FLORA TOWN COUNCIL
January 5, 2026

The Flora Town Council met Monday, January 5, 2025 in the Board Room of the Flora Town Hall. Those present were; James Bishop, Randy Hoffman, Tyler Jenkins, Trevor Ayres, Kendra Linn, Darren Wells (Commonwealth), Bryan Stumpf, Lainie Stumpf, Scott Miller, Jack Begle, Madison Kauffman, Jessica Heater, Brian Johnson, Laurie Brower, Don Shively, Tom Kressley, Kevin Clothier, Jill Clothier, Chris Albaugh, Rob Kauffman, Darrell Yoder, and Pam Beck - Clerk-Treasurer.

Meeting is streamed and can be viewed on line at townofflora.org.

Pam opened the meeting with welcome.

Election of Officer- President- Rob moved to approve Darrell Yoder as President for 2026. Chris Seconded. Motion carried.
Vice President- Darrell moved to approve Rob Kauffman as Vice President for 2026. Chris Seconded. Motion carried.
Finance Chairman- Darrell moved to approve Chris Albaugh as Finance Chairman for 2026. Rob Seconded. Motion carried.

Rob moved the previous meeting December 1st and December 31st, 2025 be approved as presented; Chris seconded. Minutes approved. Claims and payroll signed.

OLD BUSINESS:

A. Commonwealth- WWTP Update- Darren Wells- Division A Pay Application #13 in the amount of $1,250,557.00- Chris made a motion to approve Division A Pay Application #13 for $1,250,557.00. Rob Seconded. Motion carried. Division A Progress Meeting #14 is scheduled for Thursday, January 15th @ 11:00 a.m. at the Flora Town Hall. Division B Progress Meeting #16 is scheduled for Thursday, January 15, 2026 @ 10:00 a.m. at the Flora Town Hall.

B. Salary Ordinance 2025-02 for 2026- 1st reading was on December 31, 2025. Rob made a motion to suspend the rules and read by title only for the second and third reading of Ordinance 2025-02 for 2026. Chris Second. Motion carried. Chris made a motion to approve the second reading of Ordinance 2025-02 for 2026. Rob Seconded. Motion carried. Rob made a motion to approve the third and final reading of Ordinance 2025-02 for 2026. Chris Seconded. Motion carried.

C. Ordinance 2025-03-Repeal and replace the current Zoning Ordinance and Subdivision Control Ordinance with a Unified Development Ordinance and Official Zoning Map. Recommendation letter submitted by tow of Flora- Plan Commission to Town Council. Rob made a motion to approve Ordinance 2025-03. Chris Seconded. Motion carried.

D. Brian Johnson- Nuisance Ordinance process and procedures were discussed with Mr. Johnson. Mr. Johnson is requesting police bodycam footage. Chief James Bishop told Mr. Johnson the procedures on what he needed to do to obtain the bodycam footage he is requesting.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. Flora Community Club- Madison Kauffman- Carroll County Chamber of Commerce- Platinum Partner Membership Tier Fee- Invoice is $2000. The balance is calculated for $3000 a year minus use of the office space at 4 E Main Street of $1000. Chris made a motion to approve the Carroll County Chamber of Commerce Platinum Partner Membership for $3000 minus the $1000 for the use of office space for a total of $2000. Rob Seconded. Motion carried. Carnival contract has been signed.

B. IMPA Tracking Fator 1st Quarter 2026- The tracking factor for the first quarter will be $0.014109 and shall be charged monthly to all metered rates. This represents an increase in the overall tracking of $0.004479. Rob made a motion to approve 1st quarter tracking factor for 2026 for $0.014109. Chris Seconded. Motion carried.

C. Resolution 2026-02 Amending Resolution 2021-02- Rental Building Fees- Chris made a motion to approve Resolution 2026-02 Amending Resolution 2021-02. Rob Seconded. Motion carried.

D. Carroll County Economic Development- 2026 invoice for the 2024-2027 contract in the amount of $27,222.00. Rob made a motion to approve 2026 invoice for the 2024-2027 contract in the amount of $27,222.00. Chris Seconded. Motion carried.

E. 2026 KIRPC Certification of Appointment- Chris Albaugh was appointed as a Board Member of KIRPC Regional Planning Commission. Chris signed the contract.

REPORTS:

A. Police Department – Chief James Bishop submitted his report. There were 87 calls for service, 2 citations, 37 warnings, 0 arrests/misdemeanors, and 0 accidents. Mason graduated from the Police Academy on December 17, 2025. Mason is now in the full rotation for the Police Department work schedule. Police Department emails are now in.gov.

B. Fire Department – Fire Chief Tyler Jenkins reported the department had 12 fire-related call, and 21 EMS runs.

C. Plan Commission- 1 permit issued for December: Birchtree Investments-Demolition

D. Park Department- Scott Miller- Nothing to report.

E. Airport- Jack Begley reported the 2026 airport leases have started coming in. Replacing lights in all the hangars.

F. Utility Manager/Water Foreman- Trevor's report included: Street Department: Maintenance on vehicles and equipment. Plowed and salted streets. Water Department: Changed fire hydrant on 18 and Division. 15 water leaks. 43 calls for services. Electric Department: Had 75 calls for service. 11 power outages. Fixed 14 streetlights. Prepared to change over electric at WWTP on January 7th, 2026.

G. WWTP Superintendent – Randy report included: Land application report was filled out and sent to IDEM. Sewer lateral at 115 Second Street was installed. The Flora Park lift station has been switched over to new equipment. Unfortunately, had some tools come up missing. Had a locksmith come and rekeyed the locks so they are functionable. Monthly reports including sludge e-submitted to IDEM.

OTHER BUSINESS

1. Darrell thanked Tom Kressley for being on the Plan Commission for 30 years.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. The Town office will be closed Monday, January 19th in observance of Marin Luther King Jr. Day.
2. The next Town Council meeting will be Monday, February 2nd, 2026.

Rob moved to adjourn; Chris seconded; motion carried.

TOWN OF FLORA

Darrell Yoder, President

Robert Kauffman, Vice President

Chris Albaugh, Finance Chairman

ATTEST:

Pamela J. Beck, Clerk-Treasurer