

# **Town of Savanna Council Meeting**

**June 9, 2025 at 7pm**

## **Savanna Public Works Authority**

Meeting called to Order by Coy

Roll Call: Coy, Rhonda, Nathan and Robbye

Guests: Police Chief Matt Hines, Fire Chief Jeff Jones, Nick from George Kern CPA Office, City Attorney Danielle, and Coty.

1. Motion by Coy to Approve Minutes of May 12, 2025 Council Meeting Minutes, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Nathan; Votes: Coy - Yes Rhonda - Yes Nathan - Yes
2. Motion by Coy to Approve Current Claims, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Nathan; Votes: Coy - Yes Rhonda - Yes Nathan - Yes
3. George M. Kern C.P.A Office – Nick shared the report, stated breaking even on garbage and ahead on income so doing good. Motion by Coy to approve Financial Report, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Nathan; Votes: Coy - Yes Rhonda - Yes Nathan - Yes
4. Financial Audits/Budget Previews – Nick asked about a special meeting in June to approve budget once they have it ready? No Preview for SPWA at this time. Council agreed to just approve budget at July Meeting. No Action.
5. Heritage Waste Contract – Danielle received email and signed; Katie received the signed contract and signed it. Will forward to Heritage Waste later this week. No Action.
6. Clean Up Days – Matt will contact them and see what days are available but try for July 11-12. Same as last year, setup at the park, open 8-5 and will have someone sit and watch. No Action Needed
7. Water Lines on HWY 69 – Tabled by Coy.
8. SPWA News – Coty shared transmission needs replacement needed. Quote given to city treasurer. Shared message about water tower needing inspection Quarter cost would be around 4k and Driver is needed, we got an invoice from Utility Services and a new company called about the job but was

a higher rate, so council agreed to use Utility Services. Coty's membership is due its \$90.00 so he was going to use Comdata card. Motion by Coy to Utility Services for Water Tower Inspection, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Nathan; Votes: Coy - Yes Rhonda - Yes Nathan - Yes

9. Water Adjustments – None

10. New Business – None

11. Public Discussions – None

Motion to Adjourn by Coy, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Nathan; Votes: Coy - Yes Rhonda - Yes Nathan - Yes

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*Coy Hall*

*Nathan King*

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3. CD Renewal – CD #96946 and CD# 249890 mature this week and the bank is running a 7month special at 4% and 13 months at 3.75%. Council agreed renew at 7 months to get the best rate. Motion by Coy to renew CD# 96946 & 249890 at 7 months rate 4%, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Nathan; Votes: Coy - Yes Rhonda - Yes Nathan – Yes
4. George M. Kern C.P.A Office – Nick shared the report and said it looked good. Motion by Coy to Approve Financial Report, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Nathan; Votes: Coy - Yes Rhonda - Yes Nathan - Yes
5. Audits and Budget preview – Mike did have a preview for town side and Matt(police), Jeff(fire), and Coty (Street/Water) gave council and CPA budget for approval which matched pretty close to what Mike had on his preview so looking good there, but will make few adjustments in a few areas per council's request. Motion by Coy to Approve Budget Preview Discussion, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Nathan; Votes: Coy - Yes Rhonda - Yes Nathan - Yes
6. Grants – Working on getting new invoice for the generators which will be reimbursed by the RWA Grant. Coty is working on getting that done ASAP. since we are so far invested etc. so if the town has to cover the full cost so be it, it needs to be completed. No action needed.

7. Recent and/or Upcoming Events – Fire Dept had training recently and it went well. Savanna Summer School students has challenged our first responders to a battle on Friday for the last day for school, we think it is a water fight so any first responders available are welcomed to join. Savanna day is June 28<sup>th</sup> Office Clerks will handle calls or questions for food vendors and they can setup either Friday night or Saturday morning, no setup fee but must have own water and electricity. Robbye will be out of town but stage has been reserved and will leave a check to pay for it. No Action Needed.
8. Settlement Hearing on July 22, 2025- The town council appoints Chief Matthew Hines to be the town's representative for the hearing. Motion by Coy for Matthew Hines to represent the Town of Savanna at the hearing on July 22, 2025, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Nathan; Votes: Coy - Yes Rhonda - Yes Nathan - Yes
9. Chief Hines shared he will getting the new truck outfitted soon and getting what he can out of the old truck so council can decide which dept will get the old truck but at this time it is outfitted for a first responder unit and whoever gets it needs to be careful because it is powerful and can be dangerous. Coy said to remove what you can from it and park it under awning for now until council decides. Body Cameras have been ordered town can pay it all at once or down payment and monthly payments. Due to budget reasons etc. Coy suggested the monthly payments since they are interest free. Matt shared the PD Finance Report and said running well. Motion by Coy approve Police Business, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Nathan; Votes: Coy - Yes Rhonda - Yes Nathan - Yes
10. Jeff shared budget for next year and that fire dept will be getting a new rescue truck but using county funds to purchase and it will be fully outfitted. Planning to do monthly training but will skip June due to weather. Robbye is still working on Comdata cards but couldn't order via phone so had to send message via support page. Jeff and Coty have been using their Comdata cards to fuel fire truck and etc. Radio tower bent from last storm so may need that checked soon. Motion by Coy to Approve Fire News, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Nathan; Votes: Coy - Yes Rhonda - Yes Nathan - Yes

11. New Business; Matt shared it was about 4k for canopy and labor to fix the playground cover damaged during last storm but waiting to pay invoice until because it came with a quarter size hole in it that needs repaired or replace it. Emergency management is working on combining and organizing to better service the area but running low on funds so asking local fire depts to pay for dispatch. Coy has talked to the county commissioner about it, which he was not aware but will be looking into it and getting back with Coy on the matter. USDA paperwork is printed off and Robbye needs CPA help to get it completed. Dump Truck repairs needed, Coy said get them fixed. Nathan recommended a mechanic by hospital and will share contact information with Coty and Fire dept. No Action Needed.

12. Public Business; None.

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*Rhonda Harte*