

TOWN COUNCIL
November 7, 2016

The Flora Town Council met Monday, November 7, 2016 at 6:00 PM in the Board Room of the Flora Town Hall. Those present were; Julie Gish, Michelle Holliday, Jim Bowyer, Marianne Bowyer, Jim Hancock, Bill McCarty Renee' Randolph, Lee Sorrells, Todd Trent, Karla Jenkins, David Dicus, Lauri Rice (Carroll County Comet), Dick T. Bishop, Jill Clothier, Kevin Clothier, Jessica Young, Laura Walls, Paul J. Redmon, Darrell Yoder, Vince Seward, Josh Ayres, and Joretta Tinsman.

Joshua Ayres opened the meeting with welcome. Vince moved the minutes of the previous meetings (October 3, 2016 and October 17, 2016) be approved as presented; Darrell seconded. Minutes approved. Claims and payroll signed.

OLD BUSINESS:

- A. Park Building Bids ~ Received two bids for replacing the former skating rink
 1. Mathews Buildings = \$148,382.00; Alt #1 = \$8590.00; Alt #2 = \$11,870.00.
 2. R Yoder Construction = 216,285.00; Alt #s = 10,830.00; Alt #2 = \$26,665.00.Darrell moved to approve the total Mathews Building bid with both alternates in the amount of \$168,842.00. Vince seconded. Motion carried. Will solicit bids for demolition.

- B. Lee Sorrells ~ Resident complaining about the shed on the Paul Rider rental property at 503 South Center Street and upkeep of that property and the property at 304 South Center. Will send a letter citing violations of town ordinance 79-3 to Paul Rider with a copy of Ordinance 79-3 included. Lee Sorrells, Renee Randolph, Mark Pinkard and Judy Beaver would like a copy of the letter sent to Mr. Rider.

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Laura Walls-Carroll County Economic Development ~ Laura reported that Flora's three appointed Economic Development Board members are Joe Moss, Treasurer, Bret Rinehart and Andy Zinn. In February of 2016 the office for Carroll County Economic Development moved to the Hoosier Heartland Industrial Park. Based on the population of Flora our donation amount would be \$21,237.00. Due to the extra expenses with the Camden/Flora Rail Corridor business, EDC is requesting \$25,000.00. Vince made a motion to give Economic Development \$25,000.00 of the town's Economic Development Income Tax (EDIT) money in 2016 as we have done the past two years. Darrell seconded. Motion carried. Council expressed their gratitude for EDC's work.

- B. Leaf Removal Oak Wood Subdivision ~ Bret Rinehart gave the Council a letter requesting leaf removal in the subdivision where he lives (the only subdivision just outside city limits but still in Monroe Township). Council approved his

request and will get with Ted to set up a schedule for two pick up times and a price to be charged to Bret and participating neighbors for each pick up.

REPORTS:

- A. Town Marshal – Paul Redmon submitted and reviewed October police report. There were 3 Misdemeanor arrests, 5 Citations, 10 Warnings, 48 Calls for service, 2 Accidents, 1 Search/Probation, 1 Consent, and 1 Warrant. Paul reported the Department is aware of three stray dogs and are making efforts to catch them. No criminal mischief or vandalism reported over Halloween.
- B. Plan Commission – Issued two building permits in October including Kathy Shank for storage shed. Morgan Brown for a fence.

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- C. Fire Department – Todd Trent reported 5 Fire runs, 7 Medical runs and 4 activities in the month of October. They are testing hydrants as a training exercise and will give Ted information on the hydrants with issues to resolve.
- D. Park Department – Julie Gish and Michelle Holiday were present to request assistance from the town on new fencing for the softball diamond. Darrell moved that the town pay one-half of the \$1991.78 invoice from Todal Fence LLC for the new fencing. Vince seconded. Motion carried. Board is getting lime donated and they are working on upgrading the diamond; the council agreed the town would help with repairs to the grounds as well if needed. There are 82 girls participating in softball with 8 teams
- E. Airport – No one present.
- F. Utility Manager/Water Superintendent – Josh reviewed the presented report. Utility employees have completed the new park equipment in the kiddie area, removed dirt, hauled sand, helped set the equipment up and poured concrete. They also put a new bearing in the merry-go-around and painted it.
- G. WWT Superintendent – Josh reviewed October report. Granted Bill permission to attend a two day seminar in Columbus Indiana for 10 continuing education units. Now have 62 laterals completed (approximately 2/3 done). Will wait another month before starting to issue any fines.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. Town offices closed Friday, November 11, 2016 for Veteran's Day.
2. Town offices closed Thursday & Friday, November 24 & 25 for Thanksgiving.
3. Next town council meeting will be Monday, December 5, 2016 at 6:00 PM.

Vince made a motion to adjourn, Darrell 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