## Town of New London Board of Commissioner's Meeting October 3, 2023

Mayor Tate Daniels welcomed everyone and opened the Commissioner's Meeting. Present for the meeting were Mayor Daniels, Commissioners Bill Peak, Richard Kimmer, Johnny Chestnut, Sid Lanier, and Town Manager Susan Almond. Commissioner Timothy Higgins was absent from the meeting. Visitors present at the meeting were Elizabeth Chestnut, Tim Swaringen, John & Cathy Kimmer and Mitzie Lanier.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Chestnut. Mayor Daniels asked if there were any changes to the agenda. Commissioner Kimmer made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Commissioner Lanier. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Daniels asked if there were any corrections or additions to the minutes from the September 5<sup>th</sup> meeting. There being no corrections, Commissioner Peak made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Commissioner Kimmer. Motion carried unanimously.

**Sewer Report-** Commissioner Peak reported that the sewer stations are functioning properly with no issues to report.

**Code Enforcement-** Mr. Tim Swaringen gave an update on the property at Hinson Parker Road and E Depot St. The Board commented on all the new infrastructure progressing in the county and recommended Commissioner Chestnut work with Mr. Tim Swaringen to determine if the lot size requirements in New London's Zoning Ordinance align with our updated land use plan.

## Mrs. Almond reported on the following:

- Local Church's Trunk or Treat at the Park- Saturday, October 21<sup>st</sup> from 5:00pm 8:00pm at New London Memorial Park with Live Music, Drama, Food and Candy.
- Christmas in the Park- Santa & Mrs. Claus will be at the small Town Park on Friday, December 1<sup>st</sup> from 6:00pm 8:00pm.
- Bulk Waste Pick-up- Saturday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>.

## Mayor Daniels gave an update on the following:

• Park Update-

**Swings-** (6) wooden park swings are stained and finished and will be placed in the near future with concrete pads poured underneath.

Ditch clean up- the drainage ditch along the middle trail of the park has been cleaned out.

**Park Lights**- Commissioner Chestnut made a motion to install lights on the small park shelters like the one recently installed at the Sheriff's Office, seconded by Commissioner Peak. Motion carried unanimously.

**Pecan Trees at Town Park**- Unlimited Tree Service will give a quote for cutting the pecan trees at the small park. We are also waiting on a quote from Mabry's Tree Service.

• **Capital Project Ideas**- the Board discussed applying for sewer project funds if a grant is not received from the Rural Infrastructure Authority (RIA) for the Clayton Supply Project. The RIA meets on October 17<sup>th</sup>.

The Board also discussed applying for a grant for park improvements. Commissioner Kimmer noted that Pickle Ball courts cost approximately \$105,000, which include 4 asphalt courts fenced in, measuring approximately 240 ft x 120 ft. This is a rough estimate that does not include lighting, bathrooms or walkways.

The agenda being accomplished, the meeting adjourned at 7:35 pm.

Minutes submitted by Susan Almond, Town Manager.