FLORA TOWN COUNCIL
January 6, 2025

The Flora Town Council met Monday, January 6 , 2025 in the Board Room of the Flora Town Hall. Those present were; Todd Trent, Tyler Jenkins, Justin Hayes, James Bishop, Steve Catron, Mason Rudd, Mark Thomas, Kendra Linn, Trevor Ayers, Randy Hoffman, Breezy Land, Vince Seward, Jack Begley, Mike Titus, Penny Titus, Madison Kauffman, Charlotte Moppin, Jill Clothier, Kevin Clothier, Chris Albaugh, Darrell Yoder, and Pam Beck Clerk-Treasurer.

Pam opened the meeting with welcome.

Election of Officers- President- Rob moved to approve Darrell Yoder as President for 2025. Chris Seconded. Motion carried.
Vice President- Chris moved to approve Rob Kauffman as Vice President for 2025. Darrell Seconded. Motion carried.
Finance Chairman- Darrell moved to approve Chris Albaugh as Finance Chairman for 2025. Rob Seconded. Motion carried.

Pam moved the meeting over to Darrell. Rob moved the minutes of the previous meeting from December 2nd, 2024 and December 19th , 2024 be approved as presented; Chris Seconded. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

A. Commonwealth-Update- Division A Notice to Proceed. This is for the construction notice to proceed as of 11/17/24. Rob made a motion for Division A Notice to Proceed for the construction notice as of 11/17/24. Chris Seconded. Motion carried. Division A Work Change Directive #1- This is for misc. revisions to the construction plans to accommodate specific equipment items. This results in a credit of $7,436. Rob made a motion to accept the credit from Division A Work Change Directive #1 of $7,436. Chris Seconded. Motion carried. Division A Pay Application #1- This is the first pay request from Patterson Horth. Rob made a motion to accept Division A Pay Application #1 from Patterson Horth. Chris Seconded. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. Flora Community Club- Madison Kauffman- Circus at the Tractor Pull area. Potential date June 10th 2025. Council approved the Flora Community Club to have the Circus at the Tractor Pull area. Madison will have to fill out an Event Application.

B. IMPA Tracking Factor 1st Quarter 2025- The tracking factor for the first quarter will be $0.012651 and shall be charged monthly to all metered rates. This is representing a decrease in the overall tracking factor of 40.001170. Rob made a motion to approve the IMPA Tracking Factor 1st Quarter 2025 for $0.012651. Chris Seconded. Motion carried.

C. Carroll County Economic Development- 2025 invoice for the 2024-2027 contract in the amount of $26,175.00. Rob made a motion to approve the invoice for Carroll County Economic Development 2024-2027 contract in the amount of $26,175.00. Chris Second. Motion carried.

D. Accelerate Indiana Municipalities- AIM 2025 dues in the amount of $1944 plus optional contribution. Chris made a motion to approve the AIM 2025 dues in the amount of $1944 plus a $1000 contribution for a total of $2944. Rob Seconded. Motion carried.

E. Huston Generator Service Agreements for inspection & testing 1 year:

Water Plant- $1030.00

Town Hall- $760.00

Fire Department- $760.00

Parts and additional service request extra as stated in agreement. Rob made a motion to approve Huston Generator Service Agreements for inspection & testing 1 year for the Water Plant, Town Hall, and Fire Department. Chris Seconded. Motion carried.

F. Carroll County Chamber of Commerce annual membership dues for 2025- $3000 minus $1000 room rental discount for a total of $2000 for dues. Chris made a motion to approve the annual Carroll County Chamber of Commerce annual membership dues for 2025 for $3000 minus $1000 room rental discount for a total of $2000 for dues. Rob Seconded. Motion carried.

REPORTS:

A. Police Department – Chief Bishop submitted his report. There were 93 calls for service, 5 citations, 25 warnings, 7 arrests/misdemeanors, and 3 accidents. Mason Rudd is set to go to the Police Academy May 6th, 2025- August 22nd, 2025. Darrell presented Mike Titus an award for 14 years of service from the Flora Fire Department and Flora Police, Mark Thomas an award for 20 years of service from the Flora Police Department, and James Bishop an award for 25 years of service from the Flora Police Department.

B. Fire Department – Fire Chief Tyler Jenkins reported the department had 7 fire-related call, and 17 EMS runs.

C. Plan Commission- 3 permits issued for December: CGM Properties- For a shop/warehouse. Pam Wentworth- Foundation repair. Hufty's Collison's Unlimited- Addition.

D. Park Department- No one present. Nothing to report

E. Airport- Jack Begley reported- 2025 Hangar Lease Contracts all have been turned in besides 3. 1 hangar is open.

F. Utility Manager/Water Foreman- Trevor's report included: Street Department: Salting the streets. Plows are on the trucks. Made new road at the ballpark. Water Department: Had 18 calls for service. 6 water leaks. Electric Department: Had 13 calls for service. 6 power outages. Christmas decorations are taken down. JM Testing tested our electric equipment. Need a new hot stick and bolt cutters. Pulling pumps at the WWTP. Hooked up temporary power at WWTP project.

G. WWTP Superintendent – Randy's report included: At 815 S. Division St. there was a sewer lateral being replaced. There was also an unknown 8" pipe that was found. 310 W. Clem replaced half of their sewer lateral. The other half to the main needs to be finished. Had Division A and Division B meeting for the WWTP project. Pulled influent pumps multiple times to clean out clogs. Monthly reports including sludge e-submitted to IDEM. Plant Influent Flow: 8,826,050 gallons= 284,808 gallons per day. Plant Effluent Flow: 8,082,000 gallons= 260,710 gallons per day.

OTHER BUSINESS

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ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. The Town Office will be closed on January 20th, 2025 in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day.
2. The next Town Council Meeting will be Monday, February 3rd, 2025 at 6 pm.

Rob moved to adjourn; Chris seconded; motion carried.

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ATTEST:

Pamela J. Beck, Clerk-Treasurer

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Rhonda Noel, City Assistant