

**Town of Mason Council**  
**Regular Meeting**  
**July 7, 2022, 6:30 p.m., Town Hall**

The regular meeting of the Mason Town Council was opened by Mayor Kristopher Clark with the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence.

Present were Mayor Kristopher Clark, Recorder Mindy Kearns, and council members Stephen Ohlinger, Bob Reed, Sarah Stover, and Jill Nelson. Absent was Councilman Barry Taylor.

Minutes from the regular meeting on June 23, 2022 were read and approved upon motion by Stover and second by Ohlinger. Bills were approved to be paid minus the Hutton Excavating invoice, following a motion by Ohlinger and second by Reed. Both motions passed.

**Personal appearances:**

Tara Shilt was present to complain about alleys.

**Committee Reports:**

Nelson said she is already making plans for Christmas in the Park, scheduled for the first Saturday in December.

Kearns read an estimate from Foreman and Abbott to replace a heating and cooling unit for town hall. It will be on the next agenda.

**Mayor's Report:**

Clark said land has been secured for the Veterans Memorial Park. He added the purple lights are working on the bridge; street sweeping was completed; and a grant has been submitted to T-Mobile for LED lights at the baseball field.

**Unfinished Business:**

Northbend Church has offered to pay for the concrete and labor for the full-size basketball court. The town will be responsible for fencing and lights.

The proposed building on Brown Street and side-by-side purchase were tabled.

**New Business:**

The council agreed to pay \$43,312.90 for liability insurance, retroactive to July 1. Ohlinger made the motion, Nelson seconded, and the motion passed.

Kearns read an ordinance regulating generators. The first reading was tabled until approval is given by the town attorney.

The Hutton Excavating invoice in the amount of \$76,861.74 was discussed. The bill was for the replacement of the collapsed sewer line from RJ Lane to above Yonker Lane, which was an emergency situation. The mayor will contact Hutton to see if a discount or payment plan is possible.

Police Chief Colton McKinney said he and Aaron Woolard repaired the Taurus. He reported warnings are being given until mid-July for the side-by-side state laws.

The mayor announced an outdoor movie on July 15 at dark and Music in the Park on July 16, 7 p.m., with Southern Draw band.

He also said the DEP will be in town for 2 to 4 days to swab the Lew King building at the DEP's expense of \$9,000.

Ohlinger made the motion to adjourn, Reed seconded, and the motion passed.