

April 11, 2024

Regular Meeting

PRESENT: Supervisor Nathaniel Baker; Town Councilmembers: Matthew Rathbun, Kenneth Quick, Thomas Cosey and James Bradt; Town Accountant Joel Carpenter; Deputy Town Clerk Julie Goff; Highway Superintendent Scott Taylor; Town Historian Eric Pekar; Local Ordinance Officer Bill Humphries; Town Attorney Mike Catalfimo; Town Justice Roger Forando

ABSENT: Councilman Ken Quick; Town Clerk Jenny Martelle; Dog Control Officer Nancy Quell; Sole Assessor Victoria Hayner

Supervisor Baker called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Supervisor Baker.

Councilman Cosey moved and Councilman Bradt second to approve the March 14, 2024 minutes. Carried 4-0.

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT: Supervisor Baker reminded the Board that a special meeting will be held on April 25 to open the electrician bids for North Granville Water District.

BUDGET OFFICER REPORT: Town Accountant Joel Carpenter prepared and submitted the financial reports for March 2024. A copy is on file in the office of the Town Clerk.

SOLE ASSESSOR REPORT: N/A

LOCAL ORDINANCE OFFICER REPORT: Local Ordinance Officer Bill Humphries prepared and submitted a report for March 2024. A copy is on file in the office of the Town Clerk. Officer Humphries informed the Board that the Mud Boggers had their event and no big problems occurred but there were complaints that the event lasted longer than the hours advertised.

ANIMAL CONTROL/DOG CONTROL OFFICER REPORT: Animal Control Officer Nancy Quell prepared and submitted a report for March 2024. A copy is on file in the office of the Town Clerk.

TOWN HISTORIAN: Town Historian Eric Pekar prepared and submitted a report for March. A copy is on file in the office of the Town Clerk.

HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT REPORT: **HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT REPORT:** Highway Superintendent Taylor reported that the DPW has been out two times in March for storms. They have been working on the Guilder Hollow Road cutting brush, ditching and getting it ready to blacktop. A thumb was built for the excavator and works well. The tractor was put together inhouse. Safety Day training for DPW is up to date.

NORTH GRANVILLE WATER DISTRICT REPORT: Highway Superintendent Scott Taylor reported that Spectrum will be installing the internet at the pump house. A robo call will go out next week to inform customers of the nursing home test. A robo cal will also go out for flushing the hydrants. The water usage was 864,000 or 27,870 per day for the month of March.

NEW BUSINESS: Town Justice Forando requested the appointment of a new court clerk and discussed a matter of the hourly pay for the clerk. The Board advised Justice Forando that the matter would be decided at a later date.

OLD BUSINESS: The mowing bids were opens and are as follows:

- Dan Bakers Property Service \$670 per mowing/\$9380 for season
- Williams Lawn Care \$700 per mowing

Councilman Bradt moved and Councilman Rathbun second to award the bid to Dan Bakers Property Service upon receipt of proof of insurance. Carried 4-0.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: Karin Rozell, Granville RERC Branding Committee Champion, approached the Board again requesting \$3,000 for their webpage design. Councilman Rathbun inquired about the need for such a website. He was advised that the website would be for tourists – one place to find restaurants, sports and businesses. Dan Williams asked if one or two Board members would meet with the group to discuss the matter and report the information back to the Board. Councilman Cosey stated that it would be a good idea for the Town of Granville to get with the times. Councilman Bradt stated he struggled with legalities.

Scott McCullen informed the Town Board of the situation regarding the fire at the Mud Boggers Event. A vehicle caught fire requiring the Fire Department to respond. He informed the Board that there is no evacuation or safety plans in place. He stated that the races continued while the Fire Department was doing its job. He said that he does not want to send men or equipment into an unsafe place. Local Ordinance Office Humphries will meet with Nate, Scott, Matt and Ralph before the April 20th weekend event.

AUDIT OF BILLS: Abstract 4 April 2024

Fund	Voucher	Amount	Moved By	Second By
DA Highway Townwide Carried:4-0	40-58	\$24,322.22	Rathbun	Bradt
SW North Granville Water Carried: 4-0	21-26	\$ 2,482.60	Bradt	Cosey
A General Townwide Carried: 4-0	73-94	\$ 3,972.51	Quick	Bradt
B General Townoutside	6	\$ 208.50	Cosey	Quick
SL1 Mid Gran Lights	7-8	\$ 505.78		
SL2 North Gran Lights Carried: 5-0	3-4	\$ 280.99		

CLOSED SESSION: Councilman Rathbun moved and Councilman Cosey second to go into a closed session. Carried 4-0 Councilman Rathbun moved and Supervisor Baker second to return to the regular meeting. Carried 4-0

ADJOURNMENT: Councilman Rathbun moved and Councilman Bradt second to adjourn until the Special Meeting April 25, 2024 at 1:30 pm. Carried: 4-0

Attested To:
Julie Goff
Granville Deputy Town Clerk