

REGULAR MEETING (2)
OCTOBER 26TH, 2022 5:00 P.M.
KENTLAND TOWN HALL

Attending: Debby Shufflebarger, President, James Sammons and David Michael Rowe, Council Members and Judy King, Clerk/Treasurer

The meeting opened by saying the Pledge of Allegiance

BUILDING COMMISSIONER

Matt Wittenborn had nothing to report

TOWN MANAGER

Ricky Hughes had nothing to report

CHIEF OF POLICE

Julian Elson had nothing to report

FIRE CHIEF

Matt Wittenborn reported that there has been no news from Equiteam on the firehouse. Matt will get with Becky Goddard and Pat Ryan, Town Attorneys, to have them send a letter.

AVIATION

Jim Butler was not present

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Mike Davis was not present

ATTORNEY

Becky Goddard was not present

CLERK

Judy King, presented Ordinance/Resolution #2022-10-26 for passing the 2023 budget. A motion was made by Debby Shufflebarger to approve Resolution #2022-10-26 and this was seconded by James Sammons.

Judy King received funds from the Jasper Newton Foundation for Sustainable Funds for the new firehouse. A motion was made by Mike Rowe and seconded by Debby Shufflebarger to set up a fund for this.

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR

Debby Shufflebarger presented to the other board members that she would like to see a sewage rate study started. Sewage is spending more than they are bringing in. A motion was made by James Sammons and seconded by Debby Shufflebarger to have Baker Tilly start a sewage rate study.

Debby received an email from Whitaker Engineering stating that the Thrive project is projecting going over the cost by \$150,000.00. Debby was asked if the Town could help in anyway. Trimak has been told it will cost \$42,000.00 to run 50' of water line, \$129,000.00 for storm and \$69,000.00 for underground water holding tank. Mike Davis spoke with Tim Meyers, Newton County Economic Development to see what they might be able to help with. A motion was made by James Sammons and seconded by Mike Rowe to reinvest the proceeds from the sale of the ground which is \$20,000 to assist with site preparation costs.

Debby also received an email from Jim Butler who had costs on some upgrades at the airport. Hangar 4 is needing a concrete floor and the cost is \$23,840.00. This is needed because the existing floor is lower than the surrounding grade, causing water to run into the hangar. Jim also obtained a quote for roofing at \$36,716.02. He is trying to receive a few more quotes. The Board will table this for further discussion.

Santa Chefs is requesting a donation for this holiday year. A motion was made by Debby Shufflebarger and seconded by Mike Rowe to purchase 25 turkeys for the event.

Debby presented the fence ordinance and would like everyone to review it for the November 2022 meeting. Also mentioned, were raising permit fees. We are very low on our permit fees that have not been raised since the early 1980's.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

Salary requests have been received by department heads and this will be reviewed and voted on at the November 2022 meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Being no further business, upon motion by James Sammons and seconded by Debby Shufflebarger, the meeting was adjourned.

Debby Shufflebarger, President

James Sammons, Member

David Michael Rowe, Member

Attest: _____
Judy M. King, Clerk/Treasurer