

FOWLER VILLAGE COUNCIL



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DATE: AUGUST 11, 2014

The Fowler Village Council met Monday, August 11, 2014 at 7:10 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, Roy Smith, Greg Halfmann, John Rademacher, John Childers, and Rhonda Feldpausch. Absent: David Klein and Mike Porter.

VILLAGE PERSONNEL

Vern Feldpausch.

VISITORS

Sgt. Kyle Knight – Clinton County Sheriff, Ken and Kathy Farley.

AGENDA

Addition to the Agenda: ITC – Notice of Safety Risk and Easement Interference

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

MINUTES

BOARD ACTION: Trustee Smith moved, supported by Trustee Fink, to approve the minutes of the July 14, 2014 regular meeting as presented. Motion carried.

BILLS

BOARD ACTION: Trustee Fink moved, supported by Trustee Smith, to approve payment of \$38,780.97 from the General Fund, \$42,740.53 from the Water O & M Fund, and \$1,667.93 from the Sanitary O & M. Motion carried.

ZONING PERMITS

BOARD ACTION: Trustee Fink moved, supported by Trustee Childers, to approve Zoning Permit #AB2014-03A (revision of #AB2014-03) submitted by Dale & Dana Schafer, #AB2014-05 submitted by Chris (Becky) Thelen and #AB2014-04 submitted by Glenn and Lauren Simon. Motion carried.

CLINTON COUNTY SHERIFF

Sergeant Kyle Knight presented the monthly stats report. Sergeant Knight was asked to provide information regarding the legal use of golf carts on village streets to be presented at the September meeting. Use of quads on Rails-to-Trails will be monitored by Conservation Officers.

TREASURER REPORT

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

PLANNING COMMISSION

The August Planning Commission meeting was cancelled and moved to September.

DPW REPORT

Vern Feldpausch reported on the following issues:

- Detention basin work west side of town is complete
- Valve preventative maintenance
- Street sign installation
- M-21 Drain Project
- Sidewalks
- Hydrant Replacements
- Storm drain maintenance
- Sanitary manhole inspections
- Oversee GAPS construction, water/sewer storm installation, and Edgewood Drive Extension
- Spot asphaltting
- Sewer lining
- Lagoon algae issue may require professional treatment

DOWNTOWN REVITALIZATION PROJECT

BOARD ACTION: Trustee Fink moved, supported by Trustee Childers to adopt Resolution #RES2014-07 Performance Guarantee Resolution for Governmental Agency which is necessary as part of the permitting process for work on Second Street (M-21). Motion carried.

BOARD ACTION: Trustee Fink moved, supported by Trustee Smith, to adopt Resolution #RES2014-08 which reads as follows:
WHEREAS the Village has commissioned the engineering firm of Lockwood, Andrews, and Newman, Inc., to perform a study of the sidewalks in the downtown area regarding their condition for public safety purposes; and
WHEREAS an engineering study has been made and a report given to the Village Council with recommendation for removal of worn and otherwise damaged sidewalks, and for their replacement; and
IT IS THE INTENT of the Village Council to attend to the removal and replacement of the sidewalks under consideration;
NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that the Council authorizes the removal and replacement of certain sidewalks in the downtown area, pursuant to the recommendations and plans as prepared by the engineering firm on behalf of the Village, and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that to the extent that sidewalks encompass property privately owned as well as being situated on public property, the Village shall acquire permanent easements from the property owners granting the Village the right to remove, replace, and repair portion of sidewalks on their property adjoining sidewalks on public property; and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that funds for the payment of the cost of these sidewalk improvements shall be borne by the Village of Fowler. Motion carried.

BOARD ACTION: Trustee Fink moved, supported by Trustee Childers, to approve Midstate Title Agency title search fees for properties on east side of downtown Main Street not to exceed \$525.00. Motion carried.

BOARD ACTION: Trustee Childers moved, supported by Trustee Fink to accept bids from Miller Brothers Excavating and KDL Concrete for downtown sidewalk replacement project not to exceed \$150,000.00. Motion carried.

WELCOME SIGNS

Work in progress.

ITC – NOTICE OF SAFETY RISK EASEMENT

ITC, which owns the power lines and poles that run east and west on the north side of Tyler Drive, have contacted Community Developers Inc. with a safety and easement encroachment concern. The primary focus is property north of Tyler Drive in Country Pines Subdivision. Community Developers, Inc. and ITC will work to resolve the issue and the Village of Fowler will be kept informed as the parties work towards a resolution.

FRAUD RISK MANAGEMENT POLICY

Work in progress.

CORRESPONDENCE

Border Energy
Clinton County GIS Services
Kate Neese – Clinton County Waste Management

10 MINUTE OPEN DISCUSSION

- Dog droppings on sidewalk on northwest corner of Clinton Street and Main Street
- Roy Smith will not be running for his Trustee position in November
- Location of Neil Feldpausch’s driveway on Tyler Drive, Country Pines Subdivision
- Update on car show

ADJOURNMENT

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:52 PM.

Rhonda Feldpausch, Village Clerk