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## FOWLER VILLAGE COUNCIL

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 Clerk  
 Rhonda Feldpausch  
 DPW Employees  
 Vern Feldpausch  
 Brad Smith

DATE: JANUARY 14, 2025

The Fowler Village Council met Tuesday, January 14, 2025 at 7:00 PM with President Vernon J. Thelen presiding.

ROLL CALL

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

VILLAGE PERSONNEL

Vern Feldpausch.

VISITORS

Scott Clarke – Clinton County Sheriff Department and Zach Rudat Clinton County Commissioner

AGENDA

**BOARD ACTION:** Trustee Schrauben 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 December 10, 2024 regular meeting and December 27, 2024 Public Hearing and Special Meeting as presented. Motion carried.

BILLS

**BOARD ACTION:** Trustee Schrauben moved, supported by Trustee Humphrey, to approve payment of \$45,267.43 from the General Fund, \$756.00 from the Local Street Fund, \$6,974.76 from the Sanitary Sewer O & M Fund, and \$4,458.12 from the Water O & M Fund. Motion carried.

ZONING PERMITS

None.

CLINTON COUNTY SHERIFF

Sgt Clarke reported on additional personnel hiring. There will be 5 officers per shift instead of 4. Officers patrol approximately 575 square miles.

TREASURER REPORT

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

PLANNING COMMISSION

No report.

DPW REPORT

Vern Feldpausch, DPW Supervisor reported on the following items:

- Year-end numbers
- Meter replacements
- Jet machine repair
- Continuing education classes
- Repaint arrow board
- Store Christmas décor

SPEED INDICATOR SIGNS	Currently waiting for quotes.
WATER/SEWER RATES	The board will consider 2025 rate increases.
CLINTON COUNTY AMBULANCE AUTHORITY AND SERVICE BUDGETS	<b>BOARD ACTION:</b> Trustee Fink moved, supported by Trustee Rhynard, to table Clinton County Ambulance Authority and Service budget adoption. Motion carried.
MEDICAL INSURANCE RENEWAL	<b>BOARD ACTION:</b> Trustee Fink moved, supported by Trustee Porter, to continue with current medical insurance coverage for 2025. Motion carried.
CLINTON COUNTY SHERIFF CONTRACT	<b>BOARD ACTION:</b> Trustee Fink moved, supported by Trustee Porter to approve the contract with Clinton County Sheriff Department for additional police services. Motion carried.
MERS CONTRIBUTION	<b>BOARD ACTION:</b> Trustee Fink moved, supported by Trustee Rhynard, to table a 2025 contribution to MERS. Motion carried.
ZACH RUDAT – CLINTON COUNTY COMMISSIONER	Zach Rudat – Clinton County Commissioner reported on the following issues: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Clinton County Board Commissioners were sworn in for new terms.</li> <li>• The board will meet on the last Tuesday of every month at 9AM at the courthouse. The board has asked the County Administrator to look into options for live-streaming meetings.</li> <li>• Commissioner Rudat’s committee assignments are largely agriculture and public safety focused.</li> </ul>
CORRESPONDENCE	None.
10 MINUTE OPEN DISCUSSION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ambulance service special assessment</li> </ul>
ADJOURNMENT	<b>BOARD ACTION:</b> Trustee Rhynard, supported by Trustee Humphrey, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:34 PM.

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Rhonda Feldpausch, Village Clerk