

**TOWN OF SILER CITY**

The Siler City Board of Commissioners met in Regular Session on **Monday, May 2, 2022**, at 6:30pm in Multipurpose at the Wrenn Memorial Library with Mayor Pro Tem Price presiding. Mayor Pro Tem Price gave the invocation with the recitation of the Pledge of allegiance following. Commissioner Siler recited the Town of Siler City Mission Statement and Commissioner Bray recited the Town of Siler City Vision Statement.

**ELECTED TOWN OFFICIALS PRESENT:** Norma Boone, Cindy Bray, Curtis Brown, Lewis Fadely, Bill Haiges, Thomas "Chip" Price, and Tony Siler

**TOWN STAFF PRESENT:** Interim Town Manager William Zell, Attorney William Morgan, Finance Director Tina Stroupe, Public Works Director Chris McCorquodale, HR Director Nancy Darden, and Police Chief Mike Wagner

**AGENDA ADJUSTMENTS/APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

*A motion to approve the agenda as presented was made by Commissioner Brown, seconded by Commissioner Fadely, and unanimously approved.*

**CONSENT**

*A motion to approve the consent agenda which includes the April 18, 2022, Minutes (Incorporation by reference as if fully set forth herein Schedule A) was made by Commissioner Haiges, seconded by Commissioner Siler, and unanimously approved.*

**PRESENTATION**

Police Week and Peace Officers Memorial Day

Mayor Pro Tem Price read aloud a proclamation recognizing Police Week and the Peace Officers Memorial Day. (Incorporation by reference as if fully set forth herein Schedule B)

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

none

**OLD BUSINESS**

none

**NEW BUSINESS**

Downtown Christmas Lights Decorations

Public Works and Utilities Director Chris McCorquodale shared a photo of the proposed holiday lights replacement. (Incorporation by reference as if fully set forth herein Schedule G)

McCorquodale stated that the Downtown Advisory Board had reviewed several options and is recommending the five-foot fancy fork snowflake that will replace all twenty-four current decorations.

The consensus of the Board of Commissioners was to move forward with the purchase of twenty-four five-foot fancy fork snowflakes which is currently budgeted.

**MANAGER'S REPORT**

Zell shared the following with the Board of Commissioners:

Zell reported that additional personnel is needed in the License Plate Agency. There have been two full time and two part time employees for several years and it is becoming increasingly difficult to get part time

staff to work in the hours that the town needs. Zell recommended combining the two part time staff into one full-time staff member.

***A motion to change the License Plate Agency staff from two full time and two part time to three full time staff positions was made by Commissioner Fadely, seconded by Commissioner Boone, and unanimously approved.***

Zell stated that the Town had submitted two grant this week, one for Water Treatment Plant sludge handling and improvements for 2.9 million and the other is for Sewer rehabilitation and to help with I&I issues for five million. Should find out in August if we have been awarded.

Zell reminded the Board of Commissioners that the Chicken Festival is on Saturday and a meet and greet for new Town Manager will be held on Monday, May 23 from 4pm to 6pm.

Zell stated that he was contacted by Chatham News and Record Editor Bill Horner for a comment this week about a candidate forum that was held. Some candidates were making some really outrageous statements about the town and maleficent with finances. The candidate stated that the town had spent fifty million dollars in March and only received \$50,000 in revenue. Zell stated that this accusation was outrageous. Zell stated that everything the Town does is for the most part public record and all anyone has to do is ask for the information and we will provide it. Zell has passed on the correct information to Bill Horner.

Zell shared the budget message that will be presented at the next meeting.

#### TOWN ATTORNEY INFORMATION

none

#### GOVERNING BODY COMMENTS

Mayor Pro Tem Price indicated that there would be a chicken picking contest during the festival on Saturday.

#### CLOSED SESSION

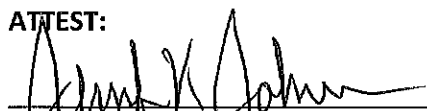
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#### ADJOURNMENT

With no further business the Board of Commissioners adjourned at 6:48pm.

  
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Thomas K. Price, Mayor Pro Tempore

ATTEST:

  
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Jenifer K. Johnson, Town Clerk

