

## TOWN COUNCIL

June 1, 2020

The Flora Town Council met June 1, 2020 in the Board Room at 4 East Main Street. Those present were; Susan Scholl (Carroll County Comet) Kurt Brandstatter, Jeffery Fish, Tim Raymer, Kevin Shafer, Stephanie Martin, James Bishop, Atlee Oyler, Rachel Runge, Bill McCarty, Cory Mahan, Todd Trent, Nick Root, Lauren Varga, Steve & Melissa Keown, Susan Shively, Kevin & Jill Clothier, Jacob Adams, Darrell Yoder, Vince Seward and Joretta Tinsman, Clerk-Treasurer.

Vince Seward opened the meeting with welcome. Darrell moved the minutes of the previous meeting (May 11, 2020) be approved as presented. Jake Adams seconded. Minutes approved. Claims and Payroll were signed.

OLD BUSINESS:

A. Bid Opening – Community Crossing Project. 5 sealed bids submitted and opened: Central Paving - \$235,735.13; EB Paving - \$302,426.40; Fox - \$307,649.00; Baumgartner - \$313,760.00; and Milestone - \$354,214.30

Jake moved to table the bids for engineer review. Darrell seconded. Motion approved.

B. Commonwealth- Water Utility Asset Management Plan- Rachel presented the Water Asset Manual and a 20- year plan for maintenance. Lauren Varga explained the Wastewater plan and funds that could be available. Jake moved that Commonwealth submit a preliminary engineering proposal for the Wastewater project. Darrell seconded. Motion approved.

C. Food Truck Ordinance 2020-01- Jake moved to suspend the rules and read by title only for second and third readings. Darrell seconded. Motion approved. Jake moved to approve the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading. Darrell seconded. Motion approved. Jake moved to approve the 3<sup>rd</sup> and final reading. Darrell seconded. Motion approved.

D. Property Appraisal- E Columbia Street, Flora - No Action taken

E. Committee for neighborhood concerns-- Jake met with the group and discussed the nuisance problems, occupancy on rentals, improvements and inspection possibilities. A suggestion was made to have the ordinances on line and the council agreed and will work on the request.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. Tim Raymer – The property at 716 S Division Street is housing 5 to 7 dogs. He inquired about an Ordinance with regards to the number of dogs that someone can have.. He mentioned he does have a fence between him and the neighbor, however; the smell is terrible as a result of her having numerous dogs. A letter with the nuisance ordinance will be sent to the resident.

B. Stephanie Martin- She has received estimates to replace her sewage line in the amount of \$10,500 to \$22,000. The distance is 260' or so. The Council discussed going a different route. Vince agreed to visit the property to try and resolve the problem.

C. Shred day- Lafayette Shredding quoted \$125 hr./\$500 for 4 hours. Council approved the expense for a Shred day this fall.

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REPORTS:

- A. Police Department: Officer James Bishop submitted his report. He reported the department had 43 calls for service and things have been calm during the pandemic.
- B. Plan commission–Issued 13 building permits in May. Fence: Nicole Bennett, Steve Keown, Brian Fogarsi, Joe Martin, Nicena Reynolds and Adam Tussinger. Sidewalk – James Bair and Tom Helvie. Pool- Julia Hoskins. Building Addition- Wick’s Packaging. Fence and Deck- Kathie Ennis. Fence and Shed- Adam Spesard. Patio- Jeremy Collins.
- C. Fire Department –Todd Trent reported 3 medical and 11 fire related runs for the month. The first responders are not activated unless absolutely necessary. The rest of the fireworks have been received and are scheduled to be set off at dusk on July 4<sup>th</sup>.
- D. Park Department –Atlee reported the park committee had a meeting this past month. Darrell received a request to trim the tree at the playground, he will show Atlee which one it is. The mowing is keeping the park staff busy. Added Ethan Duff as High School summer help.
- E. Airport – No one present.
- F. Utility Manager/Water Superintendent – **Street**- Brush pick-up continues, weed spraying and street sweeping. The summer employee, Mason Rudd, is keeping the town properties mowed. **Water** – A major 6” break on W. Columbia was reported at 6 pm and repaired by 10 pm. Kevin thanked the employees for their help with the repair. **Electric**- Trees are being trimmed, couple of poles set, 1 new and 1 temporary service set up. The work continues to finish installing the lights at the park.
- G. WWT Foreman – See written report. In 6 days we had 2 ½ inches of rain with no overflows!

OTHER BUSINESS:

- A. Blight Grant – Pre-bid meeting June 25<sup>th</sup>
- B. Open Bids – July 6<sup>th</sup>

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. Town Office closed Friday July 3<sup>rd</sup> in observance of Independence Day.
2. Annual Fireworks display will be July 4<sup>th</sup> at 10 PM at the Flora Park.
3. Next meeting will be July 6, 2020 at 6 pm.

Darrell moved to adjourn the meeting and Jake seconded. Meeting adjourned.

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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