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DATE: AUGUST 13, 2012

The Fowler Village Council met Monday, August 13, 2012 at 7:00 PM with President Vern Thelen presiding.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND ROLL CALL

The pledge of allegiance was given to the flag. Roll was called and a quorum reported. Present were: Roy Smith, Rick Fink, Jim Braman, John Childers, David Klein, Greg Halfmann, and Rhonda Feldpausch. Absent: John Rademacher.

VILLAGE PERSONNEL

Vern Feldpausch.

VISITORS

Sergeant Kyle Knight – Clinton County Sheriff Department, Ken and Kathy Farley, Elwood and Cheryl Wilkins, Dave Pohl-Clinton County Commissioner and Mike Feldpausch.

AGENDA

Additions to the Agenda: Clinton County - Wind Turbine Permit and Disconnection of Utility Service Due to Late Payments

MINUTES

BOARD ACTION: Trustee Fink moved, supported by Trustee Childers, to approve the agenda as amended. Motion carried.

BILLS

BOARD ACTION: Trustee Klein moved, supported by Trustee Smith, to approve payment of \$40,749.60 from the General Fund, \$1,529.46 from the Water O & M Fund, \$135.12 from the Major Street Fund and \$28,166.01 from the Sanitary Sewer O & M Fund. Motion carried.

ZONING PERMITS

BOARD ACTION: Trustee Fink moved, supported by Trustee Childers, to approve Zoning Permit #AB-2012-04 submitted by Mark & Melinda Halfmann. Motion carried.

CLINTON COUNTY SHERIFF

Sergeant Kyle Knight on minor local activities.

TREASURER REPORT

BOARD ACTION: Trustee Fink moved, supported by Trustee Childers, to accept the Treasurer's report as presented. Motion carried.

PLANNING COMMISSION

Met August 13 regarding a Site Plan Review Application submitted by Wieber Lumber.

DPW REPORT

Vern Feldpausch, DPW Supervisor, reported on the following issues:

- Asphaltting
- Tree removal
- Sewer cleaning
- Water main valve preventative maintenance
- Sidewalk on N. Main Street
- Storm Drain on N. Main Street
- Main sewer plant and dump site cleaning

ELWOOD WILKINS-ZONING PERMIT

Elwood and Cheryl Wilkins, along with builder Mike Feldpausch, were present to discuss the denial of an accessory building zoning permit. The permit was denied because the building was not located entirely in the rear yard and it did not comply with the maximum height requirement of 18'. A variance application will be submitted and a public hearing will be scheduled as early as regulations will allow.

STORM SEWER POLICY

BOARD ACTION: Trustee Klein moved, supported by Trustee Fink, to change the current storm sewer installation and repair policy to read the following:

- Storm sewer replacement 0% property owner cost and 100% village cost
- Storm sewer new installation 100% property owner cost and 0% village cost

Motion carried.

WIND TURBINE PERMIT

BOARD ACTION: Trustee Klein moved, supported by Trustee Fink, to support Dallas Township in their efforts to protect the four square miles surrounding the village for future development area when considering wind turbine permits. Motion carried.

DISCONNECTIOBN OF UTILITY SERVICE DUE TO LATE PAYMENT

The Code of Ordinances was reviewed and was found to read, in part, as follows: "That if any bill is not paid by or before the date set for on the bill, a second bill will be mailed containing a cutoff notice that if the bill is not paid within three months of the original due date, service will be discontinued for nonpayment."

EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK

Work in progress.

DOWNTOWN REVITALIZATION PROJECT

Work in progress.

MATCHING FUNDS PROGRAM

Council was presented with the review from Jim Foulds, Community Planning Services, regarding the Matching Funds Program.

DAVE POHL – CLINTON COUNTY COMMISSIONER

Dave Pohl – Clinton County Commissioner reported the following:

- Wind Turbines: Send comments or attend the County Planning Committee meeting scheduled for the second Thursday of September.
- Clean Community Event: Planned for August 25th in DeWitt.
- Eagle Mobile Home Park: Court date to end dispute over the owner's ability to bring in used homes.
- Rails to Trails: The County Commissioners voted to contribute \$15,000.00 to the bike trail being constructed through Clinton County.
- Central Dispatch: Currently interviewing for a new Director.
- Law Enforcement Communication System: New tower in the southwest corner of the county is up and should be operational in September. Next tower to be constructed will be in the southeast corner of the county.
- Road Commission: County Commissioners voted to give \$100,000.00 to the road commission to purchase plow extensions. One was tested last year and was found to reduce the number of passes plow trucks needed to clear a road. Road Commission employees also were given a 1% cash bonus.

CORRESPONDENCE

None.

10 MINUTE OPEN DISCUSSION

- Rhonda Feldpausch will contact Abraham and Gaffney regarding internal controls training opportunities
- Ken Farley reported that the car show was successful and plans are in place for a car show on July 25, 2013.

ADJOURNMENT

BOARD ACTION: Trustee Childers moved, supported by Trustee Fink, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

Adjournment: 9:15 PM

Rhonda Feldpausch, Village Clerk