

April 20, 2015

The Town Council of the Town of Fowler met in the Town Hall, Fowler, Indiana, on the 20th day of April, 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, Laura Lee

ABSENT: None

Meeting called to order by Linda Brouillette.

Approval of Prior Minutes

Steve Rettig motioned to accept the minutes from April 6th with Kathy Schwartz seconding the motion. All in favor and motion carried.

Unfinished Business

Transfer of funds for park – It was determined that the funds could only be transferred to the General Fund or Rainy Day Fund. Kathy Schwartz motions to move \$3030.03 from the Playground Fund and \$732.79 from the Recycled Furniture Fund to the Rainy Day Fund for the Park. Pat Claire seconds the motion. All in favor and motion carried.

Laura Burton gave the Council a copy of the budget for the Easter Egg Hunt. She said that everything went really well and the weather was great. The total cost came to \$659.16. She mentioned that she would like to purchase a megaphone for events instead of borrowing the fire departments all of the time but she would get back with the Council about that. The 4th of July celebration will be on the 3rd and 4th with the fireworks being on the 4th. She would like to have the bands and a beer garden this year again with the 100 Mile House taking care of the beer garden. She also would like to do a dinner that night to get more people there. She asked if the Council had any ideas she would appreciate it. Laura also asked the Council about the stage. They said that they believe they will be going with a more permanent one but they are still waiting on estimates for it.

New Business

Dennis Rice gave the Council prices for a new car. He got 4 different quotes. Kathy Schwartz motioned to purchase the Ford from Bartlett Ford in the amount of \$25,118.00 with Pat Claire seconding the motion. All in favor and motion carried. There was discussion on how to get rid of the old car. It was suggested to maybe try an online auction like Ebay.

Dennis also brought up the pay raise of Lee Klemme and Adam Naughton. He asked for a raise for Lee at the last meeting but he was wrong on the Class he should have been moved to. He explained to the Council that Lee and Adam both should have moved to 1st Class patrolmen in 2014 and he failed to realize that. Pat Claire motioned to move Lee to 1st Class and Adam to 1st Class. Motion died.

Kathy Schwartz motions to move both officers to 1st class and their pay raise to be retroactive to their anniversary date in 2014. Pat Claire seconded the motion. Steve Rettig opposed and all others in favor. Motion carried.

There was 1 bid submitted for the street paving. The bid from Milestone was read aloud by John Budreau. Kathy Schwartz motioned to accept the bid from Milestone with Pat Claire seconding the motion. All in favor and motion carried.

Kathy Schwartz motions to pay for the permit for Homeland Security. This was paid earlier with approval through email. Pat Claire seconds the motion. All in favor and motion carried.

Linda Brouillette asked the public in attendance if they had any ideas on a name for the Senior Housing that will be going up on the old school lot. The Council also asked for public input on the Town's Facebook page. Those ideas and ideas from those in attendance at the meeting were discussed. The Council made decided on High School Heights for the name.

Kathy Schwartz motioned to pay the invoice of \$1,172.20 from World View Automation from the Clerk's equipment fund. Pat Claire seconded the motion. All in favor and motion carried.

Department Head Updates

Nate Besse has the Emergency Response Plan ready for the Council. Pat Claire motions to accept the Water Emergency Contingency Plan dated April 20, 2015. Kathy Schwartz seconds the motion. All in favor and motion carried.

Ryan Whybrew submitted Change Order #3 to the Council. Kathy Schwartz motions to accept the Change Order with Laura Lee seconding the motion. All in favor and motion carried. Ryan also informed the Council that he is pushing for startup tomorrow.

Nate Besse brought up well # 10 needing repaired. Kathy Schwartz motions to go ahead and schedule the well repair with Peerless. Pat Claire seconded the motion. All in favor and motion carried.

Alan Leuck, a letter was in the Council's packet that he had sent to Holscher Products. Alan said he hand delivered the letters to them. He asked the Council to allow Dave Whybrew to

go through Holscher Products with him so that they can work together on a solution. Council stated that if Dave and Casey are in agreement then he should go ahead with it.

Pat Claire thanked the Fire Department for cleaning off the streets and sidewalks.

Claims

Kathy Schwartz motions to approve the claims with the additional receipt of \$16.94 to the Fowler IGA. Pat Claire 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 Laura Lee seconding the motion. Meeting was adjourned.

Approved:

Linda Brouillette, Presiding Officer

Attest:

Melissa Kidwell, Clerk-Treasurer