

City of Coffman Cove  
Regular City Council Meeting  
Thursday, October 17<sup>th</sup>, 2019  
**6:30 PM** at City Hall

**Call to Order:** Mayor Sunde calls meeting to order at 6:30pm

**Roll Call:** Mike Underwood, present, Joel Buchanan, absent, excused, Jacki Sunde, present, Yvonne Drozdowicz-Somfleth, present, Brian Wilson, present at 6:50pm, Sara Yockey, present, Terra Green, present.

**Pledge of Allegiance:** Yes

**Public Comment:** Mayor Sunde read aloud what the public comment portion of the meeting is, and the requirements when speaking. Dawn Rosenlund hopes that the public comment section is polite, and listened to this time around. Steve Beilgard would like to suggest that there be public comment on any issue for other ideas. Mayor Sunde agrees that the only time this will happen is if the information is factual and pertinent to the meeting, it cannot be speculation, arguing, etc., and as Mayor she will decide whether it is pertinent. Russ Johnson made a list of things he would like to see starting with a log to block people from driving over the edge at the Harbor, Mayor Sunde asked if he would like to be a persons to be heard, and Russ suggested that he could just give her the list. Mayor Sunde took possession of the list. Yvonne would like to discuss an issue at the Library, the issue that came up today as she and Lynn were working on the PLA Grant Report (Public Library Assistance), the Grant Office would like this done online. There is no internet, at this time she is not asking for internet, but we do need to look professional, and would like to have internet. Yvonne is hoping to have numbers for a hardline internet ready for the next meeting, this will be for the computers inside, use during operating hours only, Yvonne feels that having internet back at the library will make it a more professional working environment. If anyone has ideas or suggestions please contact Yvonne, Sara is willing to assist Yvonne in finding grants.

**Approval of Agenda:** Sara Yockey makes a motion to approve agenda, Jacki Sunde 2<sup>nd</sup>. **All in favor, none opposed, motion to approve agenda passes.**

**Persons to be Heard:** Chad Dillman – Superintendent Sheri Becker was here to speak: Potential closure of Community Greenhouse: budget concerns it was decided that the Agriculture Program was not a priority to the school district it is one of the items that were cut. After taking a further look at the budget the Coffman Cove Greenhouse as well as the Thorne Bay Greenhouse because of the expense the district is looking into closing. We are here as a District to ask for input, we need your help there was mention of Misty's Facebook post asking for help to find a way to continue with the Greenhouse. The District has lost the Americore Worker, however he is still volunteering where he can, the general education funding has been lost which provided pay to those that were keeping the greenhouse going. There have been a few suggestions to run a community greenhouse, a co-operative, the students already have a business this could be built upon. We are asking

for ideas, we would like to see both greenhouses remain open, the expense is too high. The Agriculture Coordinator for the district is Brian Krossschell could not be here, if you have any ideas, he would love to hear from you. Phone number is the district office number 907-828-8254; email is bkrossschell@sisd.org.

Potential closure of school workout room to public there have been concerns, and needs expressed for the classroom. At one time there was an agreement with the school and the city for a membership program and a key box. Mayor Sunde feels this should be something that is decided by the District, Sheri agrees she just wanted the input of the council, and community. The school district did not want to shut it down without informing the community, Sara Yockey had some questions. Is the old kindergarten building an option? That could be an option, it would be the same liabilities, but our liabilities are insured for the it would require some changes, also a waver would need to be signed. Terra Green had a question, as to what building was the kindergarten building, and were people aware that there is asbestos in that building. There was a comment made that all the old city buildings have it and as long as it is not disturbed it is not a problem. Comment was made about not wanting children in the building, misunderstood this would be where the weight room would go.

**Consent Agenda:**

1. Mayor Report	6. <del>Projects/Grants Report</del>	11. Water/Sewer Report
2. Minutes	7. Financial Report	12. <del>Fire Dept. Report</del>
3. <del>Watershed Report</del>	8. Post Office Report	13. EMS Report
4. CQE Report	9. Parks/Rec/Maintenance	14. Library Report
5. Special Events Report	10. IFA Report	15. NEFA Report
16. Loggers Lane/Luck Lake Paving Project		

**IFA Report, and Loggers Lane/Luck Lake Paving Project report done by Brian Wilson verbally at the end of meeting.**

**Correspondence/Information:**

Letter of suggestions and Welcoming New Council Members from Steve Beilgard: Mayor Sunde thanked Steve for the letter, for acknowledging the members of council.

**Resolutions & Ordinances:**

**Unfinished Business:**

1. ROW Firewood Permit Policy: Mayor Sunde makes a motion to table as no one has been able to work in it, Yvonne Drozdowicz-Somfleth 2<sup>nd</sup>. Sara Yockey requests a copy, Terra Green agrees to send a copy. **All in favor, none opposed, motion to table passes.**

2. Finger Float Materials Purchase Approval: Terra Green makes a motion to table until all information is received, Yvonne Drozdowicz-Somfleth 2<sup>nd</sup>. **All in favor, none opposed, motion to table passes.**

#### **New Business:**

1. Maintenance Worker Position: Position has been posted, there has been some applications with one letter of interest, Mayor Sunde would like to post the position for two more weeks, to see if we have more people apply. Mayor Sunde makes a motion to hang job posting for two more weeks, Terra Green 2<sup>nd</sup>. **All in favor, none opposed, motion to hand job posting 2 more weeks passes.**
2. Appoint new Council member to serve on Platting Board: Sara Yockey makes a motion to appoint Yvonne Drozdowicz-Somfleth to serve on the Platting Board, Jacki Sunde 2<sup>nd</sup>. **All in favor, none opposed, motion to appoint Yvonne Drozdowicz-Somfleth to serve on Platting Board passes.**

**Public/Council Comment:** There was a suggestion from Janie Wainscott to use the Ferry Terminal as a gym with the loaned school workout equipment. Mayor Sunde let community members know that the City cannot take on the liability of having a workout facility, Sara Yockey wanted to know if our AMLJIA would cover that liability, Terra Green states that is covers the buildings. Sara suggests a waiver, she is not entirely in support of having everything in the Ferry Terminal, Mayor Sunde reminds council that the Red Cross items will be coming in, and we cannot leave it open. There had been some talk about moving City Hall to the Terminal Sara wanted to know what the status was, Terra Green states that it would have to be approved by the state because they need to be able to use it if and when they decide to run a ferry in and out of the Terminal. The idea was that the City would use a small area in the Terminal, and that the rest would still be useful as a Terminal, the process was never completed as there was change over in Offices.

Sara Yockey would like to know what Boards/Committees the City is part of and the reps that are involved with these, Mayor Sunde suggests adding it to the Workshop for November, she would also like to see the Website updated more, the calendar with meeting dates, workshop dates, garbage pickup dates, as she is not always here when the business where we post are open. Heather lets us know that she manages the Website and she is more than happy to get it done; Terra Green makes every effort to keep the City Facebook updated with this information. Council agrees that they would like this to be a welcoming environment for those that want to come in and speak or voice concerns. Mayor Sunde reminds us that this cannot be done during the meeting, but if there are people that would like to be put on Persons to Be Heard portion of agenda to please come into the office and let staff know.

Sara Yockey would like to know if there are any updates on the Loggers Lane/Luck Lake Paving Project, Brian Wilson is here to speak, he is turning in the ROW, and Utilities paperwork to make sure it is all in our possession. Brian would like us to put the Road Project and the Water Project on the next workshop, there is a possibility that they will not be doing the water plant project until next year as a council we need to decide when to bid

the project out so we don't end up with a large Audit bill. There are two pieces of paper that need signed, Mayor Sunde will need to sign them. We may want to do the construction part of the project this Fiscal Year to keep it all under \$750,000, there is no paving slated for this year or next Spring, if there is other paving on the island we can maximize our paving abilities, and our dollars will go a lot further, to move a paving plant to the island just for us is between \$150,000 to \$250,000 which will take a lot of our construction money away, we were expecting our Water Treatment Plant to be done this winter and CRW has discussed doing this next winter, I have sent off emails so by the next Workshop we should have some answers. Sara would like to know if we are trying to stay under a dollar amount to avoid and audit, and yes we are trying the keep it under \$750,000 in a Fiscal Year, it is Sara's understanding that the NFR needed to be spent, on streets and roads or schools, Brian lets Sara know that we have never been required to spend these funds and it is for streets and roads. Sara would like to know if we have had an audit, the last audit was done in 2016. The cost of the audit is why we are trying to avoid having one, approximate coast of an audit is \$25,000 to \$40,000, and this is all out of pocket this doesn't count our staffs time which is about another \$10,000 to \$12,000.

IFA did receive money from the state to continue operating every day.

**Adjourn:** Mayor Sunde moves to adjourn meeting, Terra Green 2<sup>nd</sup>. **Mike Underwood, yes, Jacki Sunde, yes, Yvonne Drozdowicz-Somfleth, yes, Brian Wilson, yes, Sara Yockey, yes, Terra Green, yes, motion to adjourn passes.**

Passed and approved this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2019.

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Mayor

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Clerk