

**CITY OF DASHER
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
FEBRUARY 6, 2017**

Councilmembers Present:

Mayor G. R. Holton

Councilman Bill Hatfield

Councilman Julian Copeland

Councilman Anita Armstrong-Scott

This meeting was called to order by Mayor Holton at 6:00 p.m. Councilman Hatfield gave the Invocation and the Pledge followed. Mayor Holton asked if there were any additions or corrections to the previous minutes. There were no additions or corrections. Councilman Hatfield made a motion to approve the minutes, Councilman Copeland seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. There were four citizens who attended this meeting.

Mr. Al Turner stated he has been in contact with Lowndes County regarding the road maintenance contract but we have not received it to this date.

Mayor Holton asked for discussion of the mowing contracts. Councilman Hatfield stated that we have four companies doing four separate work orders. He stated that there was one contractor not fulfilling his part as defined in the contract. Mayor stated that the right-of-way mowing would require different kind of machinery. Mayor asked Councilman Hatfield to handle the mowing contracts and for him to keep Mr. Turner in the process. All of the current contracts were 12 month contracts with roll over option. Mayor stated we needed to include in the mowing contracts the two Dasher signs on Hwy 41, Geren property that we purchased, and our property in TLS as well as our previously properties already being mowed. Our contracts have a 30 day notice of cancellation clause. Mayor stated we needed to get this in the paper for bidding by May 1st. Mayor then asked the council to look over the financial statements and that we needed to prepare the budget and have approved in May.

Councilman Copeland discussed the Ben Hill and Johnston Road projects. Ben Hill is a major project of \$104,177.50 and Johnston Road is estimated to be \$33,202.50. Mayor Holton made a motion for the Ben Hill project to be a SPLOST project estimated to be \$146,000 as well as the Johnston Road projected estimated at \$40,000 to be SPLOST projects. Councilman Armstrong-Scott seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. Mayor Holton and Councilman Copeland will discuss this with Ann Peterson for detailed amounts.

Councilman Armstrong-Scott had nothing to report.

Councilman Hatfield had nothing further to report.

Councilman Copeland discussed that we have purchased a man-lift for various projects in Dasher. We had set aside \$12,000 for this but paid \$9800 through an auction.

Citizen Concerns- A citizen asked what we were doing on Ben Hill and then he asked what we were doing about TLS. Mayor stated we are waiting on a contract from Lowndes County to help TLS with their roads (grading and maintaining). Another citizen reported a large tree had fallen across Carroll Ulmer Road. This citizen also complained that he had a stop order on his re-roofing since he did not have an approval form from us. He then complained of their roads being in terrible shape again due to the heavy rains and that the little pond at TLS was stopped up. It

was then asked if we were going to be putting in playground equipment. One citizen stated if the park was unsupervised he would be afraid of a small child drowning in the pond. He then complained of teenagers leaving their trash and skateboarding. Mayor Holton stated that LCSO is under contract with Dasher to handle disturbances. There was more discussion of the legalities of the LCSO and having citizens report to the parents of their children's activities. A speed limit sign was asked to be put in at TLS.

There being no further discussion, this meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Submitted by:

Approved By:

Tonia S. Studstill, City Clerk

G. R. Holton, Mayor