

TOWN COUNCIL
June 13, 2016

The Flora Town Council met June 13, 2016 in the Town Hall Board Room. Those present were; Lauri Rice (Carroll County Comet), Shane Evans, Bill McCarty, Ted Donoho, Todd Trent, Josh Disinger, Karla Jenkins, Dick T. Bishop, Joshua Ayres, Vince Seward, Darrell Yoder and Joretta Tinsman.

Joshua Ayres opened the meeting with welcome. Darrell moved the minutes of the previous meeting (May 2, 2016) be approved as written. Josh seconded. Minutes approved. Claims and Payroll were signed.

OLD BUSINESS:

- A. Income Study ~ Reminder to residents that Mendenhall and Associates is currently going door to door conducting a survey (number of people in household and range of income). Information they are collecting will not be private identity information but is necessary for the town to pursue future grants.
- B. Brick Sidewalks ~Joretta will advertise for bids to repair several locations of brick sidewalks in the downtown area.

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Student Council Carwash ~ Carroll Elementary Student Council was given permission to hold a carwash on Saturday June 18th from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the town parking lot across from Wilcox to raise funds to purchase handicap playground equipment for the school.
- B. Fire Extinguisher Inspections ~ Brenneco reported they inspected 69 extinguishers with 26 failing inspection and submitted a bill of \$1,596.00 for repairs (\$1872.00 total for service and repairs). Todd Trent will have Flora Volunteer Fire Department review locations of our fire extinguishers to determine if any extinguishers could be eliminated at any of the locations.
- C. Emergency Management Meeting attendee ~ Council asked Paul Redmon and one Utility Employee to attend the Carroll County Emergency Management Advisory Board meeting on June 27, 2016 at 10 AM in the training room at the Courthouse in Delphi.

REPORTS:

- A. Town Marshal – Josh Disinger read the May police report. He reported 8 misdemeanor arrests, 5 felony arrests, 16 citations, 16 written warnings, 71 calls for service, 3 accidents, and 1 warrant. Residents of Town of Flora are bound by state's statutes on fireworks which allows fireworks between 9 a.m. and

midnight on certain Holidays including New Years Eve, and Independence Day and Labor Day and between 9 a.m. and 11 p.m. on all other days of the year. Warning given to residents they are liable for any damage their fireworks cause to their own or other property. Josh announced that the Salin Bank robbers have been apprehended.

- B. Plan commission–Issued five building permits in May. Phil Jones a storage shed. Jerry Bean (Majestic Homes) for a new home. Cameron Proffitt for wrecking of a garage. Terry Bechtold for a storage shed. Keith Jacobs a fence.
- C. Fire Department –Todd Trent reviewed 20- year expenditure plan he had submitted to the Council. Reported the pancake breakfast at the Fire Station on June 11, 2016 went well.

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- D. Park Department – No one present. The Park Committee has had vandalism issues in the park restrooms and because of the destruction of the property they have not been unlocking the restrooms in the daytime hours unless there are activities scheduled in the park. The restrooms need to be unlocked during the day time hours and all are hopeful that posting cameras near the restrooms will take care of the park restroom vandalism problem. Josh will talk with Atlee.
- E. Airport – No one present.
- F. Utility Manager/Water Superintendent – Discussed maintenance of town streets. Ted submitted a list of streets that are in need of asphalt paving and two quotes ~ one from Rieth-Riley Construction Co., Inc. and one from Central Paving, Inc as well as an slurry seal quote from Pavement Solutions, Inc. Council and Ted agreed slurry seal is no longer a solution on these streets. Joretta will check into hiring an outside group to develop a five year plan for road work and to assist with pursuing grant funding to pave and maintain streets.
- G. WWT Foreman – Rob Buttice received his welding certification. Bill suggested sending out or hand delivering reminder letters to the homeowners who have not complied with upgrading their sewers reminding them that the deadline for completion is coming up in October of 2016.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. Town Offices closed Monday, July 4, 2016 in observation of Independence Day.
2. Annual Fireworks display Monday July 4th at dusk (approximately 9:45 p.m.) at the Flora Park.

3. Next town council meeting will be Tuesday July 5, 2016, at 6 p.m. (due to July 4th Holiday).
4. Shred Day (Echo Shred) in Flora scheduled for Saturday, July 23, 2016 ~ 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Flora Municipal Shop.

Darrell motioned to adjourn the meeting and Josh seconded that motion. Motion carried.

TOWN OF FLORA

Joshua S. Ayres, President

ABSENT
Vincent A. Seward, Vice President

Darrell Yoder, Finance Chairman

ATTEST:

Joretta L. Tinsman, Clerk-Treasurer