

# FOWLER VILLAGE COUNCIL



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DATE: April 13, 2015

The Fowler Village Council met Monday, April 13, 2015 at 7:00 PM with President Vernon J. 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: Rick Fink, Mike Porter, Greg Halfmann, John Rademacher, John Childers, David Klein, and Rhonda Feldpausch. Absent: Roy Smith.

VILLAGE PERSONNEL

Vern Feldpausch.

VISITORS

Ken and Kathy Farley, Devon Elsea –Miller’s Tavern, Shelly Mueller – Becker Bridal, Randy Theis – Theis Party Store, and Dave Pohl – Clinton County Commissioner.

AGENDA

Addition to the Agenda: Equipment Bids – Compact Tractor

MINUTES

**BOARD ACTION:** Trustee Fink moved, supported by Trustee Childers, to approve the minutes of the March 16, 2015 regular meeting as presented. Motion carried.

BILLS

**BOARD ACTION:** Trustee Klein moved, supported by Trustee Fink, to approve payment of \$30,940.58 from the General Fund, \$2,833.58 from the Water O & M Fund, \$365.00 from the Major Street Fund, and \$738.19 from the Sanitary O & M. Motion carried.

ZONING PERMITS

None.

CLINTON COUNTY SHERIFF

No one present.

TREASURER REPORT

**BOARD ACTION:** Trustee Fink moved, supported by Trustee Childers, to approve the Treasurer’s report. Motion carried.

PLANNING COMMISSION

Nothing to report.

DPW REPORT

Vern Feldpausch reported on the following issues:

- Meter replacement
- Hydrant flushing
- M-21 Drain Project and road closures
- Lagoon cell #2 discharge 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>
- Prep for lawn work and begin lawn work
- Downtown project
- Crack Sealing
- Well #6 maintenance scheduled for 2016 done this year and well #8 project will be postponed until 2016
- Phosphorus level compliance deadline is March, 2016

DOWNTOWN REVITALIZATION PROJECT

Business owners Devon Elsea, Shelly Mueller and Randy Theis were present for questions regarding the type of concrete being installed, the cost to the owners and a schedule. Shelly Mueller suggested we consider an aggregate application similar to what was done in the Village of Lyons. Further research will be done. A letter with a cost estimate will be sent to all property owners affected by the project. Street sweeping was discussed and Rhonda Feldpausch reported findings of an average occurrence of 2 times per year after polling several surround communities. Railing installation will not take place until project is complete and has cured for approximately one week. Research regarding the need for additional markings on the step on the west side of the street will be done.

FRAUD RISK MANAGEMENT POLICY	Work in progress.
ITC – NOTICE OF SAFETY RISK	Community Developers, Inc has provided house plans for lot #104 and Lot #93 to ITC for review. The projected review completion date is April 20, 2015.
RAILS TO TRAILS TRAIL HEAD	Council has instructed Rhonda Feldpausch to work on getting drawings done for the building.
EQUIPMENT BIDS – COMPACT TRACTOR	<b><u>BOARD ACTION:</u></b> Trustee Fink moved, supported by Trustee Childers, to approve the \$20,100.00 bid from Bader & Sons Co. for a John Deere 3033R. Motion carried.
HOOK UP FEES – WATER	<b><u>BOARD ACTION:</u></b> Trustee Fink moved, supported by Trustee Porter, to amend the Fee Schedule for 2" commercial water hook up to be \$2,500.00 plus cost of meter. Change effective retroactive to January 1, 2015. Motion carried.
LAND DIVISION PROCESS	<b><u>BOARD ACTION:</u></b> Trustee Klein moved, supported by Trustee Porter, to designate the Dallas Township Supervisor as the Land Division Enforcement Officer. Motion Carried.
WELCOME SIGNS	The welcome signs will be put on hold until 2016.
CONSUMERS ENERGY STREETLIGHT RESOLUTION	The Consumers Energy Streetlight Resolution will be held until the May meeting for further clarification.
SPRING CLEAN UP EVENT	The Spring Clean Up Event is scheduled for May 9, 2015 beginning at 7:00 AM.
GAPS SIGN	Work in progress.
DAVE POHL – CLINTON COUNTY COMMISSIONER	Dave Pohl – Clinton County Commissioner reported on the following topics: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CIS Rails to Trail Ribbon Cutting on April 18, 2015</li> <li>• Equestrian use prohibited on CIS trail</li> <li>• Clean community event at Clinton County Road Commission April 25, 2015</li> <li>• Clinton County is looking for property in southern Clinton County for project similar to Motz Park</li> </ul>
CORRESPONDENCE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Vern &amp; Bonnie Thelen</li> <li>• GAPS</li> </ul>
10 MINUTE OPEN DISCUSSION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Possibility of sign indicating Fowler business on trail at Bauer Rd. and Tallman Rd.</li> </ul>
ADJOURNMENT	<b><u>BOARD ACTION:</u></b> Trustee Porter moved, supported by Trustee Childers, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried  Meeting adjourned at 8:51 PM.

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Rhonda Feldpausch, Village Clerk