



FOWLER VILLAGE COUNCIL

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DATE: SEPTEMBER 14, 2015

The Fowler Village Council met Monday, September 14, 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: John Childers, David Klein, Rick Fink, Mike Porter, John Rademacher, Greg Halfmann, Roy Smith, and Rhonda Feldpausch. Absent: None.

VILLAGE PERSONNEL

Vern Feldpausch.

VISITORS

Kathy Farley, Nick Farley, Dave Pohl.

AGENDA

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

MINUTES

BOARD ACTION: Trustee Klein moved, supported by Trustee Smith, to approve the minutes of the August 10, 2015 regular meeting as presented. Motion carried.

BILLS

BOARD ACTION: Trustee Klein moved, supported by Trustee Porter, to approve payment of \$66,138.62 from the General Fund, \$50,789.54 from the Water O & M Fund, \$1,424.29 from the Sanitary O & M Fund. Motion carried.

ZONING PERMITS

None.

CLINTON COUNTY SHERIFF

Sgt Clarke was present. Installation of speed limit signs in the subdivision and golf carts were discussed.

TREASURER REPORT

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

PLANNING COMMISSION

No new business.

DPW REPORT

Vern Feldpausch reported on the following issues:

- Valve P.M.
- Recycle site clean up
- Meter replacements
- Lagoon maintenance
- Meter reading
- Catch basin cleaning
- New contractor for sewer lining has been contacted

MURAL

BOARD ACTION: Trustee Fink moved, supported by Trustee Childers, to approve the \$2893.49 estimate from M & H Electric for camera equipment. Motion carried.

BOARD ACTION: Trustee Klein moved, supported by Trustee Smith, to approve the \$150.00 estimate from Nobach Creative to provide a professional, digital image of the mural. Motion carried.

The unveiling of the mural is scheduled for October 3, 2015 at noon. There will be a hotdog lunch provided.

FRAUD RISK MANAGEMENT POLICY

Work in progress.

TREE ORDINANCE

After further discussion, President Vern Thelen will draft a letter to be sent to the property owner regarding the dead tree.

VILLAGE ATTORNEY DAN MATSON

Village attorney, Dan Matson, has announced his retirement. Mr. Matson has provided information regarding his replacement at the City of DeWitt. The City interviewed several candidates and has chosen Brian Goodenough of Foster Swift Collins and Smith as Mr.

Matson's replacement. Rhonda Feldpausch will contact Mr. Goodenough to discuss his interest in serving as legal counsel for the Village of Fowler.

CLINTON COUNTY WASTE MANAGEMENT RESOLUTION

BOARD ACTION: Trustee Smith moved, supported by Trustee Halfmann, to adopt resolution RES #2015-03 a resolution approving the amendment to the Clinton County Waste Management Plan. Motion carried.

NORWAY DRIVE EXTENSION RESOLUTION CORRECTION

BOARD ACTION: Trustee Klein moved, supported by Trustee Porter, to adopt RES #2015-04 (a correction to RES #2014-04) to correct the legal description to read as follows: That the legal description of said street is described as LOCATED WITHIN THE NE ¼ OF SECTION 11, T7N, R4W, VILLAGE OF FOWLER CLINTON COUNTY, MICHIGAN, BEGINNING AT THE CENTERLINE OF TYLER DRIVE AT THE INTERSECTION OF NORWAY DRIVE THE FOLLOWING 3 COURSES: N22°16'36"W 39.81 FEET; 130.83 FEET ALONG A 165 FEET RADIUS CURVE CONCAVE TO THE EAST. WITH A CHORD BEARING N00°26'16"E 127.43 FEET; AND N23°09'08"E 20 86 FEET: TO THE POINT OF ENDING (191.50 FEET). Motion carried.

MATCHING FUNDS APPLICATION

BOARD ACTION: Trustee Fink moved, supported by Trustee Porter, to approve the Matching Funds Application submitted by Ken's Kar Care. Motion carried.

DAVE POHL – CLINTON COUNTY COMMISSIONER

Dave Pohl, Clinton County Commissioner discussed the following issues:

- Courthouse security updates
- \$155 million Tri-County Bus Rapid Transit Project
- Communication tower on corner of Upton Rd. and Cutler Rd. is installed
- Favorable county audit
- Goose hunting licensing for Clinton Lakes
- FOIA Updates

PA 152 RESOLUTION

BOARD ACTION: Trustee Klein moved, supported by Trustee Fink, to approve RES #2015-05. A resolution to exempt the Village from the requirements of Public Act 152 for the next succeeding year which reads as follows:

WHEREAS Public Act 152 of 2011, passed by the legislature and signed into law by the governor, was designed to lessen the burden of employee health care costs on public employers; and

WHEREAS, communities are given four options for complying with the requirements of Act 152, depending on the impact of the Act on the employees of each community; and

WHEREAS, the four options available to the village are:

- 1) apply the hard cap (capped dollar amount each government employer may pay towards an employee's health care costs;
- 2) adopt by majority vote the 80%-20% cost-sharing model;
- 3) elect not to follow the act;
- 4) opt out of (exempt itself from) the cost-sharing model as set forth in the act and revisit it prior to the next plan year.

WHEREAS, the Village Council has decided to exempt itself from the requirements of the act for the next succeeding year; and

WHEREAS, the Village Council recognizes that such exemption requires a 2/3 majority vote of the Village Council;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Village Council for Village of Fowler hereby exempts itself from the requirements of Public Act 152 of 2011 for the next succeeding year; BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Village Council for the Village of Fowler acknowledges its responsibility to revisit its options and responsibility under Public Act 152 of 2011 in one year. Roll call vote: Smith – aye, Childers – aye, Halfmann – aye, Porter – aye, V. Thelen – aye, Fink – aye, Klein – aye. Motion carried.

GAPS SIGN

Work in progress.

CORRESPONDENCE

None.

10 MINUTE OPEN DISCUSSION

- 2016 Insurance rates
- Compliments on beautiful flowers downtown
- Trailhead
- Clinton County Economic Alliance

ADJOURNMENT

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:16 PM.

Rhonda Feldpausch, Village Clerk

