



*Council work session
Oct. 28, 2024*

Present: Mayor Chris Lelle; Councilmen, Tommy Buchanan, Eric Dailey, Sally Brown, and Sharon Johnson; Clerk, Kathy Bridges, Attorney, Bubba Samuels

Visitors: Beth Buchanan, Jerry Johnson

The meeting opened at 7 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Mayor asked if everyone had reviewed the Oct. 21 minutes. Sally Brown made a motion to approve, Eric Dailey seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

The council discussed the road improvement bids. Sharon Johnson made the motion to accept all the low bids on the culverts and streets that need repair and to allow the Mayor to get clarification on the pricing (take the low bids on each project). Sally Brown seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously. The low bids were:

- 1-Holly Lane culvert repair-\$21,672 from Ohmshiv Construction;
- 2-Carl Bethlehem crossing culvert repair -\$74,682.56 from Vertical Earth;
- 3-106 King Ave. crossing-culvert repair-\$105,419.14 from Vertical Earth;
- 4-McElhannon crossing-culvert repair-\$44,195.20 from Ohmshiv Construction;
- 5-McElhannon milling and inlay-\$144,593.76 from Ohmshiv Construction;
- 6-22 Joseph Street crossing-culvert repair-\$63,923.67;
- 7-Shepherd Street sidewalk and widening-\$145,656.40- Vertical Earth;
- 8-3-way stop at Shepherd and Star-\$17,864-Ohmshiv Construction;
- 9-Star Street @ Harrison Mill-4-way stop/Angel Street speed tables-\$46,200-Ohmshiv Construction

The council next discussed the Christmas decorating for the town. Eric Dailey made the motion to use Magnolia with a bid of \$8,729; Sally Brown seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

Sharon Johnson made a motion to add liability issues to the agenda; Sally Brown seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

The council approved the \$1,000 pledge to the Adult Literacy Barrow program with a motion by Eric Dailey, a second by Sharon Johnson and a unanimous vote.

The clerk said a Jestina Faraj was interested in renting the brick building on Manger for church services. The Mayor said he would speak with her.

The Mayor asked the council to meet at 6 p.m. on Monday, Nov. 4 before the regular meeting to look at the recently purchased properties.

The council asked the attorney to draft a liability release waiver for volunteers working for the town.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30.