



FOWLER VILLAGE COUNCIL

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DATE: MARCH 11, 2013

The Fowler Village Council met Monday, March 11, 2013 at 7:00 PM with President 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: David Klein, Rick Fink, Roy Smith, John Rademacher, and John Childers. Absent: Greg Halfmann, Rhonda Feldpausch, and Jim Braman.

VILLAGE PERSONNEL

Vern Feldpausch.

VISITORS

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

AGENDA

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

MINUTES

BOARD ACTION: Trustee Smith moved, supported by Trustee Fink, to approve the minutes of the February 11, 2013 Regular Meeting as presented. Motion carried.

BILLS

BOARD ACTION: Trustee Fink moved, supported by Trustee Childers, to approve payment of \$26,231.59 from the General Fund, \$1,654.91 from the Water O & M Fund, and \$510.61 from the Sanitary Sewer O & M Fund. Motion carried.

ZONING PERMITS

None.

CLINTON COUNTY SHERIFF

Sergeant Kyle Knight reported on a larceny report on Norway drive, an incident on W. Second St. and unlicensed vehicle in water tower parking lot

TREASURER REPORT

An updated budget report was distributed.

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

PLANNING COMMISSION

The Planning Commission will continue to review the Village of Fowler Master Plan.

DPW REPORT

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

- Meter replacements
- Snow removal
- State of Michigan water usage report
- Tree cutting along lagoons
- Cross connection program
- Bid work for 2013
- Meter reading
- Valve replacement Country Pines
- Consumers confidence report
- Sewer lining price drop
- Asset list update
- Summer help application deadline 3-15-13

BOARD ACTION: Trustee Smith moved, supported by Trustee Fink, to approve an hourly rate of \$10.00 for summer help position. Motion carried.

DOWNTOWN REVITALIZATION PROJECT

Work in progress.

CONSUMERS ENERGY STREET LIGHT CHANGE RESOLUTION

BOARD ACTION: Trustee Fink moved, supported by Trustee Childers, to table action on Consumers Energy Street Light Change Resolution indefinitely. Motion carried.

BUY/SELL AGREEMENT AMENDMENT – AMBULANCE AUTHORITY

BOARD ACTION: Trustee Childers moved, supported by Trustee Fink, to approve the amended buy/sell agreement for the Clinton Area Ambulance Authority which addresses an environmental study requirement. Motion carried.

CLINTON AREA AMBULANCE SERVICE AUTHORITY PROPERTY PURCHASE RESOLUTION

BOARD ACTION: Trustee Fink moved, supported by Trustee Klein, to adopt the following Resolution:

VILLAGE OF FOWLER
Clinton County, State of Michigan
Resolution #RES2013-01

Resolution to Authorize Clinton Area Ambulance Service Authority to Purchase Property

WHEREAS, The Village of Fowler is a municipality which is a member of the Clinton Area Ambulance Service Authority (hereafter referred to as CAASA); and,

WHEREAS, CAASA has rented office space from the County of Clinton in the State of Michigan (hereafter referred to as Clinton County) for many years; and,

WHEREAS, Clinton County is looking to sell the office building and land on which the CAASA garage sits, commonly known as 1001 and 1005 South Oakland, St. Johns, Michigan, 48879; and,

WHEREAS, The CAASA board members have recommended the purchase of said office building; and,

WHEREAS, The CAASA location is located adjacent to Sparrow Clinton Hospital which is an ideal location for the CAASA service; and,

WHEREAS, Seeking garage and office space elsewhere would be at a much greater cost than purchase of the existing facility from Clinton County; and,

WHEREAS, The Articles of Incorporation of CAASA requires that all member municipalities approve, by resolution, approval for CAASA to seek financing for such acquisition.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Fowler Village Council does hereby approve of CAASA to enter into an agreement with Clinton County and to seek financing for the purchase of the property described above.

Roll call vote: R. Smith – aye, J. Childers – aye, V. Thelen – aye, R. Fink – aye, D. Klein – aye. Motion carried.

SPRING CLEAN UP

The council is in favor of proceeding with a spring clean up in 2013. Cost information will be presented at the next meeting for approval.

EQUIPMENT BIDS

BOARD ACTION: Trustee Fink moved, supported by Trustee Childers, to purchase a generator for the sewer plant from Bridgeway Cummins for \$22,040.00. Motion carried.

BOARD ACTION: Trustee Fink moved, supported by Trustee Childers, to award Insituform 2013 sewer lining work for approximately \$45,000.00. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

None.

10 MINUTE OPEN DISCUSSION

- Audit training – need training to double check audit report and anti-fraud, anti-theft and anti-corruption policy
- Car show scheduled for 7-25-13 and will require road block from M-21 to Clinton Street

ADJOURNMENT

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

Adjournment: 7:45 PM

Rhonda Feldpausch, Village Clerk