

**TOWN OF COWPENS
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
Timken Community Center
June 22, 2020**

The Town of Cowpens held its regular council meeting on Monday, June 22, 2020, at 6:00 p.m. Present were Mayor Michael D. Hamrick, Mayor-Tem Brenda J. Adair, Council Members Roy Logan, Jarred S. Spencer, and Thomas Voelker.

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.

Public Hearing for Proposed Budget 2020-2021

Approval of Agenda

Jarred S. Spencer made a motion to approve the agenda for June 22, 2020, second by Roy Logan and carried.

Approval of Minutes & Financial Statements

Council reviewed the minutes of May 18, 2020, purchase journals, accounts registers, and monthly bank statements.

Roy Logan made a motion to approve the minutes, second by Jarred S. Spencer and carried.

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

Department Reports

Steve Bolin reported the number of calls for the police department. The police department issued 30 citations during the month of May and 31 warnings. Fines collected totaled \$2,358.50. The town's portion was \$539.42.

The fire department answered 24 calls for the month of May 2020. Twenty calls were in the town, one call in the fire district, one call were mutual aid in Spartanburg County, and two in Cherokee County.

Mileage for each department included: Police – 5,668 Street Department –1,385 and Fire Department – 1,456.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Proclamation

A proclamation was presented to the town council to proclaiming June 2020 as “The Cowpens Unity in the Community” month.

Victor Durrah spoke on behalf of Brothers Restoring Urban Hope, Inc. (BRUH), Piney Grove Baptist Church, and Suck Creek Baptist Church. A unity rally will be held on Saturday, June 27, 2020, at 10:00 a.m. at the Cowpens Veterans Park Amphitheater. This rally is great example of how communities can come together and affect change through candid thought, leadership, and dialogue.

Second Reading – Town of Cowpens Proposed Budget 2020-2021

Brenda J. Adair made a motion to approve the Town of Cowpens Proposed Budget for 2020-2021 in the amount of \$ \$1,152,719, second by Roy Logan and carried.

Second Reading – Cowpens Fire Department Budget 2020-2021

Jarred S. Spencer made a motion to approve the Cowpens Fire Department Budget for 2020-2021 with the town's portion of \$108,900, second by Roy Logan and carried.

Veterans Park Stage Rental Agreement - Lift Every Voice

Jarred S. Spencer made a motion to approve the use of Veterans Park Stage for the event “Lift Every Voice”, second by Roy Logan and carried. This event will host approximately 60 people.

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Veterans Park Stage Rental Agreement – Cowpens Mighty Moo Festival

Brenda J. Adair made a motion to deny the application for the Cowpens Mighty Moo Festival due to the COVID-19 Pandemic and safety concerns, second by Thomas Voelker and carried. During discussion council members expressed their concerns regarding social distancing and the safety of the citizens and visitors.

Veterans Park Stage Rental Agreement – For Christ By Christ Ministries

Jarred S. Spencer made a motion to approve the use of the Veterans Park Stage for the event held by “For Christ By Christ Ministries, second by Brenda J. Adair and carried. This event will host approximately 60 people.

Jarred S. Spencer made a motion to adjourn, second by Roy Logan 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