

The Town of Warsaw Board of Commissioners met in regular session on November 13, 2017 at 7:30pm in the conference room of the Town Hall.

**Board Members Present:**

Mayor Russell Eason  
Commissioner Scotty Smith  
Commissioner Al Searles  
Commissioner Dr. Owen Martin  
Commissioner Peggy Doran

**Also Present:**

Town Manager, Scotty Summerlin  
Town Clerk, Lea Turner  
Police Chief, Eric Southerland  
Public Works Director, Craig Armstrong  
Wellness Director, Christy Aldridge  
Fire Chief, John Blackmore  
Town Attorney, Jene Thompson

Mayor Russell Eason opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Approval of Minutes:**

Mayor Eason asked for a motion to approve the minutes for the October 9, 2017 regular session meeting.

Commissioner Al Searles made the motion to approve the minutes. Commissioner Peggy Doran seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous to approve the minutes.

**Public Comments:**

There were no public comments.

**Regular Meeting:**

**Warsaw Police Department Advanced Law Enforcement Certificate Presentation:**

Police Chief, Eric Southerland advised he wanted to recognize one of his officers who had worked with law enforcement for over 20 years and has worked diligently to achieve advanced training credits. Sergeant Perez was awarded her Advanced Law Enforcement Certification and a ribbon designating her award.

**Warsaw Police Department Commendations Presentation:**

Police Chief, Eric Southerland recognized two officers for their outstanding service in two reports and investigations. Officer Maury Carmon and Officer William Holland were presented with Letters of Commendation.

**Resolution to Declare Police Patrol Vehicle Surplus:**

Police Chief, Eric Southerland advised he has a 2007 Crown Victoria with a blown head gasket that would cost over \$2000 to repair. Vehicle is not needed now that there is a new K-9 vehicle. Chief Southerland advised that they would be able to get by with the vehicles they have for now but would be requesting a new K-9 vehicle in the 2018-2019 budget year.

Commissioner Al Searles made a motion to adopt the resolution. Commissioner Peggy Doran seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous to adopt the resolution to declare the patrol vehicle surplus and sell by online auction.

**Tax Release:**

Manager Scotty Summerlin advised that County has asked the Town to release taxes for Phoebe Carlton in the amount of \$6.05.

Commissioner Peggy Doran made a motion to approve the tax release. Commissioner Owen Martin seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous to approve the tax release.

**Mayor's Update:**

There was no update.

**Manager's Update:**

Manager Summerlin reported that Contract Number 39 continues. College Street sidewalks are being completed. The contractor was able to make up a little time on some of the streets but has lost that time in another area. The contractor has asked for a 60 day extension and is waiting for the State to approve the request. Contractors have located a leak on Wards Bridge Rd and will be doing repairs tomorrow and water will be off most of the day in this area.

Manager Summerlin advised that the resurfacing project is scheduled to begin next week with subsurface repairs to be done as needed.

Manager Summerlin gave an update on new businesses to the Town. Taco Bell is anticipating a December 9th open date. O'Reilly's has not given an update on progress.

Manager Summerlin advised that the Veteran's Day Parade went really well. Manager Summerlin thanked all who helped to make it a success.

Manager Summerlin advised that the Christmas Tree Lighting would be Friday, November 17th at 6pm. Manager Summerlin also advised the Police Department was having a BBQ Fundraiser for Regina Owens on Friday, November 17 from 11-until.

Finally, Manager Summerlin advised that he was still receiving complaints about garbage and yard debris and that he was still sending letters and making phone calls.

**Board Comments:**

Commissioner Al Searles acknowledged everyone for their hard work to make the Veteran's Day Parade a success. He also thanked Public Works for their hard work in preparation for and clean up afterwards.

**Closed Session:**

Mayor Russell Eason asked for a motion to go into closed session per NCGS 143-318.11(3)(4).

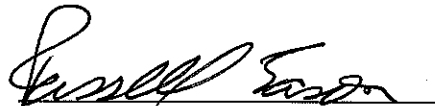
Commissioner Al Searles made a motion to go into closed session. Commissioner Peggy Doran seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous to go into closed session.

Commissioner Owen Martin made a motion to reopen regular session. Commissioner Peggy Doran seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous to reopen regular session.


Commissioner Al Searles made a motion to follow through with the recommendation from Manager Summerlin to work with the Town Attorney to draw up a utility contract with Steve Kennedy.

**Adjournment:**

Commissioner Owen Martin made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Peggy Doran seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous to adjourn the meeting.

  
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Mayor

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Town Clerk