## **EWAB Meeting Minutes, River Bend Municipal Building**

## Monday, October 4, 2021

Meeting was Called to order at 7:02pm by Jim Stevens

In Attendance:

Jon Hall Jim Stevens Karl Lichty Patty Leonard Councilman Brian Leonard

Not in attendance: Mary Holihan Paige Ackiss Ray Jaklitsch

Minutes from the August 2, 2021 meeting were read. On a motion from Patty Leonard and seconded by Karl Lichty, the minutes were approved unanimously.

Councilman Leonard updated the committee about the National Night Out that was held Saturday October 2, 2021. There was a good turnout. The weather was great and the music was great also.

There are several grant applications that have been submitted or in the process. One is for the alternate exit out of River Bend. Several artists rendering were submitted to River Bend as part of the process. If the grant is successful, there will be no Town funds that will have to be expended for this road.

Talked about American Rescue Plan funds in the Town budget. The Town will be using these funds for erecting a new building for Public Works which was damaged in Hurricane Florence. There are four potential site locations and the process to complete the project is ongoing.

Councilman Leonard also reported that the Finance Director for the Town, Margaret Theiss has retired. Mandy Gilbert is the new Finance Director. The Town is also purchasing new software for the Finance Department.

Karl Lichty asked what was happening to the walking paths, why were they being regraded? Councilman Leonard reported that as part of the paving contract, the walking paths were being paved.

Old Business: Discussion of Bulkhead evaluations was held. Councilman Leonard reported that he had discussed with Town Manager who suggested that once the Ordinance discussions were over and updates completed, if any, the process for evaluating bulkheads and doing soundings for the canal should be clarified and that project can be scheduled.

New Business: Had a brief discussion about the documents that were sent out by Jim regarding the Ordinance government the Waterways/Environmental Advisory Board. It was agreed that the Board participants would look at the old Ordinance, and at the suggested changes by the Town Manager, and have an open discussion at the November 1, 2021 meeting and vote on any changes then.

Jim Stevens asked if there were any volunteer hours and there were none.

Next meeting is scheduled for November 1, 2021 at 7:00pm in River Bend Municipal Building's Large Conference Room.

Motion by Patty Leonard to adjourn, seconded by Karl Lichty, and without objection the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted

Jim Stevens