Virginia: **At the continued meeting of the Council of the Town of Chilhowie held at the Municipal Building, September 16, 2021, at 7:00 p.m.**

Present: **Honorable Gary L. Heninger, Mayor presiding; Councilors Billy L. Clear, Brent Foster, Lewis W. Shortt, Jr., Julie Sturgill and P.J. Wolfe.**

Absent: **Councilor Donna Blevins.**

Also Present: **Mr. John E.B. Clark, Jr., Town Manager; Mrs. Marlene Henderson, MMC, Clerk-Treasurer; Messrs. Paul Cassell, Town Attorney; Jay Keen, Director of Public Works; Andrew Moss, Police Chief and David Haynes, Fire/EMS Chief.**

- Consideration of Bids Received for the Roof on Old High School – The Town re-advertised for bids for the replacement of the roof on the Old High School. Two bids were received, R.L. Williams in the amount of $134,600 and Laferney Roofing in the amount of $88,820. Laferney Roofing met all required specks and offers a twenty-year warranty. Laferney Roofing plans to replace the membrane roof with 60 mil membrane and replace insulation board as needed. Completion date is estimated to be eight weeks. If awarded the bid Laferney is requesting partial payment on contract date, partial payment once materials are delivered and rest of payment owed once completed.

Motion by Brent Foster, second Bill Clear Council accepts the bid from Laferney Roofing to replace the roof of the Old High School in the amount of $88,820. The motion was approved with following recorded vote:

Donna Blevins	Absent	Bill Clear	Aye
Brent Foster	Aye	Lewis Shortt	Aye
Julie Sturgill	Aye	P.J. Wolfe	Aye

- Consideration of Fire Apparatus Purchase – After discussion during the regular scheduled Council meeting Mr. John Clark, Town Manager, compiled financial data considering all three scenarios Mr. David Haynes, Fire and EMS Chief, previously presented to Council. Mr. Clark reported Scenario Number 1 is to purchase three vehicles and finance twenty years at 2.125% assuming the Town utilizes $250,000 ARPA money and $100,000 County support money. Mr. Clark reported $50,000 is budgeted for in the 2021-2022 Budget but $100,000 is also needed in order to equip the three vehicles. Mr. Clark estimates $11,260.14 per month or $135,122 annual payment which is a total of $2,702,433.60 to payoff. Extra funding would be required to support the debt.

  Scenario Number 2 is to purchase one fire engine and finance at seven years at 2.125% assuming the Town utilizes $250,000 ARPA money and $100,000 County support money. Mr. Clark reported $50,000 is budgeted for in the 2021-2022 Budget but $30,000 is needed

to equip the truck. Mr. Clark estimates $5,513.74 per month or $66,164.88 annual payments. Extra funding would be required to support the debt.

Scenario Number 3 is to purchase one fire engine and finance at ten years at 2.125% assuming the Town utilizes $250,000 ARPA money and $100,000 County support money. Mr. Clark reported $50,000 is budgeted for in the 2021-2022 Budget but $30,000 is also needed in order to equip one vehicle. Extra funding would be needed to support the debt.

Mr. David Haynes, Fire and EMS Chief, presented three proposals. Proposal number 1 is for a group purchase of three apparatuses that would constitute a fleet replacement in a twenty-year term at the interest rate of 2.125% at the total cost of $2.7 million. Chief Haynes proposed to use $200,000 ARPA Funds, $30,000 from 2021-2022 Budgeted funds and finance $2,470,000 for an annual payment of $151,705.00. Proposal number 1 includes a payment plan of proposed debt service $151,705, available funds from current budget line items $101,000, a request from Smyth County in the 2022-2023 Budget of $33,609, leaving the need for extra funding from the Town in the amount of $17,096.

Proposal two proposes the replacement of three apparatuses over a 21-year period with an apparatus purchase every seven years. This scenario would replace apparatuses based on mileage and need. Replacement of Engine 3 at the cost of $850,000.00 using ARPA Funds in the amount of $200,000, 2021-2022 Budget Funds of $30,000 and $620,000.00 to be financed for an annual payment on a seven-year term of $95,400.00. Replacement of Quint 3 at the amount of $1,590,348.00 with an annual payment over seven years of $244,710. The replacement of Tanker 3 at the cost of $971,216.00 with an annual payment over seven years in the amount of $149,443.00

Proposal three proposes the replacement of three apparatuses over a three-year period with one apparatus purchased in 2021-2022 and the remaining two purchased during fiscal years 2025-2026. The replacement of Engine 3 at the cost of $850,000 using $200,000 of ARPA funds, $30,000 of 2021-2022 Budget funds and finance $620,000 with an annual payment over a ten- year loan in the amount of $68,875.00. Replacement of Quint 3 and Tanker 3 in 2025-2026 at the cost of $2,122,917.00 with an annual payment over fifteen years in the amount of $165,404.00.

Mr. Paul Cassell, Town Attorney, suggested to move forward with the Agenda item for a Closed Session and return to the Agenda Item for Consideration of Fire Apparatus Purchase.

Closed Session:

- Closed Session to Discuss Proposals for Solid Waste Collection as allowed by Section 2.2-3711(A)(29) of the Code of Virginia, as amended –

Motion by Brent Foster, second by Julie Sturgill and unanimously passed Council hereby enters into Closed Session for discussion of Proposals for Solid Waste Collection as allowed by Justification Section 2.2-3711(A)(29) of the Code of Virginia, as amended for the Code of Virginia. The motion was approved with following recorded vote:

Donna Blevins	Absent	Bill Clear	Aye
Brent Foster	Aye	Lewis Shortt	Aye
Julie Sturgill	Aye	P.J. Wolfe	Aye

Motion by Brent Foster, second by Lewis Shortt and unanimously passes Council hereby enters into Open Session. The motion was approved with following recorded vote:

Donna Blevins	Absent	Bill Clear	Aye
Brent Foster	Aye	Lewis Shortt	Aye
Julie Sturgill	Aye	P.J. Wolfe	Aye

CERTIFICATION OF CLOSED SESSION

The Town of Chilhowie has convened a closed meeting on this date pursuant to an affirmative recorded vote and in accordance with the provisions of the Virginia Freedom of Information Act; and Section 2.2-3711(A)(29) of the Code of Virginia, as amended, requires a certificate by the Council that such closed meetings was conducted on conformity with Virginia Law;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Town of Chilhowie hereby certifies that, to the best of each member's knowledge, (i) only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements by Virginia law were discussed in the closed meeting to which this certificate applies, and (ii) only such public business matters as were identified in the motion convening the closed meeting were heard, discussed or considered by the Town Council.

Record of vote:

Ayes:	5
Nays:	0
Absent:	1

Motion by Brent Foster, second by Lewis Shortt Council enters into contract negotiations with GFL and authorizes Town Manager to execute necessary documents. The motion was approved with following recorded vote:

Donna Blevins	Absent	Bill Clear	Aye
Brent Foster	Aye	Lewis Shortt	Aye
Julie Sturgill	Aye	P.J. Wolfe	Aye

- Continuation of Consideration of Fire Apparatus Purchase - After much discussion Council suggested purchasing two apparatus, an Aerial Truck at the cost of $1.25 million and replace Engine 3 at the cost of $850,000 and conduct a limited refurbish of Engine 2 within two to three years.

Motion by Brent Foster, second by Julie Sturgill Council approves the purchase of an Aerial Truck at the cost of $1.25 million, purchase of an Engine to replace Engine 3 at the cost of $850,000 and conduct a limited refurbish of Engine 2 within two to three years. The motion was approved with following recorded vote:

Donna Blevins	Absent	Bill Clear	Aye
Brent Foster	Aye	Lewis Shortt	Aye
Julie Sturgill	Aye	P.J. Wolfe	Aye

Motion by Brent Foster, second by Lewis Shortt Council adjourned this meeting at 9:20 p.m. The motion was approved with following recorded vote:

Donna Blevins	Absent	Bill Clear	Aye
Brent Foster	Aye	Lewis Shortt	Aye
Julie Sturgill	Aye	P.J. Wolfe	Aye

_____Mayor
Gary L. Heninger

_____Clerk
Marlene L. Henderson, MMC