

Town of Hot Springs  
Board of Alderman  
Regular Morning Meeting  
March 15, 2013

Present:

Mayor: Brian Reese  
Alderman: Carolyn Ammons  
Alderman: Johnny Lawson  
Alderman: Vaughn Barnett  
Clerk: Nancy Thomas

Mayor Reese called the meeting to order at 9:00.

Alderman Johnny Lawson made the motion to approve the minutes.  
Alderman Carolyn Ammons seconded the motion.

The Board discussed with Laughing Heart Lodge employee, Glenda , plans to welcome a group of 13 to Hot Springs during the Trail Fest event, taking place the weekend of April 19. The group consists of Military Veterans who are hiking the Appalachian Trail.

The Board expressed their desire, in order to show support our Military, to welcome this group with various activities.

Glenda stated she still had to meet with Deborah Delisle with the Community Learning Center, Lisa Gosnell with Hot Springs Elementary School, and members of the Friendship Club to finalize plans. Mayor Reese, along with Board Members, volunteered to host a dinner for the group of Veterans at Springbrook Cottages on April 20<sup>th</sup>.

Glenda asked the Board if a permit was needed for a parade, in the event they schedule one when planning the weekend activities.

Mayor Reese replied no permit would be needed, but they would have to inform the Board of a timeline, so the Police Department could make necessary preparations.

Other potential activities were discussed, and will be finalized at a later date.

Maintenance Employee Larry Ricker asked the Board if they would approve the expense of replacing or repairing drain grates in various streets throughout Town. He had approached Steve Shelton regarding these grates, and Mr. Shelton agreed he could construct them at a price of \$100.00 per grate.

Alderman Lawson made the motion to allow Mr. Shelton to supply the grates to the Town at \$100.00 per grate.

Alderman Barnett seconded the motion.

Mr. Ricker also asked for the Boards approval to purchase gravel and shale to repair various areas in town and at the well house at a cost of \$15.75 per load.

Alderman Lawson made the motion to approve the purchase of the shale and gravel.

Alderman Barnett seconded the motion.

Mr. Ricker also stated some "No Parking" and "Do Not Block Driveway" signs needed to be placed or replaced.

The Board asked the Clerk to order the signs.

Alderman Ammons told the other Board members that they needed to make a decision regarding hiring an Engineer, which, according to Karen Kiehna with Land of the Sky, has to be done in order to acquire the grants the Board is pursuing to assist in purchasing fire hydrants and assist in replacing water and sewer lines.

The Board discussed going over a list of Engineers and choosing one.

Alderman Lawson made the motion to approve hiring an Engineer.

Alderman Ammons seconded the motion.

Alderman Ammons said they were not obligated to hold two meetings per month, and as there is usually nobody attending the Friday Morning Meetings, she suggested postponing the morning meetings at this time.

Alderman Lawson made the motion to postpone the morning meetings for an unspecified amount of time, unless something came up.

Alderman Ammons seconded the motion.

A Blossman representative left a card at Town Hall and stated their prices were .15 cheaper than the Town's current provider. The Board said rather than changing over the tanks, they would just stay with the current provider.

As there was no other business,

Alderman Ammons made the motion to adjourn.

Alderman Lawson seconded the motion.