

TOWN COUNCIL

January 9, 2017

The Flora Town Council met Monday, January 9, 2017 in the Board Room of the Flora Town Hall. Those present were; Atlee Oyler, Janet Spooner, Chuck Spooner, Lauri Rice (Carroll County Comet), Todd Trent, Ted Donoho, Charlotte Moppin, Bill McCarty, Jill Clothier, Karla Jenkins, Adam Randle, Paul Redmon, Dick T. Bishop, Darrell Yoder, Vince Seward, Josh Ayres and Joretta Tinsman.

Joretta Tinsman opened the meeting with welcome and election of officers. Vince moved to retain the same officers as 2016; President–Joshua Ayres, Vice President–Vince Seward and Finance Chairman–Darrell Yoder. Darrell seconded. Officers set.

Vince moved minutes of previous meetings (December 5 and December 22, 2017) be approved as presented with the exception of “??” be added after Joshua’s last name on the December 22, 2017 minutes; Darrell seconded. Minutes approved. Claims and Payroll signed.

OLD BUSINESS:

- A. SimplexGrinnell-Todd Trent (Fire Department) will investigate and determine the need/no need of a second phone line for alarm at 27 West Main Street.

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Flora Apartments Inc. - Charles and Janet Spooner presented a proposal representing the ‘Elm Street Sewer Group’ (Flora Apartments Inc., Flora Super Value and Max & Helen Eikenberry) including a bid from ACCU-DIG (Craig Cleaver) in the amount of \$27,094.00 asking the town to assume the cost of the manhole (\$3500.00 and 156 feet of 8 inch pipe from the manhole to the Center Street main line (\$542.00). Upon completion of the project, the manhole in the Eikenberry garage would be closed off. Council will review the proposal and discuss it further. Will make a decision at February meeting.
- B. K-IRPC annual appointment - Council approved David Albaugh to serve.
- C. Committee/Representative appointments for 2017 - Vince moved to approve the appointments as presented. David Albaugh on Plan Commission, Don Shively on Board of Zoning Appeals, Bret Rinehart on Economic Development and Russ Kasper on Aviation. Darrell seconded. Motion carried. Waiting on a reply from Jake Adams and Eric Miller for reappointment to park board.
- D. Fireworks for 2017 – Todd Trent requested an increase of \$2,000.00 for this year’s fireworks show (\$8,500.00). Last increase was in 2009 to \$6,500.00. Will send a letter to Community Club requesting an increase in their \$1,500.00 donation.

- E. Animal Ordinance regarding Pit Bull – Council is considering and gathering information for a forthcoming ordinance to disallow pit bulls in the town limits.

REPORTS:

- A. Town Marshal – Paul Redmon submitted and reviewed his December written report. There were 9 Misdemeanor arrest, 7 Felony arrest, 4 Warnings, 75 Calls for Service, 5 Accidents, and 9 Warrants served. Paul reported scheduling changes have been made in police department to cover for Josh Disinger who is out for two months following a leg fracture he suffered in a fall when he slipped on the ice December 17th.
- B. Plan Commission – There was one permit issued in December ~ Susan Hitchcock a demolition permit.

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- C. Fire Department – Adam Randle presented December written report including 14 fire runs and 20 medical runs. On Saturday, January 28, 2017 firemen will be going door to door targeting every residence in Flora, checking residents' smoke detectors, installing new ones or replacing old ones where needed. Rain date will be Saturday, February 4, 2017. First Alert from Dallas, Texas has donated 100 fire alarms and IPC made a \$7,700.00 donation to purchase smoke detectors for the County-wide blitz.
- D. Park Department – Atlee Oyler present. Darrell made a motion to approve the trade-in mower quote from John Deere for the zero turn mower (three years old) with a balance due of \$5,000.00. Vince seconded. Motion carried. Kenneth Coddington plans to return to work at the park in the spring. Will check with Greg Hoffman.
- E. Airport – No One Present
- F. Utility Manager/Water Foreman – See written report. Vince moved to approve mower trade in quote from John Deere for one year old town mower with balance due of \$2,350.00. Darrell seconded. Motion carried. Council tabled a quote of \$ 15,400.00 from Xcel Welding for frame repair and new brakes on the dump truck. A second quote from Mac's Shop Inc. was for \$21,325.00. Council tabled a quote of \$4,000 from Brown Equipment Co. for preventative maintenance on the street sweeper. Financing will be reviewed and a decision on both will be made at a future meeting. Council approved Ron Fritz and Tom Routt attending Electric Metering Class February 16-17, 2017 in Brownstown IN.
- G. WWT Foreman – See written report. Routine Maintenance and repairs

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. Office closed Monday, January 16, 2017 in observance of Martin Luther King.
2. Next meeting will be Monday, February 6, 2017 at 6:00 PM
3. Legislative Reception ~ January 30, 2017 @ Indiana Historical Society in Indianapolis.

Darrell made a motion to adjourn, Vince seconded; motion carried.

TOWN OF FLORA

Joshua S. Ayres, President

Vincent A. Seward, Vice-President

Darrell Yoder, Finance Chairman

ATTEST:

Joretta L. Tinsman, Clerk-Treasurer