



FOWLER VILLAGE COUNCIL

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DATE: JULY 14, 2020

The Fowler Village Council met Tuesday, July 14, 2020 at 7:00 PM with President Pro-Tem Mike Porter presiding.

ROLL CALL

Roll was called, and a quorum reported. Present: Codi Schrauben, Brad Rhynard, John Rademacher, Rick Fink, Dan Schmitt, Melissa Humphrey, and Rhonda Feldpausch. Absent: Vernon J. Thelen.

VILLAGE PERSONNEL

Vern Feldpausch.

VISITORS

Dave Feldpausch

AGENDA

Add: Tree Removal – Storm Damage and Dixon Engineering Warranty Inspection

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

MINUTES

BOARD ACTION: Trustee Fink moved, supported by Trustee Rhynard, to approve the minutes of the June 9, 2020 regular meeting as presented. Motion carried.

BILLS

BOARD ACTION: Trustee Rhynard moved, supported by Trustee Humphrey, to approve payment of \$116,521.07 from the General Fund, \$4,364.98 from the Sanitary Sewer O & M Fund, \$3,071.50 from the Major Street Fund, \$3,453.60 from the Local Street Fund and \$5,647.96 from the Water O & M Fund. Motion carried.

ZONING PERMITS

BOARD ACTION: Trustee Rhynard moved, supported by Trustee Fink, to approve Zoning Permit #F2020-03 submitted by Jason Meyers, #RD2020-04 submitted by Mayberry Homes/Katelyn DesJardins, RD2020-05 submitted by Tom Motz Builders/Tina Miller, #F2020-04 submitted by Kent and Kolina Dell, AB2020-03 submitted by Glenn and Rachelle Pung, and #AB2020-04 submitted by Jason Pohl and Jodie Watts. Motion carried.

CLINTON COUNTY SHERIFF

No one present.

COMMITTEE REPORT

None.

TREASURER REPORT

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

PLANNING COMMISSION

BOARD ACTION: Trustee Fink moved, supported by Trustee Rhynard, to approve the January 13, 2020 and May 12, 2020 Planning Commission meeting minutes. Motion carried.

The Planning Commission will hold a special meeting on August 3, 2020 at the request of Community Developers, Inc.

DPW REPORT

Vern Feldpausch reported on the following issues:

- Clean recycle center
- Phase #7 condo project
- Well controls
- Crack sealing
- Catch basin maintenance
- Chip sealing with Clinton County Road Commission
- Sidewalks

DOWNTOWN PROPERTY PURCHASE

BOARD ACTION: Trustee Humphrey moved, supported by Trustee Rhynard, to approve the purchase of 148. S. Main Street, Fowler (parcel #041-000-016-015-00) from Central Michigan Management for a not to exceed price of \$18,000.00 and contingent upon execution of a purchase agreement and quit claim deed. Motion carried.

DOWNTOWN POST FIRE REHABILITATION

Points of discussion regarding downtown post fire rehabilitation:

- Excavation and storm sewer work have been completed. Final grade, topsoil application and hydro seeding on hold for better weather.

STAMPED CONCRETE MAINTENANCE

BOARD ACTION: Trustee Fink moved, supported by Trustee Schmitt, to accept the \$5,500.00 stamped concrete maintenance bid submitted by Platte Brothers Concrete. Motion carried.

SOLAR ENERGY ORDINANCE

Trustees were provided by a draft Solar Energy Ordinance that has been approved by the Planning Commission and referred to Council for approval.

CLINTON STREET

Concerns regarding safety issues on Clinton Street during Wieber Lumber business hours were discussed.

MAIN STREET STREETLIGHT RELOCATON

BOARD ACTION: Trustee Fink moved, supported by Trustee Rhynard, to approve the request from Shelley Mueller – Becker’s Bridal regarding the relocation of a streetlight. Becker’s Bridal would assume all costs of the relocation and Vern Feldpausch would be involved in the project. Motion carried.

ADDITIONAL PARKING NEAR PICKLEBALL COURTS

BOARD ACTION: Trustee Rhynard moved, supported by Trustee Schmitt, to provide additional parking on Fifth Street near the pickleball courts at a not to exceed cost of \$3,000.00 plus labor and equipment. Motion carried.

VILLAGE EMPLOYEE HEALTH INSURANCE OPT-OUT POLICY

BOARD ACTION: Trustee Schrauben moved, supported by Trustee Fink, to table the agenda item Village Employee Health Insurance Opt-Out Policy. Motion carried.

TREE REMOVAL – STORM DAMAGE

BOARD ACTION: Trustee Humphrey moved, supported by Trustee Rhynard, to approve Taylor Tree Service tree removal bid of \$7,925.00. Motion carried.

DIXON ENGINEERING WARRANTY INSPECTION

BOARD ACTION: Trustee Fink moved, supported by Trustee Rhynard, to table the agenda item Dixon Engineering Warranty Inspection. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

Dave Pohl – Clinton County Commissioner submitted the following information:

- Resignation of Ryan Wood – County Administrator effective September 22, 2020
- 911 project bond sale came in at 1.01% which was less than anticipated
- Many county employees are working from home. The County board has approved purchase of enhanced security program for the IT department.
- The anticipated budget shortfall due to covid-19 is \$1.8 million for 2020 and \$2.4 million for 2021.
- The Glanbia cheese plant is expected to start processing October 2020
- August 4th millage proposal for Clinton Transit System
- Emergency service employee compensation adjustment

10 MINUTE OPEN DISCUSSION

- Car show
- Dave Feldpausch – request to hold wedding reception on village property

ADJOURNMENT

BOARD ACTION: Trustee Rhynard moved, supported by Trustee Schrauben, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried

Meeting adjourned at 8:23 PM.

Rhonda Feldpausch, Village Clerk