

March 2, 2015

The Town Council of the Town of Fowler met in the Town Hall, Fowler, Indiana, on the 2nd day of March, 2015 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, Pat Claire, Steve Rettig, Kathy Schwartz

ABSENT: Laura Lee

Meeting called to order by Linda Brouillette.

Disconnect Hearing – No one present. Pat Claire motions to move forward with disconnect.

Steve Rettig seconds the motion. All in favor and motion carried.

Approval of prior minutes, Kathy Schwartz motions to accept the minutes from February 17th with Pat Claire seconding the motion. All in favor and motion carried.

Unfinished Business

Ordinance 2015-1 was approved in the February 17th meeting. Council signed the Ordinance.

The job descriptions for MVH have been turned in but the Council still needs the employee reviews. The wastewater plant needs to turn in job descriptions. Alan has a job description for the Operator but not for the Superintendent. The water department is complete. The Police Chief turned in job descriptions but they still need employee reviews. The Clerk-Treasurer turned in job descriptions but the Council is still waiting on employee reviews and the 10 year plan.

New Business

Approval of construction invoices – Ryan Whybrew told the Council he is fine with the amount that Thieneman billed. He also told the Council that him and Nate have talked and Nate will hold off on flushing hydrants since the filters in the old plant are in bad shape. Kathy Schwartz motioned to approve the construction invoices with Steve Rettig seconding the motion. All in favor and motion carried. Ryan also said that he doesn't think that Thienemen will meet the April 1st date now because of some problems with sub-contractors. There will also be some modifications done in the plumbing because of the backflow. Well house #9 quote from Thienemen was for \$44,000.00 to tear down and build a new building. After some discussion the Council decided not to do anything with the building at this time.

Ann Hocking was in attendance regarding rusty water. She said several of her neighbors have rusty water also. They were wondering how long before the new plant is done and will her bill go up because of it. The Council said it should be up and running sometime in April and there would not be an increase in her water bill.

The contract for Keystone maintenance was reviewed by the Council. Pat Claire motioned to accept the contract and Kathy Schwartz seconded the motion. All in favor and motion carried.

Department Head Updates

Nate presented Ordinance 2015-2, which is an amendment to Ordinance 2012-5. He explained what he would like to change in it. He would like to eliminate the application fee and to change the testing from semi-annual to annual. Pat Claire motioned to accept Ordinance 2015-2 and the application for back flow. Kathy Schwartz seconded the motion. All in favor and motion carried.

Laura Burton emailed a flyer to the Council for the Easter Egg Hunt and asked that they approve a budget of \$1,000.00. Steve Rettig motioned to approve the \$1,000.00 budget with Kathy Schwartz seconding the motion. All in favor and motion carried.

Alan Leuck let the Council know that he only needs one more sample from Holscher Products to finish his annual report.

Miscellaneous Business

Linda Brouillette has looked over the bank reconciliations for the month of December 2014 and January 2015. There were some differences and the notes for them are written at the bottom of each page. She would like for the Clerk-Treasurer to go over them and give a written explanation to the Council at the next meeting.

Steve Rettig informed the Council that the park board had a meeting tonight and there are funds that they would like to have moved because there is no need for them. The park board would like to move funds 306, 307 and 405 to fund 206. Kathy Schwartz motions to move the \$4706.82 from funds 306,307 and 405 to fund 206 if it is approved by the State Board of Accounts.

Brad Lane informed the Council that the grant has come out for the housing project. There are things that need to worked out and he would like to have a work session with the Council. The Council set the work session for March 19th at 5:15 p.m.

Claims

Steve Rettig questioned the payment to the IRS. Melissa explained that the wrong quarter was selected on a couple of payments. The IRS has been contacted and asked to switch the

quarters however they sent a letter saying they needed 60 days to get back with the Town about it.

Kathy Schwartz motions to approve the claims with the exception of moving the EJP payment on APV # 5007 from water to storm water. Steve Rettig seconds the motion. All in favor and motion carried.

Sign off sheet for reports was signed by the Council.

Adjournment

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

Approved:

Linda Brouillette, Presiding Officer

Attest:

Melissa Kidwell, Clerk-Treasurer