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DATE: NOVEMBER 14, 2023

The Fowler Village Council met Tuesday, November 14, 2023 at 7:00 PM with President Vernon J. Thelen presiding.

ROLL CALL

Roll was called and a quorum reported.
 Present: Brad Rhynard, Mike Porter, Dan Schmitt, Melissa Humphrey, Codi Schrauben, John Rademacher, Rick Fink and Rhonda Feldpausch. Absent: None.

VILLAGE PERSONNEL

Vern Feldpausch.

VISITORS

Scott Clarke – Clinton County Sheriff Department, Dave Pohl – Clinton County Commissioner

AGENDA

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

MINUTES

BOARD ACTION: Trustee Humphrey moved, supported by Trustee Rhynard, to approve the minutes of the October 10, 2023 public hearing and regular meeting as presented. Motion carried.

BILLS

BOARD ACTION: Trustee Rhynard moved, supported by Trustee Schmitt, to approve payment of \$69,471.07 from the General Fund, \$1,636.96 from the Local Street Fund, \$4,781.94 from the Major Street Fund, \$3,226.32 from the Sanitary Sewer O & M Fund, and \$3,465.59 from the Water O & M Fund. Motion carried.

ZONING PERMITS

BOARD ACTION: Trustee Fink moved, supported by Trustee Humphrey, to approve permit #AB2023-03 submitted by Terry Luttig. Motion carried.

CLINTON COUNTY SHERIFF

Sgt. Scott Clarke – Clinton County Sherrif Department was present and reported on vehicle break-ins on the south side of the county.

COMMITTEE REPORT

None.

TREASURER REPORT

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

PLANNING COMMISSION

No report.

DPW REPORT

Vern Feldpausch provided the following project information:

- GPS valves and water boxes
- Cell #2 sampling and second discharge
- Wash/wax all equipment, store summer equipment and install winter equipment
- Clean catch basins
- Well house - PM on air relief valves

PERSONNEL POLICIES

Personnel Committee is working towards creating procedures for employee reviews. The goal is to ensure competitive wages and compensation packages. The efforts will benefit current and future employees.

STOP SIGN REQUEST

Council was provided information regarding a request for a stop sign at the Sorrel St. and Kent St. intersection. The complaint revolves around traffic during school drop off and pick up. Council feels a stop sign at this location would create unnecessary traffic flow issues.

PLAYGROUND UPGRADES

Council was provided information regarding upgrades for all three playgrounds. Further work will be done on this project.

BUDGET HEARING DATE

A tentative budget hearing date has been set for December 27th at 11:00 AM.

DAVE POHL – CLINTON COUNTY COMMISSIONER

Dave Pohl – Clinton County Commissioner sent correspondence outlining the following issues:

- Clinton County was just notified that subject to a comment period by other broadband providers that we were successful with a Broadband grant for part of the proposed project.
- The BoC approved an ordinance allowing ORV on certain County Roads.
- Clinton County approved a letter of commitment for participation with Ingham and Eaton to apply for an EPA grant to support Regional Brownfield Redevelopment.
- The County Board approved a Youth Outreach program offered by (Community Mental Health) CMH to get involved with youth who seem to be struggling with stress, anger or other emotional issues. This is a preventative effort and it also engages the parents or guardians.
- The BoC approved the Waste Management requested renewal of the Rural Recycling program for 2024.
- The Clinton County Township Officers Assn. will be holding their November meeting at the new Road Commission facility and will include a public tour from 4 to 6 facilities on November 21st. Will be a ribbon cutting. The meeting will follow at 7 pm. Mark your calendar.

CORRESPONDENCE

None.

10 MINUTE OPEN DISCUSSION

- Lights on Main Street
- Date for installation of Clem Sohn monument – possibly 4-25-2024
- Welcome signs – lighting

ADJOURNMENT

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:54 PM.

Rhonda Feldpausch, Village Clerk