

**TOWN OF TRYON
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
SEPTEMBER 25, 2018 6:00 P.M.
TRYON TOWN HALL – MCCOWN ROOM
WORK SESSION**

Present: Mayor J. Alan Peoples Mayor Pro Tem Bill Ingham

Commissioners: Crys Armbrust, Bill Crowell, Chrelle Booker

Staff Present: Town Manager Zach Ollis

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Pro Tem Ingham called the meeting to order.

The board discussed:

- Policy to keep employees, once trained, how do we keep them
- Sewer line in Lynn –
 1. Package plant at Harmon Field-putting in a septic system for the old middle school-fall doesn't work correctly-have to pipe to package plant then pump to septic system
 2. Forced Main option - \$1.3 million
 3. Combination of gravity and forced main option - \$1.5 million
 4. Clarence Rhodes option - \$1.2 million
- Hydrant at Grover
- Eastside meeting – questions are being asked about minimum housing
 1. Problems with property owners
 2. Are we getting near the end of the process on any houses
 3. Will have to discuss with Attorney Morgan and Tim to get the numbers and dates
 4. People in town that are willing to rehabilitate properties – nothing to do with the town – local group willing to do work
 5. Status of homes at each meeting
- Roundup of water bills – being discussed with staff, trying to find out details
- Maintenance shed property
 1. Need to be prepared if offered made – done the 1st phase – could negotiate the cost to include the 2nd phase
 2. Need a plan to relocate the maintenance shed to sewer plant
 3. Current appraisal needed
 4. Polk County tax value \$312,841 (minimum to build \$250,000) not appraised value
 5. Need to look at grading at the sewer plant
 6. Discussed for 10 years or more
 7. Need to know the cost to replace the building and what is actually needed
- Flowers in town – look at landscaping contract for maintaining beds – Down To Earth done a fabulous job

- Grant opportunities – Joel Lenk is looking into this for the creek on East Howard Street
- Trash downtown - our trucks go behind the businesses every day to pick up trash, working with businesses to get them to put trash behind the buildings instead of on Trade Street
- Palmer Street flowers
- Boardwalk behind businesses on Trade Street – it's on the project list to look at – cost estimated at \$10,000
- Parking – status of lot behind McGourty's – owned by Owen's – would like to continue leasing

Mayor Peoples closed the work session.

J. Alan Peoples, Mayor

Attest:

Susan B. Bell, Town Clerk