

FOWLER VILLAGE COUNCIL



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DATE: JUNE 13, 2016

The Fowler Village Council met Monday, June 13, 2016 at 7:00 PM with and 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: Roy Smith, Greg Halfmann, Rick Fink, John Childers, David Klein, Mike Porter, John Rademacher, and Rhonda Feldpausch. Absent: None.

VILLAGE PERSONNEL

Vern Feldpausch.

VISITORS

Abby Becker, Judy Becker, Ronn and Beth Thelen, Mark Becker, Diane Simon, Tory Niewiadomski – MI Planning Services and Dru Mitchell – Clinton County Economic Alliance.

AGENDA

Correct Find Field to read Fink Field.

MINUTES

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

BOARD ACTION: Trustee Fink moved, supported by Trustee Childers, to approve the minutes of the May 9, 2016 regular meeting as presented. Motion carried.

BILLS

BOARD ACTION: Trustee Smith moved, supported by Trustee Fink, to approve payment of \$71,812.84 from the General Fund, \$1,065.00 from the Major Street Fund, \$1,065.00 from the Local Street Fund, \$30,934.84 from the Water O & M Fund, and \$3,039.28 from the Sanitary O & M Fund. Motion carried.

ZONING PERMITS

BOARD ACTION: Trustee Fink moved, supported by Trustee Smith, to approve zoning permit #RD 2016-01 submitted by Kurt Thelen on behalf of Daric and Lynne Feldpausch. Motion carried.

CLINTON COUNTY SHERIFF

No one present.

TREASURER REPORT

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

PLANNING COMMISSION

Nothing new.

PLANNING AND ZONING ISSUES

In regards to the height of the accessory building located at 10959 E. Ionia Street, research of the Zoning Ordinance describes a method of measuring height that differed from past practices. Upon applying the method described in the ordinance, the building meets height requirements.

Mark Becker – Becker Furniture, asked about his options to rebuild if he were to demolish one of his buildings. He was given his options and will be in contact in the future should the demolition occur and he decides to rebuild.

Becker property located at 11368 W. Kent is for sale. Simons, a prospective buyer would like to purchase the 21+ acres with the intention of splitting the house from the parcel in a 3+ acre parcel with a remaining parcel of 18+ acres. Much discussion ensued regarding the proper procedure involved that would meet land transfer/combination rules and zoning rules. Rhonda Feldpausch, Clerk, was instructed to consult with legal counsel. Any information will be shared with Diane Simon and Mark Becker.

DPW REPORT

Vern Feldpausch reported on the following issues:

- Well house electrical work
- Lagoon maintenance – weeds and phosphorous
- Valve, hydrant and meter replacements
- Sewer lining
- Crack sealing
- Meter reading
- 2016 water sampling
- Tower Inspection
- Fink Field water fountain replacement
- Spartan asphalt to pulverize, reshape pave Maple Street at cost of 53,919
- New truck detailing

BOARD ACTION: Trustee Fink moved, supported by Trustee Childers, to approve bed replacement on 2003 truck in amount of \$3500. Motion carried.

FRAUD RISK MANAGEMENT POLICY

Work in progress.

TRAILHEAD PROJECT

Ground breaking occurred June 7. Possible fundraising ideas were discussed.

PA 152

Clerk will draft a resolution for review and possible adoption.

BUDGET PROCEDURES

John Rademacher, Treasurer, will provide a spreadsheet providing information outlining yearly costs of village operations versus special projects.

DRU MITCHELL – CLINTON COUNTY ECONOMIC ALLIANCE

Dru Mitchell – Clinton County Economic Alliance was present to thank the Village Council for membership. Dru outlined the work CCEA has been doing. She also discussed fundraising opportunities for the depot project.

FINK FIELD FOUNTAIN REPLACEMENT

BOARD ACTION: Trustee Klein moved, supported by Trustee Childers, to approve replacement of the drinking fountain at Fink Field at a not to exceed cost of \$3742.00. Motion carried.

DAVE POHL – CLINTON COUNTY COMMISSIONER

Dave reported on the following items:

- County audit is complete and the financial standing is positive
- Possible changes to county housing of state prisoners
- Sheriff Department record storage methods and improvements

EDGEWOOD DRIVE DUST CONTROL

Vern Feldpausch will contact Dave Halfmann to apply chloride on Edgewood Drive after some work is done by DPW.

CORRESPONDENCE

None.

10 MINUTE OPEN DISCUSSION

- Specs for rails to trails signage was presented
- Sample blight ordinance wording was presented

ADJOURNMENT

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:54 PM.

Rhonda Feldpausch, Village Clerk