

FLORA TOWN COUNCIL
November 1, 2021

The Flora Town Council met Monday, November 1, 2021 in the Boardroom at 4 E Main Street. Those present were; Charlotte Moppin, Kevin and Jill Clothier, Susan Scholl (Carroll County Comet) Tyler Jenkins, Todd Trent, Chris Albaugh (K-IRPC) Bill McCarty, Kevin Shafer, Gabrielle Biciunas (Commonwealth), Kendra Linn (Town Attorney-Harmon Robeson Law) Josh & Ephina Disinger, Paul and Amanda Redmon, Pam Beck, Mark Thomas, James Bishop, Darrell Yoder, Robert Kauffman, Vincent Seward and Clerk-Treasurer Joretta Tinsman.

Vince Seward opened the meeting with welcome.

Vince presented plaques to Josh Disinger and Paul Redmon for their dedication to the Flora Police Department for a combined total of 40 years. Paul Redmon was gifted his service rifle.

Rob moved the minutes of the previous meeting (October 4, 2021) be approved as presented; Darrell Yoder seconded. Minutes approved. Claims and payroll signed.

OLD BUSINESS:

- A. Commonwealth- Gabrielle presented a monthly report
- B. Recycle Truck- No sealed bids were received.

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Community Garden – Charlotte Moppin ask permission from the Council to allow an 8 ft. by 8 ft. portable shed set by the garden for tools. The council gave approval for the shed. Charlotte will get with the park board to decide location.
- B. Flora Public Library- A letter requesting a new board member Leann Ayres to replace and finish Cheryl Bean's appointment to the library board. The Council approved Leann Ayres to finish the term thru 12/31/22.
- C. Resolution 2021-03 Reduction of appropriations for 2021. Vince read the resolution. Darrell moved to approve the reduction. Rob seconded. Motion approved.
- D. Sick Leave Bank- Letter submitted from Greg Barnes requesting 5 days from the sick leave bank. Council approved.
- E. Election Ordinance 2021-05 - Establish Primary Elections for Nomination of Major Political Party Candidates. Rob moved to approve the first reading of Ordinance 2021-05. Darrell Seconded. Motion carried. Rob moved to suspend the rules and read by title only for the second and third readings of Ordinance 2021-05. Darrell seconded. Motion carried. Darrell moved to approve the second reading of Ordinance 2021-05. Rob seconded. Motion carried. Rob moved to approve the third and final reading of Ordinance 2021-05. Darrell seconded. Motion carried.
- F. Ordinance 2021-06- Ordinance to Change Municipal Elections To Even-Numbered Years. Darrell moved to approve the first reading of Ordinance 2021-06. Rob seconded. Motion carried. Rob moved to suspend the rules and read by title only for the second and third readings of Ordinance 2021-06. Darrell seconded. Motion carried. Darrell moved to approve the second reading of Ordinance 2021-06. Rob seconded. Motion carried. Rob moved to approve the third and final reading of Ordinance 2021-06. Darrell seconded. Motion carried.

REPORTS:

- A. Police Department-Chief James Bishop reviewed his submitted written report. He mentioned again this month to lock houses and vehicles, several break-ins. He referenced Ordinance 2006-07 about a dog that bit a mail carrier and ask for a hearing to determine if dog is deemed vicious. The Council set a hearing of November 17th at noon. Letter will be sent to the dog owner. The call forwarding number is not working. The Council approved to just forward the Flora number to Delphi, instead of going thru a Camden number.
- B. Plan Commission – Issued 1 building permit in October. Fence – Branden Sprague.
- C. Fire Department – Todd Trent and Tyler Jenkins were present. Todd reported 5 med runs, 5 fire runs and 8 other calls. The donated vehicles are operational and will have a cost of \$731.00 for lettering and installing our equipment.
- D. Airport- No one present. Kevin reported too wet to mow and the furnace passed inspection.
- E. Park- The park restrooms will be closed Nov 1st. The sidewalks for the handicap restrooms are done. The old tennis court will be seeded in the Spring.
- F. Utility/ Water- Kevin submitted and highlighted items on report. Dustin Gutierrez completed IMEA 610 – Wood Pole Climbing Workshop on Oct 8th. The # 2 truck is scheduled to go to Hufty's for a new transmission on Nov 8th at the cost of \$1,700-\$2,200. The brick sidewalk in parking lot needs repaired, it was decided to just pour cement.
- G. WWT Superintendent –Bill reviewed written report. Indicated with all the rain the EQ tank overflowed for 5 days with 3.8 million gallons of water.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Chris Albaugh- Flora's K-IRPC representative – updated on current events.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

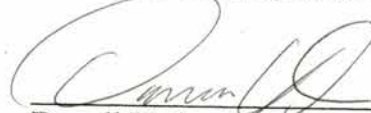
1. The Town Office will be closed November 11th for Veteran's Day.
2. The Town Office will be closed November 25^h and 26th for Thanksgiving.
3. The next Council Meeting will be Monday, December 6, 2021 at 6 pm

Rob moved to adjourn. Darrell seconded. Motion approved.

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Vincent A. Seward, President

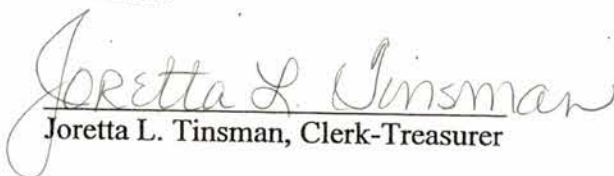


Darrell Yoder, Vice President



Robert Kauffman, Finance Chairman

ATTEST:



Joretta L. Tinsman, Clerk-Treasurer