL

- PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- READING OF MINUTES/APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES
- COMMENTS/PUBLIC ISSUES
  - FINANCIAL REPORT (Hand out)

## **1. COUNCIL AGENDA /ISSUES/WORK UPDATES:**

**GARDEN** - Brenda Sells - Updates?

**PARK** - Monte Powell - Updates?

**COMMUNITY CENTER** - Update?

**ROADS AND APPEARANCE** - Update?

## **2. OLD BUSINESS:**

- The replacement lights for the garden were ordered and Wade Mosley has installed them. I was able to purchase them through Amazon a lot cheaper than we had originally purchased them through C2C Lighting. We just have to ensure that we get the right ones as there aren't a lot offered that we need that are also 120V.
- Last month I ran the quarterly reports electronically through QuickBooks. When I went to submit the 941/SchB report for the IRS, since I'd received our 10-digit PIN, I received notification that we also had to have a 4-digit PIN through EFTPS. I sent a request for the PIN hoping we'd receive it back in time before the end of the month deadline. Luckily, I was submitting the reports during the middle of the month. We received it back just in time so I was able to submit it on July 30th. Since I was able to submit all the reports I did the instructions for our Training Manual. I also notified [Shea Hullender](#) so she can run them when they need to be submitted again in October she can run them. This way if there are any questions I can answer them and make modifications to the instructions. If anyone should have to run them in our absence the Training Manual is located on top of the filing cabinets in the meeting room.
- I replaced the handle for the toilet in the men's restroom at the Gift Shop but noticed that the Fill Valve & Flapper could probably stand to be replaced also. Both appeared to have been installed for a while. I asked Sue to contact John Edge to have those parts replaced and to go ahead and have the ones on the women's restroom replaced also.
- Sue's computer has been installed and everything has been moved over. I also purchased Norton 360 since the initial free antivirus software is only good for a couple months before it would have to be purchased.
- I talked to Luis concerning the crepe myrtles blocking the sign at the park. He said that he would be able to cut them lower sections and 'train' them to grow higher and that way hopefully we wouldn't have to continue to cut them as often or remove them.
- Fernando has the garden bench but we still haven't gotten it back yet. I'll try to reach out to him and see if he knows when he might be finished.

- Now that the fence has been done at the lift station, I will get the locks to go on the gates and put the new tarp over the spare pump.

### **3. NEW BUSINESS:**

- We've received a couple more checks from FEMA/GEMA for hurricane Helene. We received reimbursement for the SPLOST account to cover the Push 'n Pull that had been paid to Luis Nino & Chad Edge for clearing trees & debris. And we also received a check for the General account for the Garden & Park.
- It has come to our attention that the City of Lyons is changing their solid waste pickup to Allgreen Services. I'm not sure if/when our contract with Republic expires. Monte mentioned that one of their representatives is wanting to contact me to discuss us possibly moving over to them. Once I find out the details I'll provide them to you hopefully in our next council meeting. Since Lyons is going to go with Allgreen it might be possible for us to do also, if the price is good, since they'll now be around our location.
- We had been notified that the door in the Community Center located to access the handicap ramp was stuck and wouldn't open. I checked the door myself and it appeared that the door knob wasn't working. When turning the knob, the latch wasn't moving and was still stuck in the door frame. We had Clarence Pittman repair the door.
- We received notice that the GMA District 9 Fall meeting will be held Thursday, September 25th from 5:30pm to 7:30pm in Metter at the Georgia Grown Center located at 25 S. Terrell Street Metter, GA 30439. As usual they will offer a meal therefore anyone wishing to attend needs to let me know so that I can register everyone so they'll know how much food to have prepared.
- When I met with our attorney Tina Maddox last week concerning the sewage contract with the City of Lyons, I also asked her if she has any suggestions on what we should do to address our issue with Mr. Duerfeldt and his city properties. She suggested maybe approaching him with a firm offer to purchase one of the properties to see if that might influence him to do something. I'm wondering if I should contact an attorney with more experience dealing with real estate to see if they have any viable suggestions. Do you agree or do you want to continue waiting and see if the county does something and us 'piggyback' off of their efforts?
- I provided everyone with information concerning the ProPump Solutions quotes for us, possibly changing from our current sewage pump service provider. I've also received some more information that I've provided you such as the cost of a new pump, etc. Does anyone have any questions or want to discuss before you vote on whether to stay with our current service provider (Xylem) or change over and use ProPump Solutions?