

September 05, 2023 Minutes

Pre-council meeting called to order at 6:05 p.m. by Mayor W. Keith Varner at Mulga Town Hall.

Members present: Chandra Gage, Lelan Taylor, Ruth Hamm and Jeremy Davis

Members absent: Lisa Armstrong

Visitors present: Mildred Posey, Brenda Jordan and Susan Sayer

District 5: Nothing

District 4: Proposal for new sign from Reliable Sign Services is \$44,830.00. If we pay in full up front, we would receive approximately \$900.00 discount.

What is going on with the water pressure at the new storm shelter?

Mayor: The pressure at the tap is good.

District 3: Absent

District 2: Nothing

District 1: 124 4th Ave. needs the yard cleaned.

Mayor: We have sent a letter already.

District 1: The drain behind the Vance's is staying clogged up.

Mayor: We need to look at a different drain cover.

District 1: The town needs a police station.

Mayor: We have looked into this. The biggest expense would be the insurance and then we would have to figure out where to house inmates. We could house the either in Adamsville or Jefferson County for a fee. We would also need a court system.

Council meeting called to order at 6:40 p.m. by Mayor Varner

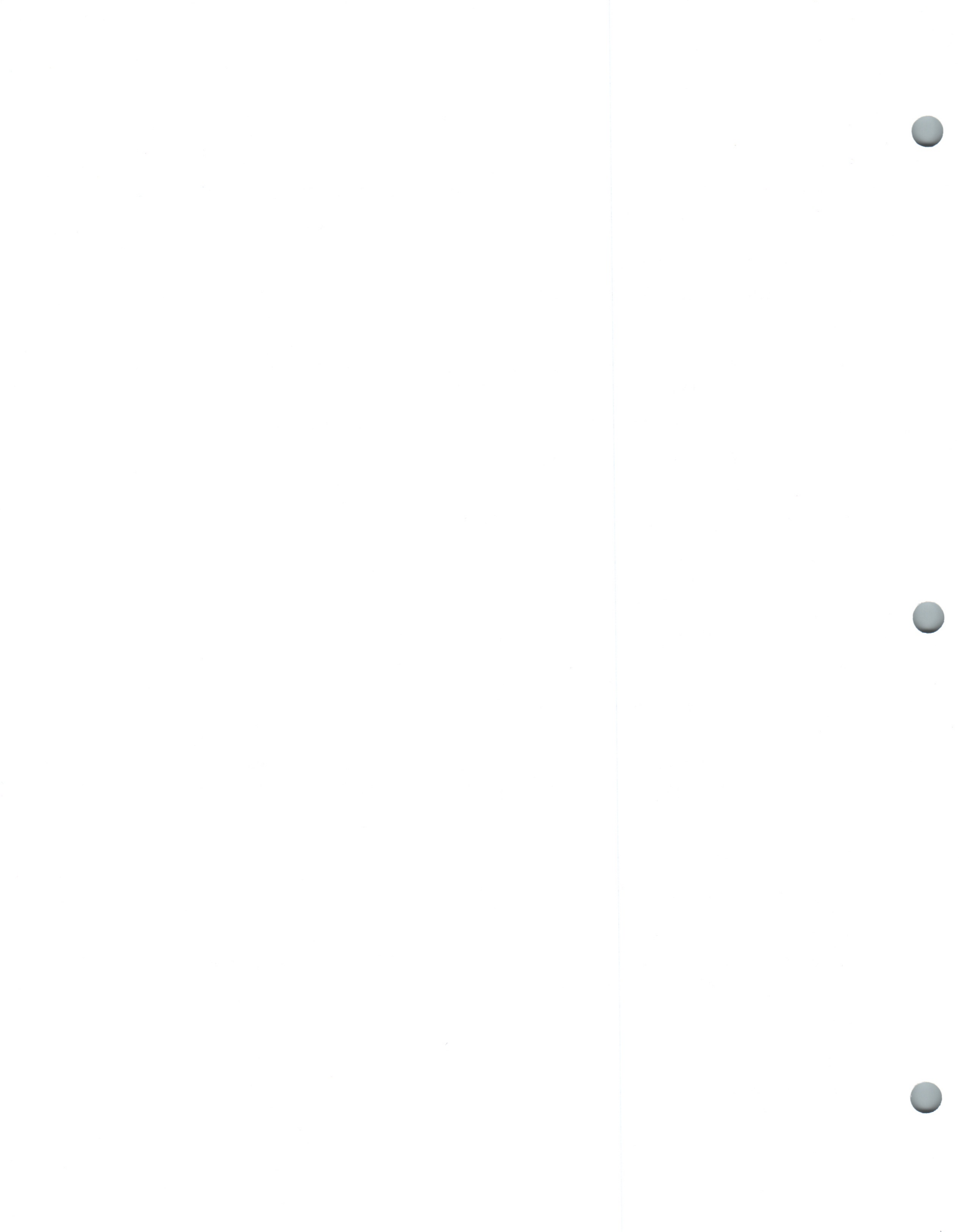
Invocation by Lelan Taylor, followed by The Pledge of Allegiance

Chandra Gage makes a motion to approve the August 15, 2023 minutes as written with a second by Jeremy Davis. Roll call vote:

District 1- Yes

District 2- Yes

District 3- Absent



District 4- Yes

District 5- Yes

Mayor- Yes

District 1: Nothing

District 2: Nothing

District 3: Absent

District 4: We need to make a decision on the purchase of the new sign from Reliable Sign Services.

Mayor: We will have to have a power pole set for this sign. That price is not included in the sign price of \$44,830.00. We will get with Alabama Power to see where to set the power pole and then we will be able to place the sign.

Lelan Taylor makes a motion to purchase the sign from Reliable Sign Services for the purchase price of \$44,830.00 with a 2% discount for paying up front with a check. Second by Jeremy Davis. Roll call vote:

District 1: Yes

District 2: Yes

District 3: Absent

District 4: Yes

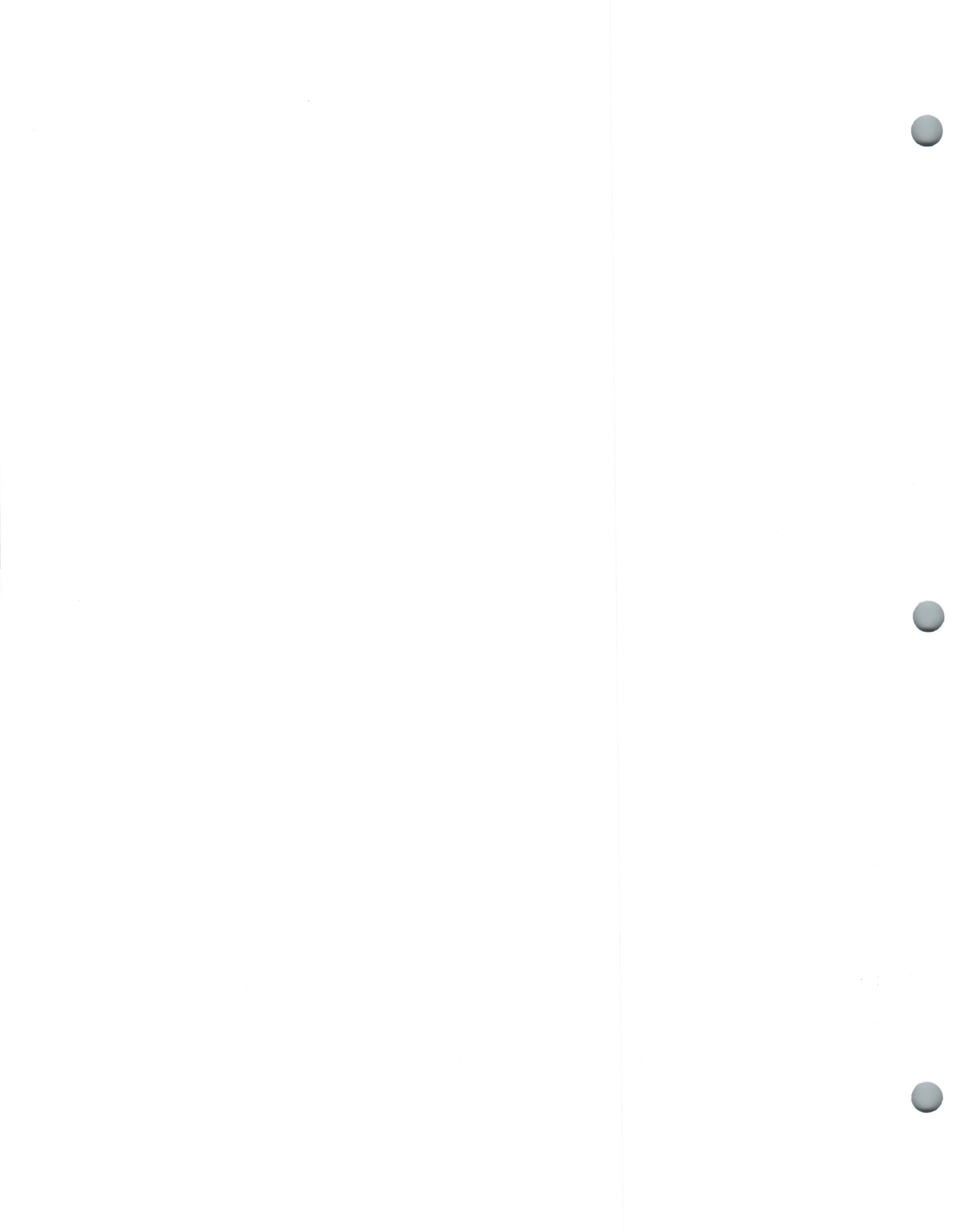
District 5: Yes

Mayor: Yes

District 5: Nothing

Ben: Resolution NO. 2023-16: A resolution authorizing the retention of counsel to file and prosecute a claim and/or action against VTM placement services, Tony Musgrove, and/or responsible parties arising from damage to town property.

Mayor: We had a company to do some boring on 3rd ave. They hit several of our utility lines. These lines were not marked. There was no wire in there to trace and it was a service line that we did not know was there and we still do not know where it went to. This was hit on two different occasions. We fixed them and ate the cost on it. They got down a little further going off of 3rd ave into the Mulga side. They hit a gas line that was marked



and then they hit a water line that was marked. This all happened after hours so everyone that was called to fix the lines were on overtime. We sent a bill to the company for the repairs on the water and gas hit. They sent an email back to us and told us that the lines were not marked and they were not going to pay the bill. We have pictures where the lines were marked. They refuse to pay so we are filing suit against them.

Ben: This resolution authorizes us to file suit.

Lelan Taylor makes a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2023-16. Second by Jeremy Davis. Roll call vote:

District 1: Yes

District 2: Yes

District 3: Absent

District 4: Yes

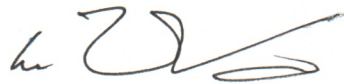
District 5: Yes

Mayor: Yes

Lelan Taylor: At some point we need to be looking for some furniture for the storm shelter.

Lelan Taylor makes a motion to adjourn. Second by Jeremy Davis. All in favor.

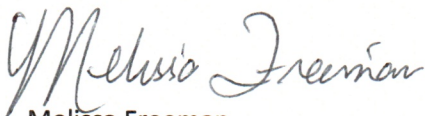
Respectfully Submitted:



W. Keith Varner,

Mayor

Attest:



Melissa Freeman,

Town Clerk

