

**April 22, 2024**

The Town Council of the Town of Fowler met at the Town Hall on the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of April, 2024 at the hour of 6:00 P.M., for a meeting pursuant to call in accordance with the rules of the Council. The meeting was called to order by Linda Brouillette, Town Council President. On call of the roll of the members of the Council were shown to be present or absent as follows:

**Present: Linda Brouillette, Pat Claire, Jason Fisher, Mike Sanders, Lisa Sarault**

**Also Present: John Budreau, Ken Smith**

### **Unfinished Business**

Ken Smith had drawings and a spreadsheet of the 12 sections of streets that the Town would like to pave with the help of the Community Crossing Grant the Town received. The total cost of this project is \$991,391.00, with the grant paying \$734,168.25. Local match would be \$257,222.75.

The Council discussed the project along with John Budreau and Ken Smith and determined to take out line item #6, which is one of the streets at this time. 11 sections of streets will be paved with this grant. Pat Claire motion to approve the recommended streets to be paved, along with some sidewalks. Mike Sanders seconds. All in favor. Motion carried.

### **New Business**

Ken Smith had a change order for the water plant building that is currently being constructed. It would include 2 windows for \$2500. Pat Claire motion to accept the change order. Jason Fisher seconds. All in favor. Motion carried.

Ken Smith also had the pay app for 1 Source in the amount of \$85,815.40. This is what has been completed in the project. Pat Claire motions to approve the pay app. Jason Fisher seconds. All in favor. Motion carried.

Sara Finley had the Alcohol Beverage Board State form 22658 that Bill Burton had filled out and signed. Linda signed the form to complete. Sara will have it filed at the Courthouse.

Sara Finley had Ordinance 2024-0422-1 declaring certain personal property surplus and authorizing its sale of the two plexiglass sheets from the Town Hall. Pat Claire motion to approve Ordinance 2024-0422-1. Mike Sanders seconds. All in favor. Motion carried.

Sara Finley had Ordinance 2024-0422-2 declaring certain personal property to become surplus and donate. Sara found several children's t-shirts that had been stored for many years. This ordinance would

let the t-shirts be donated to Glimmers of Hope. Mike Sanders motions to approve Ordianace 2024-0422-2. Jason Fisher seconds. All in favor. Motion carried.

Sara Finley had the contract for Pyrotechnico for the July 4<sup>th</sup> fireworks. Total cost of the show would be \$18,970. Pre show invoice was given to the Council in the amount of \$9,485. Pat Claire motioned to accept the contract and pay the invoice. Lisa Sarault seconds. All in favor. Motion carried.

Sara Finley had Ordinance 2024-0422-3 amending Ordianance 2002-4 regarding residency requirement for Police Officer and Fowler Fire Dept. It states that a member of the Town Police or Fire Dept. is not subject to residency requirements but must have adequate means of transportation into the jurisdiction served by the member's dept. under Indiana Code 36-8-4.5-4. Pat Claire motions to approve Ordinance 2024-0422-3. Mike Sanders seconds. Jason Fisher abstains from voting. Motion carried.

Sara Finley had the building permit for the water project and asked if the fees could be waived considering the project is for the Town and it would be paid by the Town. Mike Sanders motion to approve the waived fees. Jason Fisher seconds. All in favor. Motion carried.

Sara Finley stated that her office is willing to try a Farmers Market here in Town. To start out it would be once a month. Sara asked if she could possibly close 5<sup>th</sup> St. at the theatre alley to right before Adams. The Council was ok with this.

### **Misc. Business**

Linda Brouillette stated that her and Pat Claire met with Jud and as of right now there are two properties in Fowler that Kibo is looking at for a possible business in Town.

### **Department Heads**

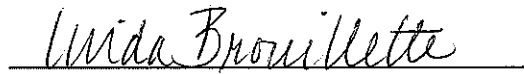
Sara Finley asked the Council if Payroll dates could be changed for office reasons. New Payroll dates would be from Sunday to Saturday. Mike Sanders motion to approve the change. Lisa Sarault seconds. All in favor. Motion carried.

Sara Finley stated that she is holding an extra cell phone that was a previous employee. She requested to have it for an office phone. Many government entities that Sara works with for payments and reports have a security code that has to go to a cell phone. Pat Claire motions to approve the office cell phone. Jason Fisher seconds. All in favor. Motion carried.

**Adjournment**

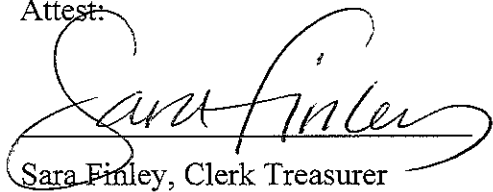
With no further business, Linda Brouillette motions to adjourn. Pat Claire seconds the motion. All in favor motion carried.

Approved:



Linda Brouillette, Council President

Attest:



Sara Finley, Clerk Treasurer

