

The regular meeting of the Boydton Town Council was held on September 11, 2018, at 7:30 P.M. in the Town Hall Council Chambers with Mayor John M. Kirkland presiding.

THOSE PRESENT

**John M. Kirkland, Mayor
T. G. Gill, Vice Mayor (Absent)
W. H. Coleman (Absent)
Bill Thompson
David M. Crowder
Ronny Worley
Paul “Ray” Cherry
Shirley S. Bowen, MMC, Clerk-Treasurer
Angela S. Amos, Deputy Clerk
Chief Danny R. Fox**

GUESTS

**Mr. R. H. Park III, WWTP Chief Operator
Mr. Johnny Roberts, Jr., Maint. Supervisor
Mrs. Mildred Winn
Will & Donna Ober, Susanna Manton
Mrs. Marie Goodwin
Mr. David Goodwin
Ms. Hannah Cox, South Hill Enterprise**

Mayor John M. Kirkland opened the regular meeting of the Boydton Town Council by welcoming everyone for their attendance at tonight’s meeting. He then led the council guests with the pledge of allegiance to the flag followed by a moment of silence with a reminder of this day seventeen (17) years ago, that of 9/11.

The Mayor requested approval of the August 14, 2018, regular minutes. Councilman Ronny Worley moved to approve the minutes for August 14, 2018, as presented. Councilman Bill

Thompson seconded the motion, and all members voted unanimously. Mayor Kirkland requested a motion to pay the bills for the month of September 2018, as submitted. Councilman Ray Cherry moved to pay the bills as submitted for September 2018, with Councilman David Crowder seconding the motion. All members voted in favor.

Police Chief, Danny R. Fox, reported on his police activity for August. He reported he actually didn’t have anything to report for the month of August; however, he advised that there had been an arrest regarding the assault of a police officer by the Sheriff’s office, and the offender was caught shoplifting, as well. There were no other questions or concerns addressed to Chief Fox.

Mr. R. H. Park III reported that Boydton’s Department of Water, RRSA Meter Readings Report of water pumped for August 2018, was 2,034,000 gallons and added that the second page of the report, showed that there was over a half million gallons of water flushed during the month that was due to low chlorine residual in and around town and caused by the high temperatures. He also advised that the third quarter TTHM report showed there were some technical violations, which were over the limit that was possibly due to the heat, as well. He

further stated that this had been reported to the Roanoke River Service Authority, so they are aware of this and he advised that hopefully the levels would be coming down by the next quarter. There were no problems with the DMR Report for the month. He continued by saying that the budgeted ditch pump had been installed, being used, and working well. He then advised that he'd seen an approximate 40% reduction in electrical costs due to the WWTP renovations. Mr. Park III also stated that since the new scader system had been installed, along with the upgraded computer system; thus, indicating the occupants at the industrial park had flushed an approximate 1.2 million gallons of water that went through the system at the WWTP, and it worked fine with no problems being noted. He stated they just sat back and monitored the system with everything working great; therefore, he felt the upgrades at the plant were well warranted.

Mr. Johnny Roberts, Maintenance Supervisor, reported on the maintenance department's activity for the month of August 2018. Mr. Roberts informed the council that the town's new employee in his department, Nick Echols, had begun working as of August 30th. He continued by stating that they were continuing to repair pipes where leaks had been found; such as the one on Madison Street across from Dollar General and the one the Vice Mayor had mentioned where water was running down the street up at the old school. He stated it was a leak under the in-service building, so he turned that one off and notified the County. He also informed the council that the pipe on Hull Street, between Mrs. Ellen Walker and Farm Bureau, had started to leak again, and he was looking into how to best repair this, since it seemed the pipe had been clamped off at several places; thus, he felt a new pipe should be installed there. He said that this job would require a *professional* to come in and do the repairs, since it seemed the pipe extended under Farm Bureau's asphalt parking lot and they didn't have the equipment that would be needed to do the job. After a brief discussion ensued, Mr. Roberts advised that he would continue to work on this problem. The Mayor advised Mr. Roberts to do what needs to be done and contact whoever needed to be contacted for bids to repair the problem. Mr. The Mayor requested a motion to adopt the 2017 Financial Audit that had been prepared and finalized by Creedle, Jones, and Alga. Councilman David Crowder moved to adopt the 2017 Financial Audit as presented. Councilman Bill Thompson seconded the motion and all members voted in favor.

Mayor Kirkland opened the floor for public comments. brought to the attention of the council that something should be done about the parking spaces in front of the Goode Building and the inability of not being able to see oncoming traffic when a vehicle is pulling out at this location and giving cause for more accidents. Chief Fox and Mr. Roberts expressed their thoughts and solutions to the problem and stated that they would try to resolve this complaint.

The Mayor commented on the playground. He informed the council and audience that a bid had been submitted for approximately \$5,500.00 to complete the playground and an anonymous person had given the money to supply the need. He asked that the council give their permission to go ahead and proceed in order for the playground to be completed. Councilman Ronny Worley moved to proceed with the playground finalization, with the stipulation for all signage to be erected prior to its completion. Councilman David Crowder seconded the motion, and the remaining councilmen voted unanimously to proceed.

With no further comments or concerns, Mayor Kirkland adjourned the meeting at 8:05 P.M.

**Shirley S. Bowen, MMC
Clerk of Council & Treasurer
September 11, 2018**

John M. Kirkland, Mayor