

MONDAY, APRIL 30, 2018
TOWN OF SAWMILLS SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
6:00 PM

COUNCIL PRESENT

Mayor Johnnie Greene
Clay Wilson
Keith Warren
Jeff Wilson
Rebecca Johnson
Joe Norman

STAFF PRESENT

Christopher Todd
Julie A Good
Todd Poteat

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Johnnie Greene called the meeting to order.

INVOCATION: Mayor Johnnie Greene gave the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Mayor Johnnie Greene led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ADOPT AGENDA: Mayor Johnnie Greene asked for a motion to adopt the agenda.

Keith Warren made a motion, and Joe Norman seconded, to adopt the agenda. All were in favor.

PRESENTATION: VIRGINIA ACRES SANITARY SEWER: Town Administrator Christopher Todd gave a short presentation on the proposed sanitary sewer project for the Horseshoe Bend Road area and the Virginia Acres subdivision outlining the project area, the mandatory sewer connection policy, along with both the current and future sewer rate structures.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Reba Helms, Stephanie Tramble, Gary Miller, Josh Miller, Clyde Miller, Joe Wesson, Benny Fry, Rick Shehan, Paul Bright, Tim Sanders, Joe Helton, Nicholas Wilson, Revonda Miller, Mike Kilby, Karen McNeely, David Massie, Margo Rice, Alan Barger, Shelda Aultman, Brad Hass, Tommy Cole, Olivia Ford, Carolyn Dietz, Michael Rhinehart and Billy King had questions and comments for Council.

COUNCIL COMMENT:

Joe Norman stated that he has lived in Sawmills all his life and been on Council for twenty (20) years. Joe Norman stated that there are homes that have failing septic tanks and it is not going to get any better and if Council does not do something now the problem is only going to get worse. Joe Norman also stated that Council is working towards what everyone needs and he thinks that Council should go ahead with the proposed sanitary sewer project for the Horseshoe Bend Road area and the Virginia Acres subdivision.

Rebecca Johnson stated that the Council wanted to have the special meeting so no one thought they were hiding anything about the sanitary sewer project for the Horseshoe Bend Road area and the Virginia Acres subdivision and to get public feedback to help Council make a decision on the project. Rebecca Johnson also stated that the sewer the Town currently has is not paying for its self and to add a loan on top of that is going to make sewer rates go up for the next few years. Rebecca Johnson stated that the best thing for Council was let the public speak about what they wanted. Rebecca Johnson thanked everyone for coming to the meeting and for their input on this issue.

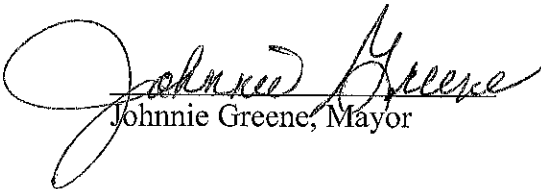
Jeff Wilson wanted to thank everyone for coming out and helping with this difficult decision.

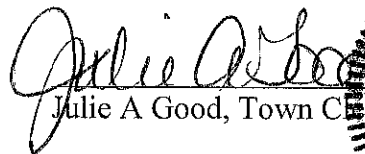
Clay Wilson wanted to thank everyone for coming out. Clay Wilson stated that it is difficult decision to make due to the amount of money involved (approximately two point eight million dollars) and the amount of time that the citizens of Sawmills are going to be paying on this loan (approximately for the next twenty (20) years).

Mayor Johnnie Greene stated that he appreciated everyone coming out. Mayor Johnnie Greene stated that as being a new Mayor everything is new to him and he appreciated everyone on the Council for making difficult decisions. Mayor Johnnie Greene also stated that he understands that any decisions that Council makes are not going to make everyone happy all the time but the decisions need to be made.

ADJOURN: Mayor Johnnie Greene stated no Council action was required and asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Rebecca Johnson made a motion, and Clay Wilson seconded, to adjourn the meeting. All were in favor.


Johnnie Greene, Mayor


Julie A Good, Town Clerk

