

**Town of Washington Park
Municipal Building
November 4, 2019
7:00 p.m.**

CresCom Bank	General Fund	\$ 136,384.71
CresCom Bank	Capital Reserve Fund/Truck Fund	105,000.00
CresCom Bank	Powell Bill Checking	28,371.12
CresCom Bank	Powell Bill/Saving CD	64,241.07
CresCom Bank	Capital Reserve Fund/CD	<u>75,005.01</u>
	Total	\$ 409,001.91

Present

Thomas B. Richter, Mayor
Jeff Peacock, Mayor pro tem
Lee Bowen, Commissioner
Belinda Cowell, Commissioner
Wade Dale, Commissioner
Patrick Nash, Commissioner

Absent

Mayor Richter called the meeting to order.

Mayor pro tem Peacock made a motion to approve the agenda. Seconded by Commissioner Dale. Passed by all.

Mayor Richter called for public input. The resident of 500 Isabella Avenue said that he wanted to discuss interpretation of the Town's Fence Ordinance. His fence permit had been granted based on a four-foot fence height. He questioned the four-foot height requirement forward of the building line, asking if the body of the fence was the requirement for the four-foot height, with additional height for fence posts. He distributed a copy of the Bloomington, MN, fence definitions and asked the Board to consider allowing the completion of his fence based on the height interpretation of the body of the fence with additional height for posts. Mayor Richter thanked the resident for his input.

The financial report and the minutes were approved upon motion by Commissioner Bowen. Seconded by Mayor pro tem Peacock. Passed by all.

Old Business

East End Isabella Avenue: Commissioner Bowen reported that the property owners on the private drive had agreed to the paving and were waiting for a written proposal from B.E. Singleton after a slowdown in their scheduling.

320 Isabella Avenue: Mayor Richter said that there was no update.

Bo Bowen Playground marker: Commissioner Dale reported that he was waiting for a quote for a structure upon which to mount the plaque.

Shorewood Drive: Mayor Richter reported on the meeting with Representative Kidwell and NCDOT. He said that in order for a road to be included in the Powell Bill map, it would need to be a 16-foot travel way. Shorewood Drive width measures between 11

and 14 feet. Discussion followed. Commissioner Bowen made a motion to have Mayor Richter draft a letter to Shorewood Drive residents regarding the options for paving, subject to review by the Town Attorney. Seconded by Commissioner Dale. Passed by all.

Golf carts: Mayor pro tem Peacock distributed a copy of a proposed Golf Cart Ordinance allowing golf carts to be driven within the park by licensed drivers. Discussion followed. Commissioner Bowen made a motion to adopt the Golf Cart Ordinance subject to review by the Town Attorney. Seconded by Commissioner Dale. Passed by all.

Fences: Mayor Richter led a discussion of fence height interpretation. Commissioner Dale made a motion to accept the interpretation of the four-foot body of fence as demonstrated in the illustration in the Bloomington, MN, ordinance. Discussion followed. Seconded by Commissioner Nash. Passed by all with Commissioner Bowen abstaining from voting.

New Business

Clerk Dale asked about the possibility of an addition to the existing shed for the new tractor and equipment. Discussion followed regarding construction style and roofing. Commissioner Bowen made a motion to procure an additional structure for equipment storage not to exceed \$2000.00. Seconded by Mayor pro tem Peacock. Passed by all.

Reports

Commissioner Dale – reported that 50 cubic yards of playground mulch had been delivered. It will be distributed by the men using the tractor. He also reported that the benches on Walnut Street near the tennis court had been relocated to the side of the tennis court. There is a reservation for the use of the waterfront for a wedding for October 24, 2020.

Commissioner Nash – no report.

Mayor pro tem Peacock – no report.

Commissioner Bowen – no report.

Commissioner Cowell – no report.

Clerk's Report

The clerk presented a Budget Amendment to the General Fund in the amount of \$21,670.25 to cover the cost of a John Deere 3025E tractor with Loader and extra thumb-bucket. Mayor pro tem Peacock made a motion to accept the Budget Amendment. Seconded by Commissioner Bowen. Passed by all.

The clerk reported that the City of Washington had been paid for the Fire and EMS contract for \$41,522.00; that the town had received \$9495.43 from FEMA/NCDPS for repairs to the Municipal Building; that the town had received the annual \$1620.00 from Beaufort County for recreation use; that the playground mulch was \$1425.48 plus tax; and that the plaque for the Bo Bowen playground was \$575.00 plus tax.

The clerk reviewed the 2020 Town Board meeting schedule indicating that regular first Monday meetings were scheduled except in July, the meeting will be July 13, 2020 for the holiday; in September, the meeting will be September 14, 2020 for the holiday; and in November, the meeting will be November 9, 2020 because of the national election.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned by Mayor Richter.

The next regular meeting will be Monday, December 2, 2019, at 7:00 pm at the Municipal Building.

Denise D. Dale
Clerk, Town of Washington Park