

## TOWN OF BAILEY

The Public Hearing Meeting of the Bailey Town Board was held in the Bailey Town Hall on October 16, 2017 at 7:00pm.

The following members of the Bailey Town Board were present: Commissioners Howard Wescott, Allen Daniels, Troy Conner and Jerry Bisette, Mayor Pro Tem Shelley Carroll and Town Administrator Timothy Johnson

### **Called the Public Hearing to order:**

Mayor Pro Tem Carroll called the Public Hearing meeting to order and opened the meeting and welcomed all guests who were attending the meeting. She asked that each speaker when addressing the public body to state their name and their address of residence.

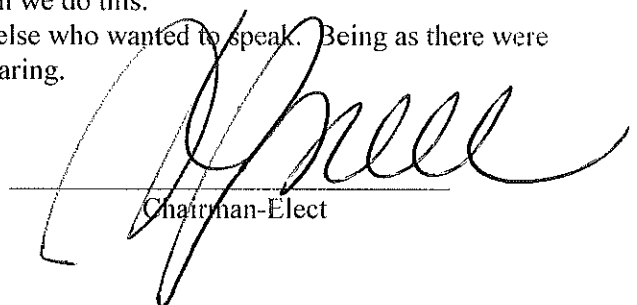
### **Public Comment:**

Mayor Pro Tem Carroll asked if there was anyone present in the gallery that wanted to speak on the Town of Bailey's request to withdraw from the PARTF Grant contract 2013-710. No one from the public came forward to speak on the issue.

Mayor Pro Tem Carroll then asked Town Administrator Johnson to speak on what was being requested and done. Town Administrator Johnson stated that Mayor Lu Harvey Lewis and he met with representatives from PARTF and they were looking at the contract that both Town's had entered into back in 2013. Upon being awarded the grant for that contract we received notification that we would be funded for the amount of \$250,000 with a match in the same amount of \$250,000. At the point in that this went into the funding round there was a potential contributor who was matching one for one. Since we asked for \$250,000 the benefactor was going to give \$250,000. Since this individual did not proceed with the funding the Towns were not able to adequately get Phase II funded. In order to prevent the Towns from having an issue in reference to this matter the PARTF representatives encouraged us to return the monies that were awarded back so that we could reapply in a future funding round. The PARTF representatives advised us that we went from a passive contract and then with an addendum to a part passive/active contract but might need to consider a more active contract. So with the understanding that we were not going to make the deadline for this contract to have all of the work completed we asked PARTF what we needed to do in order to return these funds. They advised us that this was the first step and that was to hold a Public Hearing to determine if there was any objection in returning these funds. So at this meeting the Mayor Pro Tem asked if there was anyone who wanted to speak on this matter and no one from the public has come forward to speak. Since we are the applicant we do not need anyone further to proceed with returning these funds however I have asked Mayor Lewis with the Town of Middlesex about this matter and is in agreement with us. When we look at the next funding round we will be looking at the same person who had previously looked at funding Phase II for us. The plan will probably look more favorable and conducive to them being a more active plan and we will also be looking at the County for funding because if they can place funds in their general fund for a park then they can also do that here as well. This will provide more available funds which will increase our overall application funding amount when we do this.

Mayor Pro Tem Carroll then asked if there was anyone else who wanted to speak. Being as there were no further speakers Mayor Pro Tem Carroll closed the public hearing.

  
Clerk

  
Chairman-Elect