

**TOWN OF COWPENS
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
5330 N. Main St.
Monday, March 18, 2024, 6:00 p.m.**

The Town of Cowpens held its regular meeting on Monday, March 18, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. Present were Mayor Jarred S. Spencer, Mayor Pro-Tem Erin P. Wofford, Council Members Lesa C. Bolin, Pam Camp, and Danyelle D. Goode. Mayor Jarred S. Spencer called the meeting to order, and Pam Camp held prayer.

The agenda for the March 18, 2024, meeting was presented to the town council. Erin P. Wofford made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Pam Camp, and carried.

Minutes of the February 20, 2024, meeting was presented to the Town Council. Erin P. Wofford made a motion to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Lesa C. Bolin, and carried.

The purchase journal for February 2024 was presented to the Town Council. Danyelle D. Goode made a motion to accept the purchase journal as presented, seconded by Pam Camp, and carried.

Bank Statements for February 2024 were presented to the Town Council. Lesa C. Bolin made a motion to approve the Bank Statements as presented, seconded by Erin P. Wofford, and carried.

Department Reports

Steve Bolin presented the department reports as follows:

The police department issued 14 warnings during February 2024 and 56 citations. Total fines collected were \$10,077.50 and \$4,331.80 was the town's portion.

Mileage for each department – Police Department 7,768 miles, Fire Department 2,085 miles, and Street Department 582 miles.

The fire department responded to 37 calls during the month of February 2024. Eight were in the Town of Cowpens, 12 were in the fire district, 11 were in the Spartanburg Mutual Aid District, and 6 were in the Cherokee County Mutual Aid District.

CC&I Services – A certificate of occupancy was issued for 161 Dean Street and that project has been completed. The Brown Street duplexes are near completion, as well as the home at 265 Carver Street. A roofing project has also been completed at 134 Lynch Street.

New Business

A. Hospitality Tax Grant Application

A Hospitality Grant Application requesting funds for the Mighty Moo Fireworks was presented in the amount of \$4,500.00. Funds will be used to provide the annual fireworks display for the 2024 Mighty Moo Festival. Erin P. Wofford made a motion to approve the application and funding, seconded by Danyelle D. Goode.

B. Plant Watering

Steve Bolin has been searching for new methods of watering the plants and hanging baskets for spring. Mr. Bolin and the town council discussed options for watering methods. No decision was made. Hanging baskets will arrive in mid-April.

Old Business

A. Depot

Mayor Jarred S. Spencer and the town council discussed the repairs that need to be made at the Cowpens Depot/Museum, using the \$75,000 award. The priorities are listed:

1. Roof
2. Decking/bracing
3. Landscaping/Sidewalk repairs
4. Underpinning
5. Storage building

Kristopher Chadwick will get quotes on the roof and decking issues. He has already begun the process of receiving quotes.

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B. Farmers' Market

Ray Rogers met with Steve Bolin and Mr. Rogers provided suggestions for upgrades to the Farmers' Market that would fit the budget. The work would include foam insulation, heating and cooling system, the roof, and ruffing in a food preparation area. The water issue is the first priority and will not be included in the estimate. Pam Camp made a motion to approve \$7,500 - \$10,000 for engineering fees, seconded by Lesa C. Bolin and carried.

C. Pedestrian Crossing Signs

Steve Bolin provided quotes for the pedestrian crossing signs. These signs are solar powered and push button activated. The installation will be at the center of N. Main Street between Church Street and Foster Street. Pam Camp made a motion to move forward with the purchase of the pedestrian crossing signs spending no more than \$11,000.00, seconded by Erin P. Wofford, and carried.

Pam Camp made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Lesa C Bolin, and carried.

Mayor Jarred S. Spencer

Council Member Lesa Bolin

Attest:

Council Member Pam Camp

Council Member Danyelle D. Goode

Teresa Carter, Town Clerk

Council Member Erin P. Wofford

Guest Present: Patrick Kay, Administrator Town of Pacolet, and Kristopher Chadwick