

**Town of Washington Park
Municipal Building
December 2, 2019
7:00 p.m.**

CresCom Bank	General Fund	\$ 146,356.17
CresCom Bank	Capital Reserve Fund/Truck Fund	105,000.00
CresCom Bank	Powell Bill Checking	28,380.14
CresCom Bank	Powell Bill/Saving CD	64,349.63
CresCom Bank	Capital Reserve Fund/CD	<u>75,123.00</u>
	Total	\$ 419,208.94

Present

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

Absent

Patrick Nash, Commissioner

Mayor Richter called the meeting to order.

Clerk Dale administered the oath of office to the newly elected Board of Commissioners.

Commissioner Bowen made a motion to approve the agenda. Seconded by Commissioner Dale. Passed by all.

Mayor Richter called for public input. There was no public present.

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

Jeff Peacock accepted the unanimous nomination for mayor pro tem and was declared by acclamation.

Old Business

East End Isabella Avenue: Commissioner Bowen reported B. E. Singleton would pave the private drive between Thanksgiving and Christmas dependent upon weather.

320 Isabella Avenue: Mayor Richter discussed the inability to contact the homeowner. Discussion followed. Mayor pro tem Peacock made a motion to have the Town Attorney draft a letter to the Washington Building Inspector asking for a determination of the condition of the property. Seconded by Commissioner Dale. Passed by all.

Bo Bowen Playground marker: Commissioner Dale reported Brian Wood had offered to donate his time and skills to build the stand for the memorial plaque with the Town providing the materials.

Shorewood Drive: Mayor Richter distributed a preliminary draft of a letter to Shorewood Drive residents. Discussion followed. The clerk will take the letter to the Town Attorney for final approval before sending.

Golf carts: The clerk will take the proposed golf cart ordinance to the Town attorney for review.

Shed for tractor: The clerk reported that a permit had been secured from the City of Washington for the shelter. Mayor pro tem Peacock reported that Brian Wood had agreed to do the work for \$1954.00.

New Business

Mayor Richter said that he had spoken with Terry Walker regarding Releaf Washington, an organization for planting trees. Discussion followed regarding funding and maintenance of plants.

Reports

Commissioner Dale – reported the playground mulch had been spread by the men with Mayor pro tem Peacock's assistance. He also reported that the southeast gate at the playground had been repaired and that the latches on all the gates had been replaced. He also reported that the Turkey Trot had taken place in Washington Park on Thanksgiving.

Mayor pro tem Peacock – no report. Mayor pro tem Peacock made a motion to give \$50 to full time employees and \$25 to part time employees for Christmas. Seconded by Commissioner Cowell. Passed by all with Commissioner Dale abstaining from the vote.

Commissioner Bowen – reported that he had spoken with the resident at 520 Isabella Avenue regarding a meeting with a contractor to do bulkheading in the ditch behind the residence. Commissioner Bowen also reported that people driving southbound in the 400 block of Fairview were going around the speed hump into the gravel area. Discussion followed regarding the placement of an extension of the speed hump in that area.

Commissioner Cowell – no report.

Clerk's Report

The clerk reported that \$12,128.44 had been received in ad valorem taxes from Beaufort County; that the Town had paid the Town attorney \$330.00 for professional services; that Dudley Landscaping had been paid \$450.00 for tree and ditch trimming; that there was an increase of \$125 in insurance for the new tractor; that three tennis keys were sold and one yard sale permit granted; that the sales tax refund for \$1690.65 had been received; and that the new tractor had been used to clean the waterfront of downed limbs etc. The clerk read the supervisor's report which said equipment and manpower were in good shape and that the next major project would be cleaning the Spruce Street ditch.

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

The next regular meeting will be Monday, January 6, 2019, at 7:00 pm at the Municipal Building.

Denise D. Dale
Clerk, Town of Washington Park