

On Monday, June 10, 2024 the council meeting for the Town of Gay was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Walker. At roll call all members, except council member Keith, were present and it was determined a quorum did exist.

The first item was approval of the Agenda. Council member Watts motioned to approve the agenda, seconded by council member Askvig. The vote in favor was unanimous.

After the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag and a brief mention of the rules of Decorum, the next item was approval of minutes for the prior meeting.

Council meeting – May 13, 2024:

Motion to approve, council member Askvig; second council member Watts and vote in favor unanimous.

The first item on the agenda was a resume from an attorney, Brian Strickland, giving his fee schedule, scope of work, and other pertinent information, in the event we would be interested in changing attorneys. Council briefly discussed the resume and it was noted his hourly fee is higher than our current attorney. It was decided that no action would be taken at this point but the resume will be retained for future reference.

The next item was information Mayor Walker was given at a meeting with Meriwether County official regarding the upcoming renewal of T-SPLOST. The county would like for all mayors and council members to convene their council meeting at the county Commission Meeting in order to vote immediately on the T-SPLOST issue to get it on the November ballot. They seemed to believe this would be a faster system than waiting for each city to hold a council meeting and forward required documentation to the county.

The next item was discussion of security cameras at City Hall and the Community Building. Information had been distributed at the May meeting but council needed time to review that information.

After discussion, council member Askvig motioned to purchase and install two Reolink cameras, seconded by council member Pritchett. The vote in favor was unanimous. There was discussion of a so called "Panic Button" for City Hall. Information will be gathered and decided at a later date.

The next item was bids received for installation of a garage door opener and new locks for other doors. Two bids were timely received and after discussion and comparison, council member Pritchett motioned to accept the bid from D & G Garage Doors, Inc., seconded by council member Watts. The vote in favor was unanimous.

The next item on the agenda was sale of water for use by companies doing work such as road work, hydro-seeding, filling pools, and other bulk requirements.

This subject came up when it was discovered a company was drawing water from one of our hydrants without our knowledge or approval. We were told they believed they were connected to Luthersville's water system. Clerk explained how billing has always been done, but that we have nothing written to cover these bulk haulers.

After discussion, council member Watts motioned to approve continuing to sell bulk water at the commercial rate which is currently \$28.00 per thousand gallons. Bulk sales are not eligible for water at less than \$28.00 per thousand gallons.

Mayor Walker stated we had been questioned about not having a light on top of our water storage tank. Our tank is not really high enough to be required to have a light, however, we do have a search and rescue helicopter volunteer in our area and for the sake of safety he said we will look into adding one to our tank.

Council member Pritchett brought up the subject of the bid for repair to Rat Road because someone approached her about the material to be used. Mayor Walker said he should submit his bid using whatever material he felt was appropriate.

Next was financial documents. There were no questions or comments and council member Watts motioned to approve the documents as presented, seconded by council member Askvig. The vote in favor was unanimous.

As there was no more business to discuss, council member Watts motioned to adjourn the meeting, seconded by council member Askvig. The vote in favor was unanimous.

Christopher J. Walker – Mayor

Sharon Richmond - Clerk

