

*Town of Bethlehem*

*Council meeting*

*July 12, 2021 @ 7 p.m.*

Present: Mayor Sandy McNab; Councilmen, Tommy Buchanan, Bryan Bell, Joe Price, and Doug Koestel; Clerk, Kathy Bridges; Attorney Brian Dempsey

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

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

The council discussed surveying Shepherd Street to determine the right of way. Doug Koestel made the motion to hire a surveyor and with a second by Joe Price the vote was unanimous.

The 2018 SPLOST extension was discussed. Bethlehem's projects would include road, street, bridge, curb, and sidewalk projects as well as stormwater improvement projects. Doug Koestel made the motion to approve the project list and with a second by Joe Price the vote was unanimous.

Resolution 21-3 was to approve and authorize the mayor and town clerk to execute certain document required to apply for and accept local recovery assistance funds under the American Rescue Plan Act-a federal government act.

Joe Price made the motion to approve the resolution and with a second by Bryan Bell the vote was unanimous.

Joe Price explained that he spoke with a representative at Dollar General who claimed the city was not assisting with their sewer problem. Price had noticed port-a-potties on the property. Price informed that the town does not have public sewer and it is the store's responsibility to repair any septic tank issues.

Price also informed of a resident at 667 Thornbrook Ridge who had a dog that barked constantly, and the neighbors were complaining of the noise.

Attorney Dempsey said he would get with the town attorney, Ron Bennett to draft a warning letter to both Dollar General and the Thornbrook resident that Town Marshall Stacy Taylor would deliver. The town clerk was directed to also inform the environmental health department of the septic tank issue.

The meeting adjourned at 8 p.m.

