

October 10, 2017
Council Workshop
12191 Magnolia Springs Hwy.
Magnolia Springs, Al.
5:00 P.M.

1. Call to Order

Mayor Holk called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Members present – Mayor Bob Holk - Council Members: Steve Mobley, Marley Gardner, Nick Shields and Ben Dykema. Not present: Dotty Johnson. Also present: Town Clerk - Karen S. Biel and Legal Counsel - Brad Hicks

3. Invocation and Pledge – Mayor Holk

4. Discussion of Minutes – September 2017

Workshop Meeting – 09/12/2017

Special Council Meeting - 09/14/2017

Regular Meeting – 09/26/2017

5. Discussion of Financials and Expenditures – August 2017

Mayor Holk reported: Balances as of 09/30/2017 - General Fund - \$88,239.13. Income - \$86,864.40, Expenses - \$19,548.03. Tiered Money Market – \$403,136.46. CD - \$54,504.64. Special Revenue 4, 5, & 7¢ Gas Tax – Income \$363.34 – Balance \$16,008.41.

6. Deputy Smith - Monthly Report

Deputy Smith was unavailable - Mayor Holk reported - 76 traffic stops – 37 citations – 25 written warnings – 14 verbal warnings.

7. Public Comment

Diane Merrill addressed the council on a RV Park on Beasley Road that has been proposed to Baldwin County Planning. Ms. Merrill was under the assumption that there was a subdivision application submitted to the Magnolia Springs Planning Commission during the June meeting. Mayor Holk informed Ms. Merrill that the engineer, Chris Lieb, attended the meeting to only discuss with the Commission the requirements to subdivide the property according to our subdivision regulations. Mayor Holk also told her that the town had received notice back that they were not going to subdivide the property so therefore our Subdivision Regulations would not apply. Mayor Holk stated that he would talk with the county to see where they are with the application. Ms. Merrill asked if the subdivision regulations could be amended to include mobile home parks or RV parks. Brad Hicks stated that subdivision regulations do not come into play until someone asks to subdivide property.

8. Discussion - Resolution - Severe Weather Preparedness Tax Holiday

Mayor Holk stated that the tax holiday will be in February (2018) and that the town has approved the tax holiday resolution in the past. It will tax exempt certain supplies for severe weather such as hurricanes.

9. Discussion - Special Events License

Lolly Holk did some research with a couple of other municipalities about their Special Events License. She stated that there is some confusion as to what constitutes a Special Event. She has come before the council to ask them to entertain exempting the non-profit organizations within the town limits from the Special Events License. She added that all these organizations are here supporting the town. Mayor Holk stated that the Business License Ordinance is state regulated and must be adopted. He added that it is vague and it is how you interpret it. Brad Hicks stated that it is up to the council on how they want to interpret the ordinance but whatever you do is the path that others may take.

10. Discussion - Meeting dates for November and December

The clerk stated that usually the council would change the meeting dates in these two months. Mayor Holk stated that the November meetings do not interfere with Thanksgiving and probably don't need to be changed. The December regular meeting will fall on December 26th. In the past the Council would change the workshop to the first Tuesday and the regular meeting would be on the second Tuesday of the month. Mayor Holk asked the council to look at their schedules and they will decide at the next meeting.

11. Committee/Commission Reports

Finance Committee: No meeting

Public Works/Safety: Mayor Holk stated that there are a number of trash piles around town from the hurricane. He asked the clerk to contact Baldwin County Solid Waste to do a one time pickup throughout the town and they have agreed to do it on October 21st.

Public Lands/Beautification: Councilmember Dykema reported:

1. They are addressing some invasive species at Bay Street.
2. Magnolia Landing - someone has sprayed some graffiti which is being removed.
3. Still waiting on the Kiosk to be completed.

Planning Commission - Mayor Holk stated since Steve Mobley has been appointed to the Council and you can only have the mayor and one council member, Councilmember Dykema turned in his resignation. There are still two positions open on the Planning Commission.

Tree & Streetscape - No report

Public Relations & Communications: No report

12. Council, Legal Counsel and Staff Comments

Brad Hicks stated that he was reviewing the subdivision regulations and asked if anyone submitted to the town a subdivision application for approval and Mayor Holk answered "No." Brad stated that he would like to see what was submitted to the county before passing any thought on whether or not it falls within our subdivision regulations. The Mayor suggested asking the County to send us a copy of what was submitted to them and we can forward it to Brad for review.

Motion by Councilmember Mobley, 2nd by Councilmember Shields to adjourn the workshop. All in favor. Motion carried.

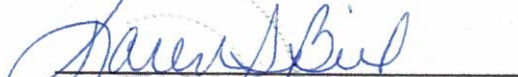
Meeting ended at 6:00 pm

Approved this the 28th day of November, 2017



Bob Holk – Mayor

ATTEST:



Karen S. Biel – Town Clerk