FLORA TOWN COUNCIL
September 8, 2026

The Flora Town Council met Tuesday, September 8, 2026, 2026 in the Board Room of the Flora Town Hall. Those present were; James Bishop, Randy Hoffman, Tyler Jenkins, Breezy Land, Katy Smith (Commonwealth), Scott Miller, Jack Begley, Jessica Heater, Chris Albaugh, Rob Kauffman, Darrell Yoder, and Pam Beck - Clerk-Treasurer.

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

Darrell opened the meeting with welcome.

Rob moved the previous meeting minutes from Monday, August 3, 2026 be approved as presented; Chris Seconded. Minutes approved. Claims and payroll signed.

OLD BUSINESS:

A. Commonwealth- WWTP Update- Division A & B -Katey Smith- Division A: Progress Meeting #22 is scheduled for Thursday, September 17 @ 11:00 am at the Flora Town Hall. Plant startup is scheduled to occur on a Thursday, September 10th. Division A: Change Order #9 which includes extending the contract substantial completion date to 9/9/26, a deduct/credit of $109,912- Chris approved Chage Order# 9 for $109,912. Rob Seconded. Motion carried. Contract modification #4 construction engineering and RPR services due to project delays total amount of $50,500, which will be offset by the deductive Change Order#9- Rob made a motion to approve Contract modification #4 in the amount of $50,500. Chris Seconded. Motion carried. Division B- Currently in warranty period.

B. Commonwealth Lead Service Line Replacement Project update- Katey Smith- Construction began August 12th. Base bid replacements began August 18th and are ongoing. Work on the INDOT ROW is expected to occur the week of September 14th.

C. Community Club- Jessica Heater- Depot Days- Saturday, September 12th Time: 9 am- 5 pm. Location: Town parking lot and Depot.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. CCEDC- Contract review 2027 payment between the Town of Flora and the CCEDC- 2027 contract is based on $13.50 per person. The contract amount is $28,269.00- Rob made a motion to approve 2027 contract between the Town of Flora and the CCEDC in the contract amount of $28,269.00. Chris Seconded. Motion carried.

B. Library Board- Don Shively- Don reported the bond for the library renovations was approved by the County Council. Money should be in by November 2026. Work will start in December 2026. He thanked our Town Council for their recommendation/approval towards the project.

C. Victory in Christ Fellowship- Block Party- Date: October 3rd. Time: 4 pm- 8 pm. – Council approved. Breezy will call and let Victory know this was approved.

D. Altec- Service Estimate- Bucket truck service estimate total $14,330.52- Chris made a motion to approve Altec service estimate for the total price of $14,330.52. Rob Seconded. Motion carried.

REPORTS:

A. Police Department –Chief James Bishop presented his report. There were 185 calls for service, 5 citations, 46 warnings. James is workings with Carroll County 911 department to have one central phone line due to transferring going down several times.

B. Fire Department – Fire Chief Tyler Jenkins reported the department had 3 fire-related call, and 26 EMS runs.

C. Plan Commission- 3 permits issued for August: Bentio Martinez Santiago- Shed. Andrew Gannon- Driveway. Joyce Simpson- Deck & ramp.

D. Park Department- Scott reported there was a lot of clean up at the park due to the storm. Trees were lost in the storm. He thanked all of the town guys for all their help. Council wants to replace the trees. Prestigious Lawn- 6 sugar maple trees @ 600 each for a total of $4800. Chris made a motion to approve 6 sugar maple trees from Prestigious Lawn in the amount of $4800. Rob Seconded. Motion carried.

E. Airport- Jack Begley reported Fly-In will be on September 12th from 10 am- 2 pm. Council approved to reappoint Jack Begley as Flora Airport President and Scott Burge as Vice President.

F. Utility Manager/Water Foreman- Trevor absent- Trevor's report included: Street Department: Backhoe is being repaired at John Deere. Storm cleanup at park. Cleared roadways from storm damage. Water Department: 1 water leak. 46 calls for services. 1 water install. F & K is almost finished with the Lead and Copper project. Electric Department: Had 106 calls for service. Fixed 22 streetlights. 5 electric service installs. Over 20 electric outages from the storm.

G. WWTP Superintendent – Randy report included: Called into the WWTP multiple times for different alarms. Randy, Rob, and Tyler took a class on cyber security. Helped with storm clean up. Cleaned Bringhurst flow meter as needed. Monthly reports including sludge e-submitted to IDEM.

OTHER BUSINESS

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ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. The next Town Council meeting will be Monday, October 5th, 2026.
2. The Town office will be closed Monday, October 12th, 2026 in observance of Columbus Day.

Rob moved to adjourn; Chris seconded; motion carried.

TOWN OF FLORA

Darrell Yoder, President

Absent

Robert Kauffman, Vice President

Chris Albaugh, Finance Chairman

ATTEST:

Pamela J. Beck, Clerk-Treasurer