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COUNCIL WORK SESSION

JANUARY 26, 2022

The Council Work Session for the Town of Batesburg-Leesville was held in Building B of the Town Hall Complex. Mayor Shull called the meeting to order at 6:00 P. M. Members present were Mayor Shull, Council Members Brown, Gambrell, Lemon, Wise, and Hall. Council Member Prouse arrived at 6:07 P. M., Council Member Cain arrived at 6:22 P. M. and Council Member Mitchell was absent.

INVOCATION

The invocation was given by Council Member Gambrell.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council Member Gambrell led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Presentation of Final Infiltration and Inflow Study by Frazier Engineering

Manager Luckadoo introduced Troy Maciaszek of Frazier Engineering to present the final infiltration and inflow study. His presentation covered:

- Project History and Rehabilitation Approach
- Summary of Manhole Inspections and Recommended Manhole Rehabilitation
- Summary of Smoke Testing and Recommended Sewer Rehabilitation
- Recommended Rehabilitation Program

A manual on the study was given to Council for their further reference on the estimated costs of a Master Rehabilitation Plan in phases.

Questions were asked and answered during the presentation.

A 10-minute break was given after the I & I presentation.

NEW BUSINESS CONT'D.

B. Discussion Relating to Possible Future Expenditures with American Rescue Plan Funds

Manager Luckadoo stated the interim rule from the Treasury Department on using ARP funds was very restrictive on the type of things you could use the funds for but a final rule came out a week or so ago that really opened the door on the use of the ARP funds. The total allotment for the Town over two years is \$2,695,824.04. The first payment of \$1,347,912.52 was received in October 2021 and the second payment should come around October 2022. As an administrative staff, we recommend the following use for the ARP funds.

- Premium Pay for Essential Employees was paid in December to all full-time, part-time and volunteer employees. The 2021 amount was \$181,450.64. The 2022 amount would be up to \$200,000.
- New fire engine cost is \$650,000, fully equipped. Engine 261 (1999 engine) was out of service from late August 2021 until mid-January 2022 for the replacement of engine.
- IT position, security and equipment projected cost of \$112,000; \$50,000 for IT supplies and \$62,000 for salary and benefits in the 2022-23 budget year. Discussion was held to fund this for 2 years instead of just the 1 year. Currently the Town does not have a dedicated IT employee.
- Infiltration and Inflow Repairs has a projected cost of \$1,853,500 and is part of the Sewer Consent Order by SCDHEC. This proposed cost represents the Phase 1 proposal which addresses the largest problems.

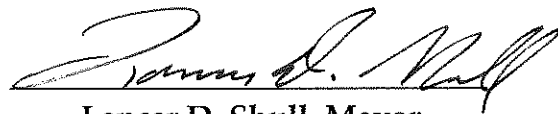
General discussion was held after the Manager's presentation.

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ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Council Member Prouse with a second by Council Member Gambrell to adjourn at 7:38 P. M. All members were in favor.

Approved this 14th day of February 2022.


Lancer D. Shull, Mayor

ATTEST:


Judy E. Edwards, Town Clerk