
TOWN COUNCIL
July 6, 2020

The Flora Town Council met July 6, 2020 in the Boardroom at 4 E. Main Street. Those present were: Pam Beck, Eric Downing, Melissa & Steve Keown, Tim Raymer, Atlee Oyler, Bill McCarty, Curt Hufty, Todd Trent, Lee Sorrells, Kevin & Jill Clothier, Mark & Brandy Pinkard, Kevin Shafer, Abigail Diener, Brian Johnson, Susan Scholl, Susan Shivley, Sarah Hess, Paul Redmon, Erica Draper, Jake Adams, Darrell Yoder, Vincent Seward, and Joretta Tinsman, Clerk- Treasurer.

Vincent Seward opened the meeting with welcome. Jake moved the minutes of the previous meeting (June 1, 2020) be approved as presented. Darrell seconded. Minutes approved. Claims and Payroll were signed.

OLD BUSINESS:

- A. Carroll County Animal Control: Erica Draper reported she did visit the 716 S. Division Street in May after receiving complaints that resident had too many dogs. She spoke to the resident, entered the home and the backyard where she found 7 dogs that appeared to be well taken care of. The premise was clean as well. According to the Town Ordinance she does have too many dogs, however several of them are close to end of life and she did not recommend she get rid of them and explained to resident when they die, she is not to replace them.
- B. Community Crossings Paving Bids-At the June meeting the town received 5 sealed bids for the paving project. Darrell moved to accept the low bid from Central Paving in the amount of \$235,735.13. Jake seconded. Motion Carried.
- C. Neighborhood Committee- The discussion continues in reference to the blighted properties. The current nuisance ordinance is being revised.

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Nuisance Ordinance 2020-02- Jake moved to accept the 1st reading. New Ordinance revoking 79-3 and 84-2. Darrell seconded. Motion carried.
- B. Clinton County Disposal- Eric Downing suggested for the new contract in the fall to expand the number of trash bags from 4 to 6 bags per household.
- C. Baker Tilly Tracking Factor- The energy rates from IMPA has changed and starting July 1st,2020 a decrease of \$1.12 per every 1,000-kilowatt hour used_____ will be reflected on residents billing. Darrell moved to accept the new rate. Jake seconded. Motion carried.

REPORTS:

- A. Police Department- Paul Redmon submitted and read his report. The July 4th fireworks went well with more spectators than usual.
- B. Plan Commission – 7 Building permits issued in June 2020. Fence: Deanna Lambert, Porch: Melissa Keown, Shed: Steve Loy & Jose Morales. Pool: Andrew Keith. Room Addition: Brian Beaver. Sidewalk- Mick Graham.
- C. Fire Department – Todd Trent reported 6 medical and 14 fire calls. The fireworks went well. The department has recruited 2 new fire fighters.
- D. Park Department – Atlee reported his crew has been busy at the park mowing, painting, getting ready for the 4-H fair and baseball has started practice. Atlee is keeping track of the water usage for the garden.
- E. Airport –No one present.

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- F. Utility Manager/Water Foreman – Vince made the official announcement appointing Kevin as Utility Foreman/Supervisor. See written report. **Street:** The log cabin has been removed, a drain installed and 10 to 15 loads of dirt were used to fill in the area. **Water:** Several leaks fixed around town with a major one at the trailer park. **Electric:** The crew continues to trim trees and install walking trail lights. Meter reading went well. Trevor has finished his 3rd year of lineman training. Kevin mentioned mulch is available to the public, just call the shop.
- G. WWT Foreman – See detailed written report. Bill reported it was a dry month with no overflow. Bill reminded residents not to flush wipes of any kind down the toilet.

OTHER BUSINESS:

- 1.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- 1. Council Work Session – July 21st at 10 am- IMPA Dedicated Program.
- 2. Dave Faulkenberg has organized a worship service involving 4 area churches to be held at the park on July 25th from 5 to 9 pm in the grassy area behind the brown building.
- 3. Next Town Council Meeting will be held August 3, 2020 at 6 pm

4. Community Shred Day is Saturday August 15th, 8 am to 12 pm at the Municipal shop.

TOWN OF FLORA

Vincent A. Seward, President

Darrell Yoder, Vice-President

Jacob D. Adams, Finance Chairman

ATTEST:

Joretta L. Tinsman, Clerk-Treasurer