**VILLAGE OF NORWOOD**

**MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN**

**REGULAR SESSION**

**January 12, 2023**

The Mayor and Board of Aldermen met in regular session at the Norwood Town Hall on Monday, January 12, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. with Mayor Becky Bellue presiding. Aldermen Tyler Glascock, David Jett and Kimmi Sellers were present.

All motions carried unanimously unless otherwise noted.

A motion was made by Ald. Sellers and seconded by Ald. Jett approving the minutes of the December meeting.

A motion was made by Ald. Jett and seconded by Ald. Sellers approving the financial statement for December, as well as payment of the new bills for January.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Police Report – Chief Kenny Stewart was unavailable at meeting time, but the monthly report was reviewed.
2. Fire Report – Chief Jimmy Garig gave the report. He notified the Board that the NVFD has received $81,000 from Pennington to go toward a truck to replace the one that burned up last year. They need to raise approximately $69,000 more for the purchase. A recent lightning strike got the a/c and generator.
3. Gas Report – Jimmy Garig reported that the Gas Dist #1 is possibly reducing the Board members from 9 members to 5.
4. Maintenance Report – Kohnke Rogillio reported that we were only minimally affected by the freeze. There is currently a leak on Shady Grove Lane that may require digging up some asphalt to fix. Entergy to do their switch-over for the new well over the next week. Mayor Bellue said that she’s been in touch with the EFP Police Jury and their pot hole repair machine has been fixed. Thompson Creek Road is on the list.
5. Clerk’s Report – Clerk Jennie Jelks said that she had recently attended a LMA/LLA meeting and there are some changes that we will need to make.
6. Mayor/Aldermen Discussion – None
7. Morgan Improvements Contract – A motion was made by Ald. Sellers and was seconded by Ald. Glascock to accept the contract as written and to allow Mayor Bellue to sign the contract, as well as any additional paperwork necessary. Ald. Jett voted against the motion.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. McDuffie Herrod – Mr. Herrod presented the YE 2022 audit. He reported that there were no findings, but there are a few things that can be improved.
2. Tower Inspection – At the LMA/LLA meeting Mayor Bellue and Clerk Jennie Jelks discovered that in order to use ARPA funds, any expense must be bid out. A motion was made by Ald. Sellers and seconded by Ald. Jett to get 2 more bids, in addition to the one that was already obtained to have the water tower inspected.

There being no further business to discuss, a motion to adjourn was made by Ald. Sellers and seconded by Ald. Jett.

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Rebecca G. Bellue Jennifer R. Jelks

Mayor Town Clerk