Town of Bethlehem

Council meeting

April 5, 2021 @ 7 p.m.

Present: Mayor Sandy McNab; Councilmen, Joe Price, Tommy Buchanan, Scott Morgan, Bryan Bell, and Doug Koestel; Clerk, Kathy Bridges; Attorney Ron Bennett

Visitor: Stanton Porter, attorney, representing the developer of the Corinth Church property

The meeting opened at 7:00 p.m. with a prayer by Councilman, Joe Price.

Tommy Buchanan made the motion to approve the March minutes and with a second by Joe Price, the vote was unanimous.

The public hearing for the Corinth Church rezone began with Porter pointing out that Barrow County had approved the rezone with three conditions: that sod and landscaping would be installed and maintained in the disturbed areas of all front yards and 15' of the side yards on the properties; the exterior of any and all residential units constructed shall consist of brick, stone, stucco or masonry siding or any combination; and all residential units shall have a minimum of 2,000 square feet of heated grow floor area. He also pointed out the development would have a Homeowners Association with the open space deeded to the HOA which would also maintain the open space.

After discussion it was decided the council would request: sidewalks in the development; setting the density at 39; all units would conform to the site plan and an example of the elevations would be provided; a 2-year bond on streets and stormwater maintenance with a street dedication set upon completion.

Doug Koestel made the motion to postpone the rezone decision contingent upon the above requests and with a second by Scott Morgan, the vote was unanimous. A called meeting was set for April 19 at 7 p.m.

The council moved on to the 85 Manning Gin Road rezone public hearing. No one was present for the hearing and Scott Morgan made the motion to rezone the .57 acre tract back to AG and with a second by Joe Price the vote was unanimous.

The Mayor informed that Baldwin would be doing the town's paving this month contingent upon the weather. The town was their next job.

At 8:10 Scott Morgan made the motion to go into executive session for litigation discussion and with a second by Tommy Buchanan, the vote was unanimous.

At 8:25 the council came out of executive session and ended the meeting with a motion by Tommy Buchanan.