



# TOWN OF FOWLER

# February 2014

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**TOWN HALL WILL BE CLOSED**

**FEBRUARY 17TH**



## December 30, 2013

The Town Council of the Town of Fowler met in the Town Hall, Fowler, Indiana, on the 30<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2013 at the hour of 12:30 P.M., for a special meeting pursuant to call in accordance with the rules of the Council. The meeting was called to order by Linda Brouillette, who presided. On call of the roll the members of the Council were shown to be present or absent as follows:

**PRESENT: Linda Brouillette, Kathy Schwartz, Pat Claire, Steve Rettig, Fred Byers**

**ABSENT: None**

### Claims and Adjournment

Kathy Schwartz motioned to accept all claims Fred Byers seconded the motion. Motion carried.

With no further business Pat Claire motioned to adjourn with Steve Rettig seconding the motion. Meeting was adjourned.

## January 14, 2014

The Town Council of the Town of Fowler met in the Town Hall, Fowler, Indiana, on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2014 at the hour of 6:00 P.M., for a special meeting pursuant to call in accordance with the rules of the Council. The meeting was called to order by Linda Brouillette, who presided. On call of the roll the members of the Council were shown to be present or absent as follows:

**PRESENT: Linda Brouillette, Kathy Schwartz, Pat Claire, Steve Rettig, Fred Byers**

**ABSENT: None**

### New Business

Ryan Whybrew was here regarding the water plant. He gave the Council 2 quotes for the land survey that has to be done. One quote was from R.W. Gross and Associates and the other from Starr Associates. He also gave the Council 2 quotes from each company for a fly over for the ditch on the north end of town. The Council tabled the quotes for the fly over. Steve Rettig motioned to accept the quote from R.W. Gross and Associates for the land survey in the amount of \$1875.00, Kathy Schwartz seconded the motion. All in favor and motion carried.

Park Board was here to meet with the Council regarding their Budget. The Council reviewed their expenses and balances. The Council asked that one Park Board member attends one Town Council meeting per month. It was agreed that one of them would be there.

### Claims and Adjournment

Kathy Schwartz motioned to accept all claims for January 6, 2014, Steve Rettig seconded the motion. Motion carried.

With no further business Linda Brouillette motioned to adjourn with Pat Claire seconding the motion. Meeting was adjourned.

## January 21, 2014

The Town Council of the Town of Fowler met in the Town Hall, Fowler, Indiana, on the 21<sup>st</sup> day of January, 2014 at the hour of 6:00 P.M., for a meeting pursuant to call in accordance with the rules of the Council. The meeting was called to order by Linda Brouillette, who presided. On call of the roll the members of the Council were shown to be present or absent as follows:

**PRESENT: Linda Brouillette, Kathy Schwartz, Pat Claire, Steve Rettig**

**ABSENT: Fred Byers**

Kathy Schwartz motioned to nominate Linda Brouillette as Council President. Pat Claire seconded the motion, all in favor and motion carried.

Linda Brouillette motioned to nominate Steve Rettig as the Council Vice President. Kathy Schwartz seconded the motion, all in favor and motion carried.

Approval of prior minutes, Steve Rettig motioned to approve the minutes from the special meeting held January 14, 2014, Kathy Schwartz seconded the motion. All in favor and motion carried.

### **Old Business**

Point Services Corporation's invoices were reviewed by the Council. Kathy Schwartz motioned to pay all 3 invoices. Steve Rettig seconded the motion. All in favor and motion carried.

### **New Business**

Appointment of Town Attorney, Pat Claire motioned to retain Jud Barce as the Town Attorney. Linda Brouillette seconded the motion. Steve Rettig and Kathy Schwartz were opposed and Pat Claire and Linda Brouillette voted aye. Pat asked Melissa Williams, Town Clerk-Treasurer for her vote because of the tie. Melissa Williams voted aye for Jud Barce to be retained as the Town Attorney. Motion carried.

Recycling Contract with Benton County, the Council discussed the contract and were in favor of renewing it for another 12 months. Kathy Schwartz motioned to accept the contract for 12 more months with Steve Rettig seconding the motion. All in favor and motion carried.

The Public Safety Tax was discussed. Bryan Berry had approached Linda Brouillette and asked that the Town consider giving back some or all of the tax to the County that the Town receives in order to help with the Ambulance budget. After much discussion Steve Rettig suggested that they table it until they can get more information. Linda Brouillette tabled it.

Appointments to the BZA and Plan Commission, Jeff Copas and Annette Parker were appointed as 2 Town Employee's that were needed for the Plan Commission. Jeff's term will end on January 1, 2018 and Annette's term will end on January 1, 2019. Gerry Parker was appointed as a Democrat member to the Plan Commission and his term will expire on January 1, 2018. Jackie Bowman was appointed to the BZA and her term will expire on January 1, 2018.

Park Board appointments; there are 2 open positions for the Park Board. Laura Burton's term expired and Gerry Parker resigned. Kathy Schwartz motion to appoint Brad Lane to a new term that would end December 21, 2017 and Ashley Schwartz will replace Gerry Parker with her term expiring December 31, 2015. Pat Claire seconded the motion. All in favor and motion carried. The Council suggested that the Park Board ask Kimberlee Tompkins and Laura Burton to be on the advisory board.

Department Head Liaisons were appointed as follows:

Streets and Parks – Steve Rettig

Police – Kathy Schwartz

Sewer – Fred Byers

Fire and Water – Pat Claire

Clerk-Treasurer – Linda Brouillette

Superintendent Appointments were as follows:

Sewer – Alan Leuck

Street Department – John Budreau

Police Chief – Dennis Rice

Fire Chief – Bill Burton

Kathy Schwartz motioned and Steve Rettig seconded the motion to accept Resolution 2014-1 regarding meeting times and payments. All in favor and motion carried.

Kathy Schwartz motioned and Pat Claire seconded the motion to accept Resolution 2014-2 regarding the Visa Card.

Kathy Schwartz motioned to transfer \$121,036.40 to the rainy day fund. Steve Rettig seconded the motion. All in favor and motion carried.

Kathy Schwartz motioned to appoint Bill Burton as the Fire Chief. Pat Claire seconded the motion. Steve Rettig abstained from the vote. Motion carried.

Kathy Schwartz motioned to appoint Brad Lane as the Building Inspector. Linda Brouillette seconded the motion. All in favor and motion carried.

Jud Barce was here with Alan Leuck regarding the sewer ordinance that needs to be in place before February 1, 2014. He presented the ordinance to the Council and explained some of the verbiage. Jud suggested that the Council conditionally accept it prior to the State accepting it. Kathy Schwartz motions to conditionally accept ordinance 2014-1 upon approval of the State. Steve Rettig seconds the motion. All in favor and motion carries.

### **Department Head Updates**

John Budreau, Street Department, informed the Council that he needs new parts for the leaf machine. The parts would be around \$1563.73 and the freight would be between \$150.00 and \$200.00. Kathy Schwartz motions to buy the parts for the leaf machine and Pat Claire seconds the motion. All in favor and motion carries.

John also let the Council know he would be purchasing 1-2 spare cutting edges for the snow plows. He then asked the Council if he could go ahead and advertise for another full time employee. The Council agreed that he could advertise for 2 weeks.

Dennis Rice requested to purchase a new computer and software to replace an out of date one in his office. Pat Claire motioned to allow Dennis to purchase a new computer and software. Kathy Schwartz seconded the motion. All in favor and motion carried.

The Council asked Ryan Whybrew how the plans for the new water plant were coming along. He said that they are pretty much done and he wanted to set up a meeting with the Council to go over those plans. The Council decided to have a Special Meeting on January 30, 2014 at 4:00 p.m. to go over the plans.

The Council discussed the full page ad in the Benton Review Fact Book. It was decided to go ahead with the ad and to contact Laura Burton to see if she could redesign the page.

### **Claims and Adjournment**

Kathy Schwartz motioned to accept all claims for January 21, 2014, Steve Rettig seconded the motion. Motion carried.

With no further business Linda Brouillette motioned to adjourn with Steve Rettig seconding the motion. Meeting was adjourned.

## **FOWLER LITTLE LEAGUE BASEBALL**

Open to Benton County residents wanting to play summer baseball. Any child that turns age 4 on or before April 30, 2014 and is not older than age 12.

12U, 10U, and 8U teams will be scheduling local area teams to play  
( Local travel will be less than 30 miles away )

Tee ball teams will play an interleague schedule

**Registration Dates:** Wed., February 19th from 6-8pm at the Fowler Fire Station

Sat., February 22nd from 9 - 11am at the Fowler Fire Station

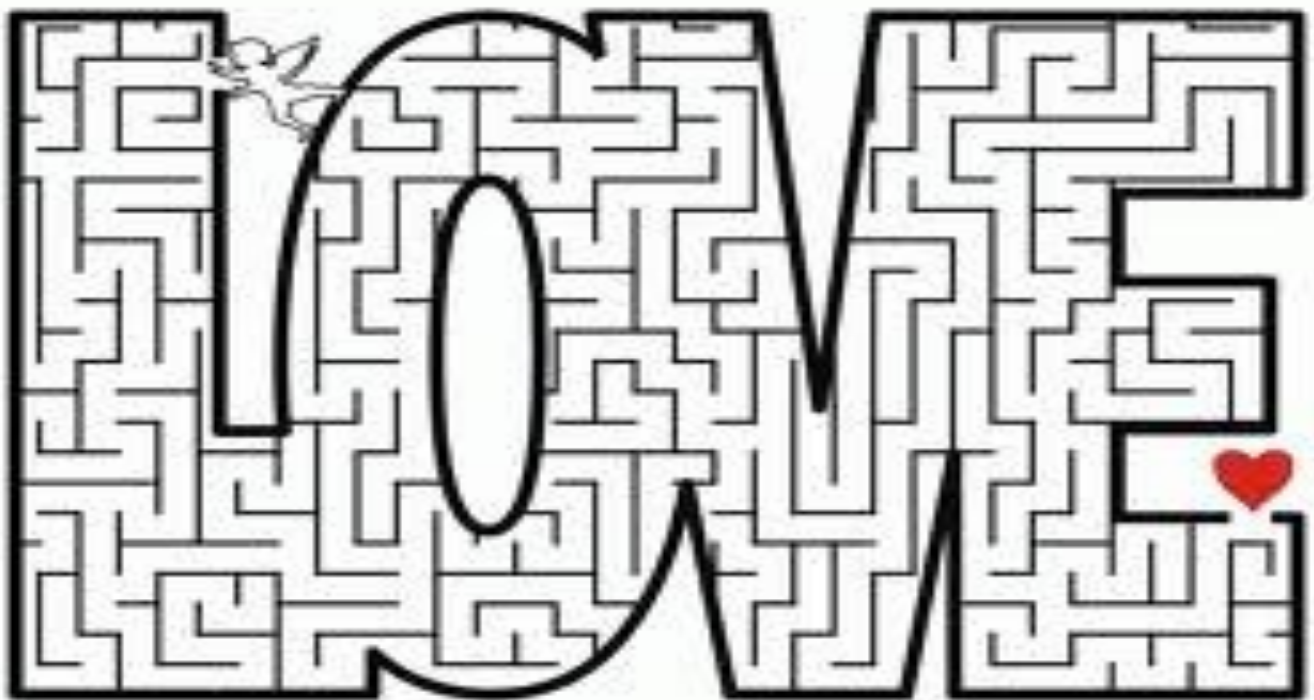
**Cost:** 12U and 10U - \$65 per player, \$55 for 2nd child, \$150 family max

Tee Ball - \$45 per player, \$120 family max

Please call one of the following with your questions

Tom Hoff 765.401.6141 or Patrick Thurston 765.918.3379

Visit us at [www.facebook.com/fowlerlittleleaguebaseball](http://www.facebook.com/fowlerlittleleaguebaseball)



**We would like to thank the Town Employee's for all the hours of hard work and dedication in keeping the streets and alleys clean with all of the snow we have had in 2014. You are all much appreciated!!**

**John Budreau**

**Alan Leuck**

**Jr. Muthig**

**Jeff Copas**

**Nate Besse**



**Mike Cain**

*Thank You!*

# February 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1
2 Groundhog Day	3 Town Council Meeting 6:00 p.m.	4	5 Trash Pick-up	6 Recycle pick-up	7	8
9	10 Water Bill Due	11	12 Trash Pick-up	13 Recycle pick-up	14	15
16	17 President's Day TOWN HALL CLOSED	18 Town Council Meeting 6:00 p.m.	19 Trash Pick-up	20 Recycle pick-up	21	22
23	24 Disconnect Day	25	26 Trash Pick-up	27 Recycle pick-up	28	

**1st-3rd.** Rain, snow.

**4th-7th.** More rain, snow.

**8th-11th.** Occasional snow flurries.

**12th-15th.** Unseasonably cold weather. Wintry mix extends into Ohio Valley.

**16th-19th.** Residual snow showers, flurries.

**20th-23rd.** Snow Ohio Valley, points south.

**24th-28th.** Cloudy, with some snow Great Lakes; wintry mix Ohio Valley.







# March 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2	3 <i>Town Council Meeting 6:00 p.m.</i>	4	5 <i>Trash Pick-up</i>	6 <i>Recycle Pick-up</i>	7	8
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23/30	24/31 <i>Disconnect Day 24th</i>	25	26 <i>Trash Pick-up</i>	27 <i>Recycle Pick-up</i>	28	29

- 1st-3rd.** Increasing clouds, breezy.
- 4th-7th.** Turning much colder, rain turning to snow.
- 8th-11th.** Changeable skies.
- 12th-15th.** Very cold, but dry.
- 16th-19th.** Storm moves from Plains to Great Lakes bringing rain and snow.
- 20th-23rd.** Variable cloudiness; storm moving north along East Coast chance of rain, wet snow eastern Kentucky, Ohio.



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