

The Lyerly Town Council held a phone conference call called meeting on Tuesday, March 31, 2020 at Lyerly Town Hall. Those on the call were:

Jim Ferguson, Mayor
Phil Brooks
Shirley Davis
Juanita Baker
Jim Gilliland

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Mayor Ferguson called each council member for the conference call. Once everyone was on the call, Mayor Ferguson called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m.

Mayor Ferguson said that he appreciates everyone doing the meeting this way. He has been taking care of Corona virus patients at the hospital and doesn't want to get anyone sick.

Mayor Ferguson said that the reason for this called meeting is the Local State of Emergency Joint Resolution that the Commissioner needs them to approve. Everyone should have gotten a copy to look over. It is through April 30th. Phil Brooks said that only thing that should affect for Lyerly is the barber shop, right. Mayor Ferguson said yes but as long as she only has one client at a time in there, he doesn't see a problem with her staying open. Phil Brooks agreed. Shirley Davis said that she has closed her groom shop down until the first of May. Juanita Baker said that she doesn't have a problem with it either way because the shop has just opened. Mayor Ferguson said that he hates to close her down when she is just getting going. Shirley Davis said that she will go along with whatever the majority wants. Juanita Baker said that she would too. Jim Gilliland said that she will not have ten people in there at a time. Juanita Baker said that she will not have five in there at a time. Phil Brooks made a motion to approve the Local State of Emergency Joint Resolution. Juanita Baker seconded. All in favor. Mayor Ferguson said that all of our businesses in town are deemed essential and will stay open, including the liquor store.

Shirley Davis asked if this would be our meeting for April or would we have another. Mayor Ferguson said that this would be our only meeting until May unless something comes up. Jim Gilliland said that he thinks that we may be able to get some money for the Town out of all of this. Mayor Ferguson said that he doesn't know how he can claim an economic impact on the Town itself because none of the businesses are closing. In support of the people that haven't been able to work, he may be able to do something. Jim Gilliland said that it has affected a lot of people in this area.

Juanita Baker asked if Sally Kerce told him about the big tree next to the fence at the park that needs to come down. She then asked why the workers put all of the hay and corn on the back trail at the park. It looks horrible. Mayor Ferguson said that he will tell them to spread it out.

Jim Gilliland asked when the paving on Highway 114 is going to start. Sally Kerce said that they started in Summerville at 27 and is heading our way.

Juanita Baker then said that the street light at the corner of Foster Street stays off more than it is on. Mayor Ferguson said that Sally will get that turned into Georgia Power.

Jim Gilliland said that there has been a problem with some people in the old Jones house stealing water from the church so the police have been down here. He said that they found some pot on

them, they made them leave and Mr. Jones didn't want to press charges. Mayor Ferguson said that he would get the address from Sally and tell the security to keep an eye out. Juanita Baker said that she went by the other day and there was a girl and boy sitting on the porch and she told Juanita that she was Mr. Jones case worker. Jim Gilliland said that she isn't his case worker. The case worker drives a van.

Shirley Davis said that Joey Carnes had some gas stolen out of their lawn mower. They cut their hose to cyfin it out and then they went across the street and stole food out of Mrs. Pullen freezer on the back porch and a fishing rod and reel.

Phil Brooks made a motion to adjourn. Juanita Baker seconded. All in favor. Meeting was adjourned at 8:19pm.

Mayor

Town Clerk