

MINUTES OF THE April 21, 2020

SPECIAL MEETING OF WESTON CITY COUNCIL

1. The April 21, 2020 meeting of the Weston City Council was called to order using Zoom Video Communications 5:30 p.m. by Mayor Kim Harrison
2. The Mayor then asked everyone to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Mayor Harrison then asked for roll call. Present in person at the meeting were Councilwoman Sherry Rogers, Councilman Randy Bohan, Councilman Gary Foster, and City Clerk Kristin Droppleman Donaldson
4. **NEW BUSINESS – Councilman Gary Foster made a motion to amend the agenda and add the copier lease; Councilwoman Sherry Rogers seconded the motion; motion carried.**
 1. **Lay the Levy** – Councilman Gary Foster made a motion to lay the levy; Councilwoman Sherry Rogers seconded the motion; motion carried.
 2. **Appoint Councilwoman Sherry Rogers to the Historic Landmarks Commission and the Planning Commission as the Council Rep-** Mayor Kim Harrison asked if Councilwoman Rogers agreed to being appointed to the committees; Councilwoman Rogers said yes she agreed. Councilman Gary Foster made a motion to appoint Councilwoman Rogers to the historic landmarks and planning commissions as the council rep; Councilman Randy Bohan seconded the motion; motion carried.
 3. **Appoint Kathy Sims, Deborah Gump, and Rachel Raines to the Board of Zoning Appeals (BZA)-** Councilwoman Sherry Rogers made a motion to appoint Kathy, Deborah and Rachel to the BZA; Councilman Gary Foster seconded the motion; motion carried.
 4. **Discussion of 4th Street Bridge** – Mayor Harrison stated that she spoke with Chad Boram today in regards to the Fourth street Bridge. We need to understand our obligation in regard to the replacement of the bridge which includes working with the contractor for any interruption with utilities and access/easement for detour. We would be responsible for gaining permission from owners of Weatherford for detour and payment for any such easement, details regarding any alternate detour in case permission cannot be gained from Weatherford owners, or if no access can be obtained, residents would be routed over Buck Hill.
The DOH needs a letter from us acknowledging our understanding of our responsibilities during this project. Once they receive this, they will bid out the project. They estimate that bids will come in quickly. It is estimated that the project will be 3-4 months from start to finish.
In the same conversation, he spoke with Mayor Harrison about a study they did on the W2nd Street Bridge near Ember Arts. Their chief concern with this bridge is the fact that there are working lights on the bridge and the wiring and conduit is in bad shape. He recommended strongly that the electric be turned off immediately. During this conversation, he said that he was reviewing a proposal from Lewis County First, Inc to install historic lighting on the W 2nd Street Bridge near Polk Creek School and the N. Main Avenue Bridge near Pickens Automotive and Bob Goldens. They like the plans and noted that we will have a certified electrician doing the work. He inquired whether Lewis County First, Inc would consider supplying an electrician to make the necessary repairs to the wiring and conduit on this bridge. Mayor Harrison informed him that the plans were to submit this project to the required entities and eventually match the lighting on this bridge with the other lights, if approved. The lights on the bridge would be utilized in the historic area of downtown as part of the proposal. Lewis County First, Inc has the necessary funding to complete the lighting on the N. Main Ave Bridge and ½ of the funding needed for the lighting on the W, 2nd Street Bridge near Polk Creek School. An AARP Community Challenge Grant has been submitted by Lewis County First to garner the remaining funds. This would determine how quickly Lewis County First or some other organization could address the W, 2nd street Bridge near Ember Arts. He further spoke about a contractual agreement between DOH and Lewis County First, Inc for the work on these bridges. Mayor Harrison then asked for a motion to acknowledge receipt of the letter from the DOH. Councilwoman Sherry Rogers made a motion acknowledging the receipt of the letter; Councilman Gary Foster seconded the motion; motion carried.
5. **Hart Office Copier Lease** - Mayor Harrison asked if the lease needed to be bid out . City Clerk Kristin Droppleman Donaldson said she would find out for sure and let council

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know. Councilman Gary Foster stated that he was curious about the lease needing to be bid out.

6. **Adjourn** – Councilman Gary Foster made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:00pm; Councilman Randy Bohan seconded the motion; motion carried.

Kim Harrison, Mayor
City of Weston

ATTEST:

Kristin D. Donaldson, Clerk
City of Weston