

## REGULAR MEETING

THE TEACHEY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MET ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2021, AT 7:00P.M. IN THE TOWN HALL. PRESENT WERE MAYOR LEONARD FILLYAW AND THE FOLLOWING COMMISSIONERS: LOIS MCCARTNEY, ETHYLEN POWELL, JAMES MOORE, AND RONNIE PAGE. ALSO, PRESENT WERE JAMES PARKER JR., VERONICA PORRAS, CARMEN RIVERA, FIRE CHIEF RICHARD WILLIAMS, DEXTER FORT, CHIQUETE LESENE, JASMINE AMBROSE, AND GLENDORA BONEY.

MAYOR LEONARD FILLYAW CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 7:00 P.M., WELCOME EVERYONE AND ASKED FIRE CHIEF WILLIAMS TO GIVE THE INVOCATION. MAYOR FILLYAW THEN LED THE PLEDGE OF THE ALLEGIANCE. COMMISSIONER RONNIE PAGE MADE THE MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM AUGUST 9TH, AND COMMISSIONER WANDA HENDERSON SECONDED. ALL AGREED.

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*VISITORS COMMENTS:* CHIQUITTA LESENE FROM SHACKLE FREE COMMUNITY OUTREACH GAVE US A PRESENTATION OF THE PROGRAMS THEY OFFER IN THE COUNTY. ALSO, PRESENT WAS DEXTOR FORT, HE JUST WANTED TO MEET EVERYONE AND LET THEM KNOW HE IS RUNNING FOR DUPLIN COUNTY SHERIFF THIS COMING ELECTION.

*ZONING AND PUBLIC WORKS UPDATES:* JAMES PARKER JR STATED THAT HE HAD RECEIVE AN EMAIL FROM STROUD ENGINEERING IN REGARD TO THE NEW SUBDIVISION AND PUMP STATION ON 117 HWY. HE FORWARD THE EMAIL TO COURTNEY. JAMES PARKER JR ALSO ASKED THE MAYOR AND COMMISSIONERS IF THE WATER PUMP GENERATORS ARE THEY STILL BEING CONSIDERED FOR APPROVAL, COMMISSIONERS ASKED JAMES PRKER JR. TO GET AN UPDATED ESTIMATE AND THEY WOULD APPROVE IT DURING NEXT MEETING.

*FIREMAN'S COMMENTS:* FIRECHIEF RICHARD WILLIAMS HAD TWO THINGS HE NEEDED DISCUSS. FIRST WAS THAT THE TEACHEY FIRE DEPARTMENT HAS THE OPPORTUNITY TO BUY A FIRE TRUCK FROM WALLACE FIRE DEPARTMENT AND WANT TO KNOW IF COMMISSIONERS WOULD APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF THE

TRUCK THROUGH THE TOWN OF TEACHEY BUT ALL COST WOULD COME FROM THE TEACHEY FIRE DEPARTMENT. THEN THE TOWN OF TEACHEY WOULD TRANSFER THE TRUCK TO THE TEACHEY FIRE DEPARTMENT. COMMISSIONER LOIS MCCARTNEY MADE THE MOTION TO PROCESS THE FIRE TRUCK FROM WALLACE FIRE DEPARTMENT TO THE TOWN OF TEACHEY AND THEN TO TEACHEY FIRE DEPARTMENT. COMMISSIONER JAMES MOORE SECONDED. FIRE CHIEF WILLIAMS WOULD LIKE TO KNOW IF THE POSITION FOR OFFICE SUPPORT AT THE TEACHEY FIRE DEPARTMENT COULD BE HIRE THROUGH THE TOWN OF TEACHEY BUT SALARY WOULD COME OUT OF THE TEACHEY FIRE DEPARTMENT. COMMISSIONERS STATED THAT THEY WOULD NEED TO GET THE ADVICE FROM THE ATTORNEY BEFORE THEY COULD APPROVE THIS.

*OLD BUSINESS:* THERE WERE NO NEW BUSINESS COMMENTS.

*NEW BUSINESS:* MAYOR LEONARD FILLYAW HAD RECEIVED COMPLAINTS FROM SOME OF THE TEACHEY RESIDENCE ABOUT PEOPLE HANGING OUT AT THE PARK AFTER HOURS. MAYOR FILLYAW CONTACTED THE DUPLIN COUNTY SHERIFF DEPARTMENT THEY STATE THEY WILL ADD TO THE ROUTES.

*DISCUSSION AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:* CARMEN RIVERA UTILITY CLERK HAD SOME QUESTIONS ON THE UTILITY BILLS, LATE NOTICES AND DISCONNECTIONS. THE COMMISSIONERS STATED TO CONTINUE PROCESSING ALL UTILITY BILLS, LATE NOTICES, AND DISCONNECTIONS AS IT HAS ALWAYS BEEN WITH NO CHANGES. IF A CUSTOMER HAS ANY CONCERNS OR QUESTION, THEY NEED TO BRING IT TO THE BOARD AT THE TOWN MEETING. VERONICA PORRAS ASKED FOR APPROVAL TO GET AN UPDATED PHONE SYSTEM AND CAMERAS. THIS WOULD HELP PROVIDE BETTER ACCURACY WITH COMMUNICATION, ACCOUNTABILITY FOR DROPPING OFF PAYMENTS, AND SECURITY. VERONICA PORRAS CONFIRMED THAT THE FUNDS TO PURCHASE THESE ITEMS WOULD BE REFUNDED FROM THE CARES ACT. COMMISSIONER JAMES MOORE MADE THE MOTION TO APPROVE THE UPDATED PHONE SYSTEM AND CAMERAS. COMMISSIONER WANDA HENDERSON SECONDED. ALL AGREED.

*ADJOURNMENT:* COMMISSIONER JAMES MOORE MADE MOTION TO ADJOURN. COMMISSIONER WANDA HENDERSON SECONDED. ALL AGREED.

REPECTFULLY YOURS,



LEONARD D. FILLYAW  
MAYOR



VERONICA A. PORRAS  
TOWN ADMINISTRATOR/ CLERK