

**TOWN OF COWPENS
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
February 16, 2021**

The Town of Cowpens held its regular council meeting on Tuesday, February 16, 2021, at 6:00 p.m. at the Timken Community Center. Present were Mayor Michael D. Hamrick, Council Members Roy Logan, Jarred S. Spencer, and Thomas Voelker. Mayor-Tem Brenda J. Adair was absent.

Mayor Hamrick called the meeting to order, and Jarred S. Spencer held prayer and included a moment of silence for the families of area residents who had lost loved ones and those who have sickness in their families.

Approval of Agenda

Jarred S. Spencer made a motion to approve the agenda for February 16, 2021, second by Roy Logan and carried.

Approval of Minutes & Financial Statements

Council reviewed the minutes of January 19, 2021, purchase journals, accounts register, and monthly bank statements. Jarred S. Spencer made a motion to approve the minutes, second by Roy Logan and carried.

Roy Logan made a motion to approve the purchase journals, accounts register, and monthly bank statements as presented, second by Jarred S. Spencer and carried.

Department Reports

Steve Bolin reported the number of calls for the police department. The police department issued ten citations during the month of January and 18 warnings. Fines collected totaled \$4,086.75 The town's portion was \$1,042.88.

The fire department answered 19 calls for the month of January 2021. Four calls were in the town, nine calls in the fire district, four calls were mutual aid in Spartanburg County, and two in Cherokee County.

Mileage for each department included: Police – 4,449 Street Department –1,060 and Fire Department – 7,471.

Mr. Bolin reported the street department is in the process of painting the court room at town hall. The F550 has completely quit running and the new truck has been ordered.

COWPENS MIGHTY MOO COMMITTEE

Pam Camp presented the desire of the Cowpens Mighty Moo Committee to continue with the 2021 Mighty Moo Festival. Currently other festivals are continuing to cancel. After discussion with town council, the committee will continue to plan for a two-day festival and will keep town council update. Any plans should be decided to continue or cancel no later than May 15, 2021.

OLD BUSINESS

Façade Project

Mayor Hamrick met with Cowpens Merchants and encouraged them to apply for a new Façade Grant to be provided by the Town of Cowpens. The criteria will be streamlined to meet the needs of the town and the merchants. Mayor Hamrick will contact property owners that were not able to attend the meeting.

Police and procedures for the Façade Grant were presented to town council. Thomas Voelker made a motion to approve the policy and procedures, second by Roy Logan and carried.

Purchase of New Police Vehicle

Chief Swofford compiled proposals for a new police vehicle and presented them to town council. Jarred S. Spencer made a motion to purchase a 2021 Ford SUV at a cost of \$32,603.00 plus tax, using the police department franchise fees, second by Roy Logan and carried.

Cowpens Cemetery

Steve Bolin presented layouts of the old cemetery and portions of the Daniel Morgan Memorial Garden, owned by Greenlawn Memorial Gardens, which Greenlawn Memorial Garden want the town to maintain. Council continued any action until Mr. Bolin could obtain cost to maintain the landscaping on this property.

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NEW BUSINESS

CDBG – Streetscape (Matching Funds)

Council agreed to allocate \$500.00 from the Hospitality Tax Account to open an account for the Streetscape Phase III Project.

Jarred S. Spencer made a motion to adjourn, second Thomas Voelker and carried.

Mayor Michael D. Hamrick

Mayor Pro-Tem Brenda J. Adair

Council Member Roy Logan

Attest:

Council Member Jarred S. Spencer

Teresa Carter, Town Clerk

Council Member Thomas Voelker