

TOWN COUNCIL  
May 6, 2019

The Flora Town Council met Monday, May 6, 2019 in the Board Room at 4 E Main Street. Those present were: Susan Scholl (Carroll County Comet), Rachel Runge, Vince Sommers, Bill McCarty, Miriam Robeson, Paul Veldhuizen, Charlotte Moppin, Todd Trent, Cory Mahan, Ethan Brown, Abby McMurray, Angie Brown, Jessica Waybill, Pam Beck, Ron Fritz, Joyce Yoder, Abigail Diener, Kevin and Jill Clothier, Vince Seward, Darrell Yoder, Jacob Adams and Joretta Tinsman.

Vince opened the meeting with welcome. Jacob moved the minutes of the previous meeting (April 1, 2019) be approved as presented; Darrell seconded Minutes approved. Claims and payroll signed.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

- A. **Commonwealth-** Rachel Runge and Vince Sommers were present. Rachel indicated the South tank is nearing completion and work continues on the North tank. A change order for a credit and Pay Voucher # 7 were submitted for approval. Jacob moved to accept requests and Darrell seconded. Motion carried.
- B. **Dog Park** –Jessica Waybill from Girl Scout Troop # 154 thanked the town employees for all their help making the dog park a reality. The park is open and the Grand Opening will be May 11<sup>th</sup> from 4-5 pm.
- C. **Porta Pot**-lower ball diamond. Joretta received a quote from Service Sanitation for \$105 per week with an estimated summer cost between \$1,200 and \$1,600. The cost is more than in previous years and the council decided not to rent one at this time. Todd Trent did mention he can check with a different company for a quote. He will get back with Joretta.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- A. **Flora Community Club**- Miriam Robeson representing Flora Community Club and Flora Main Street, presented a proposal to lease office space on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor in the Town Office Building. Darrell made a motion to lease the space following a few minor changes by our Attorney and Jake seconded. Motion carried.
- B. **Flora Main Street**- A letter was read from Melissa Bishop with Flora Main Street regarding the purchase of a gas powered golf cart to use for downtown flower watering. The cost for the cart is \$3,200.00. She wrote in the letter that the golf cart could be used for other purposes and FMS is willing to contribute \$1,600.00 toward the purchase and assist with gas expense. She requested the town provide the remaining \$1,600.00 as well as the expense to affix the water tanks on the cart. Jake moved to approve the request and Darrell seconded. Motion carried.

- C. **Flora Youth Center** – Paul Veldhuizen announced the Youth Development and Health & Safety Day has been rescheduled for May 11, 2019 from 10am to 4pm. Paul mentioned that he has obtained a bike rack and would like to place it by the center. He asked for Council input on placement. No decision made.
- D. **Ethan Brown**- Food vendors were discussed and Ethan would like to see an ordinance in place with guidelines. He requested that the Town Council make it fair to the town restaurants and the vendors. Joyce Yoder representing Carroll County Health Department indicated any food vendor must have a permit. Todd Trent of the Fire Department also indicated if the vendor is cooking in the unit the fire department needs to know.
- E. **2019-01 Salary Ordinance Amendment**- Adding a job line item for the summer intern working on the GIS system for the utilities.  
Darrell moved to approve - 1<sup>st</sup> reading, Jake 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Darrell moved to suspend rules and read by title only, Jake 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Jake moved to approve the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading, Darrell 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Jake moved to approve the 3<sup>rd</sup> reading, Darrell 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Ordinance Amendment Approved.

## **REPORTS:**

- A. **Police Department** – Not Present
- B. **Plan Commission** - There were 6 building permits issued in April: Privacy Fence- George Miller, Cassie Cloutier, Robert Draper and Robert Jones. Storage shed –Penny Tucker. House Addition- Adam Jones.
- C. **Fire Department** – Todd Trent reported he has received 1 app from the ads he placed in the paper. Breakfast was a huge success. He is still working on getting bids for signage for building. Todd requested for 1 possibly 2 new urinals and the kitchen sink plumbing to be repaired as well.
- D. **Park Department** – It has been too wet to do much at the park. – the committee will meet again later this month to create a prioritized needs list.
- E. **Airport** –Gator met with Debbie Lowe, they are working on sprucing up the airport by painting the lights and tires. Gale Kinzie will install the window and also metal in the hanger ceiling.
- F. **Utility Manager/Water Superintendent** – Reviewed the submitted report. Had a major water leak on Division Street since last meeting. Yard waste pick up going ok, but grass is still being put in the streets and clogging the basins. Tree trimming was discussed and the Electric dept is only responsible for trimming limbs in the primary lines.

- G. **WWT Foreman**- Reviewed submitted report. Bill inquired about the Sewer Guideline Document. The Town Council apologized for not reviewing it prior to this meeting and will address it the June Council meeting.

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

- 1. Shred day for community- Town Council agreed to do this again this year in August. Joretta will call and set up date and time.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- 1. Office will be closed Monday, May 27th, 2019 in observance of Memorial Day.
- 2. Next meeting will be Monday, June 3, 2019 at 6:00 P.M.

Darrell Yoder made a motion to adjourn, Jake seconded; motion carried.

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Vincent A Seward, President

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Darrell Yoder, Vice President

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Jacob D Adams, Finance Chairman

ATTEST:

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Joretta L. Tinsman, Clerk-Treasurer