January 3, 2023

The Town Council of the Town of Fowler met at the Town Hall on the 3rd day of January, 2023 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 Sara Finley, Clerk Treasurer. 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, Mike Sanders

Absent: Jason Fisher, Kristine Muller

Also Present: Nate Besse, Brad Lane, John Budreau, Sean Heim, Gail Lange

Sara Finley, Clerk-Treasurer, brought the meeting to order. Sara stated there needed to be a nomination for a Town Council President. A nomination was made by Pat Claire for Linda Brouillette to remain President. Mike Sanders seconds the motion. All in favor, motion carried. A nomination was made by Mike Sanders to name Pat Claire as Vice President. Linda Brouillette seconds the motion. All in favor motion carried.

Department Liaison were then decided as follows:

Clerk's Office – Linda Brouillette

Police Dept. – Pat Claire

MVH & Park – Mike Sanders

Building Commissioner/Code Enforcement – Pat Claire

Utilities Dept. – Jason Fisher

Fire Dept- Kristine Muller

Pat Claire motioned to pass the Dept. Liaisons. Mike Sanders seconds. All in favor, motion passed.

Disconnect Hearing

No one was present for the disconnect hearing. Mike Sanders motioned to proceed with disconnects. Pat Claire seconds the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Approval of Prior Minutes

Pat Claire made the motion to approve the Dec 30th minutes. Mike Sanders seconds. All in favor, motion carried.

New Business

Linda Brouillette stated she had talked to Carl Thompson about the Town Fireworks for 2023. The price has gone up from \$17,250.00 to \$18,975. Bill Burton asked if there was anyone else, we could look into to do the fireworks that may be cheaper. The Council asked Bill to look into this and give an update at the next meeting.

Misc. Business

Sara Finley had an updated Salary Ordinance, adding in a pay scale for the Wastewater Dept. Linda Brouillette motions to suspend the rules and consider Ordinance 2023-0103 on its first reading. Mike Sanders seconds. All in favor. Motion carried. Pat Claire motioned to accept the Amended Ordinance 2022-0103. Mike Sanders seconds. All in favor. Motion carried.

Department Heads

John Budreau told the Council that Indiana Vector Control Association is holding a mosquito conference in Michigan City March 12-14. He would like to attend. The Council approved.

Nate Besse told the Council one of the blowers on the digester went bad. He had a quote for a new one at \$4,012. Mike Sanders motion to accept the quote. Pat Claire seconds. All in favor. Motion carried.

Nate Besse also had a quote for Cintas for their uniforms. The Water, Wastewater and Street Dept. currently have Wildman. The Council approves the switch.

Sean Heim was present and let the Council know that 4 properties currently have citations. He asked who would be cleaning the scrap up from the properties if needed. Sara Finley told him she would reach out to see if she could find someone.

Claims

Pat Claire motioned to accept the claims. Mike Sanders seconds. All in favor. Motion carried.

Adjournment

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

Approved:

Linda Brouillette, Council President

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Attest:

Sara Finley, Clerk Treasurer