

Town of Clarks Hill
Town Council Meeting
May 6, 2024
Community Building
6:30 pm

Present: Carla J. Stearns, President, Kevin J. Martin, Clark Whitley ABS

Other Officers: Diana L Luper CT, Scott Fisher CHPD, Bruce Luper CBM, Andy Doke Sewer Dept.

Others: Lynn Beck Laramie Trustee, Bob Davis, Kathy Vernon Congressional Baird Office, Perry Henderson, Mr. Johnson Alliance, Shaw Kleinpeter, Kleinpeter Consulting, Maureen Hayden Commonwealth, Bev Holladay, Carolyn Houchens, Rob Bellucci, Denver Shipley, Brad Warf, Holly Warf, Becky Wooten, Jeff Wooten.

Carla called the meeting to order.

Carla moved to suspend the reading of the past minutes. Kevin 2nd it.

Carla moved to approve the minutes as written. Kevin 2nd it.

Carla turned the meeting over to Commonwealth.

Rob: Water repairs to the water plant have been completed.

The old plant is up and running. Idem will be here on Thursday & commonwealth. Then Rob will send updates at that time.

Carolyn wants to know if there is something to be done with the Water Plant Fan. It is very loud. Rob will take look in to that on Thursday.

The Town has discussed on flushing the hydrants this next week.

Rob: Sewer Plant Wastewater SRF loan fund- The town is looking into funding when their funding will be ranked by them.

Rob: Projects would like them to top of this list. You would be more likely to get the funding you need. The state is willing to help thru a grant. Commonwealth is in contact with the State. Scope: will send it to the State. After the draft is done.

They would like to get it in before the end of May. If we go to Stockwell, it will give us 25 points. We are looking into the Sewer District & Town partnering up.

Kleinpeter is looking into this study for us.

Carla: it wouldn't be out of reach to go to Stockwell. It would be a Great benefit for our small town.

The study will open to more questions. All we can tell you to the cost effective. There will be more public meetings.

Shawn: Bill Harkins- SRF wastewater should be around \$65-\$85. We are way under the estimated amount for wastewater and water fees.

Brad Warf, would like to know if a pipe breaks who fixes it?

Rob, it would have to be determined before a contract would be signed. It is something that would be decided during the study. That is the main reason to have the study done.

Bruce, would like to know if that study has anything to do with the storm drains in town?

That is something that would need to be investigated it.

The crowd would like to know why the Sewer Plant can't be fixed. The problem is that several parts needed at the Sewer Plant are not made anymore. They can't be gotten to fix the Sewer Plant.

Sewer Plant has been worked on and the approved bid was for over \$10,000. This is to try and keep the plant going until they decide what they are going to do.

Maureen. The Idem has done an agreed order. It was reduced from \$12,000 to @ \$4,800.

When the clerk gets the paperwork. We would need Carla to sign it. It will have to be sent in before the next meeting. You only have so many days to get this done.

Denver would like to know what the Board has agreed to sign.

Carla would only sign this paperwork if it agreed as what is voted on. She would then sign this paperwork for the Compliance Plant.

Carolyn would like to know when a decision for the New Board Member be made.

Carla told her that we can't fill that position until Clark resigns. We are thinking sometime in June. Then the Republican party chairman will work with the other two board members will interview for that position.

Kelly Farrell is going to have another Car show on May 25th.

Other Board paperwork. The Council has approved Ordinances 204-04-01-02 to Allow the Clerk to pay the bills when they come in. To avoid any late fees.

The board also approve Resolution to agree to do the corrections that the SBOA after the SBOA turn the paperwork in after the Audit is finished.

The board also approve Ordinance 2024-06-03 The first reading of the Sewer increase.

It would be a flat rate of \$10.00 per household.

Questions from the Crowd. They want to know if that rate increase would affect extra water being used. They were told that it would be a flat rate of \$10 per household only.

Carla asked if there was anything else. Hearing none.

Carla moved to close the meeting. Kevin 2nd it.

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