



FOWLER VILLAGE COUNCIL

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DATE: OCTOBER 10, 2016

The Fowler Village Council met Monday, October 10, 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: Greg Halfmann, Rick Fink, Brad Rhynard (appointed to fill vacancy at this meeting), Mike Porter, John Rademacher, and Rhonda Feldpausch. Absent: David Klein and Roy Smith.

VILLAGE PERSONNEL

Vern Feldpausch.

VISITORS

Daryl Hyland, Glenn Pung – First Merit Bank, Pam Kondel – First Merit Bank, Nick Farley and Kathy Farley.

AGENDA

Add: Trustee Position Vacancy

MINUTES

BOARD ACTION: Trustee Fink moved, supported by Trustee Porter, to approve the minutes of the September 12, 2016 regular meeting as presented. Motion carried.

BILLS

BOARD ACTION: Trustee Porter moved, supported by Trustee Halfmann, to approve payment of \$ 115,706.97 from the General Fund, \$8,760.03 from the Water O & M Fund, and \$5,259.33 from the Sanitary O & M Fund. Motion carried.

ZONING PERMITS

None.

CLINTON COUNTY SHERIFF

No one present from Clinton County Sherriff Department.

COMMITTEE REPORT

None.

TREASURER REPORT

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

PLANNING COMMISSION

Nothing new.

TRUSTEE POSTION VACANCY

BOARD ACTION: Trustee Halfmann moved, supported by Trustee Porter, to appoint Brad Rhynard to the vacant trustee position effective immediately. Motion carried.

TRAFFIC SPEED DISPLAY

Clerk provided information regarding the cost to purchase a moveable traffic speed display. More information will be obtained.

FIRST MERIT/HUNTINGTON NATIONAL BANK

Glenn Pung and Pam Kondel of First Merit/Huntington National Bank were present to discuss the closing of the Fowler branch. Following are some of the issues discussed:

- First Merit merger with Huntington National Bank required closure of

approximately 100 branches which was determined based on the number of total branches between the two banks. The approximate 100 closures consist of a combination of First Merit and Huntington National Bank branches.

- Fowler's branch was originally on a list of proposed closures.
- After extensive research, Fowler's branch was on the closure list presented to the Department of Justice.
- Huntington National Bank is taking steps to ensure occupancy of the building following its closure which is approximately February 20, 2017.

DPW REPORT

Vern Feldpausch reported on the following issues:

- Weeds are gone in lagoon
- Cell #2 sampling & discharge
- Tree trimming
- Scraper truck & backhoe PM
- Hydrant flushing
- Winterizing buildings & hydrants

BOARD ACTION: Trustee Porter moved, supported by Trustee Fink, to approve increase on clerk's credit card limit to \$2000.00 to allow for purchase of new backhoe seat. Motion carried.

FRAUD RISK MANAGEMENT POLICY

An outline is in the works and documents are being created.

TRAILHEAD PROJECT

Expected completion is the end of November. A committee consisting of Vern Thelen, Rhonda Feldpausch and three others, which are yet to be determined, will meet to discuss fundraising ideas.

BUDGET PROCEDURES

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

BLIGHTED PROPERTIES ORDINANCE WORDING

Draft of blighted properties amendment will be converted to codified format and presented to council at a later date.

CORRESPONDENCE

None.

10 MINUTE OPEN DISCUSSION

- Greg Halfmann will get quotes to replace basketball hoops and backboards at village parks. Current hoops and backboards are not "user friendly".

ADJOURNMENT

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 PM.

Rhonda Feldpausch, Village Clerk