

March 7, 2022

The Town Council of the Town of Fowler met at the Town Hall on the 7th day of March, 2022 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, Steve Sorenson, Pat Claire, Jason Fisher, Mike Sanders

Also Present: Nate Besse, Brad Lane, Jud Barce, Gail Lange, Jacob Budreau

Disconnect Hearing

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

Approval of Prior Minutes

Mike Sanders made the motion to approve the minutes from the meeting held on February 22nd. Pat Claire seconds the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Unfinished Business

Mary Gardner's water and sewer lines were brought up for discussion again. The Council decided that they would like Mary to get at least two estimates for the work that will be needed. Jud Barce was present and said he would reach out and ask them to get the estimates and have them by the April 4th meeting.

Jacob Budreau was present for the Park Board to discuss the Park Grant. The Town Council and the Park Board are working toward getting a grant for the Park. Some of the things discussed for the grant was updating or putting in new restrooms, cameras, lights, and ADA compliant paths/sidewalks to the shelter houses, and basketball/tennis courts. After discussion, the Council would like to have a meeting with Edwin Buswell and Ken Smith, who the Town is working with on the Park Grant, to go over the list in more detail.

Misc. Business

John Cannon from the Attorney Generals office was present to speak to the Council. He handed out flyers and wanted to discuss what the Attorney General office does. One of the things they do in their office is unclaimed property. Indianaunclaimed.gov is the website you can go to and see if you have any money owed to you by the state. Last year, 47 million dollars was given back to the residents of Indiana. The office also does Consumer Protection recalls. Last month there was 1200 recalls that they posted online. If you go to their website at indiana.gov/attorneygeneral to sign up for the newsletter for more information.

John Cannon also said the Attorney Generals office has a new division for cyber security. They are helpful to give people advice on keeping your information safe. Their office also investigates fraud. Last year they found \$210 million dollars of fraud in Workforce Development and Medicaid.

Department Heads

Sara Finley had an email from NIPSCO stating they needed a place to temporarily keep equipment while they were doing a project along State Road 55. They attached an agreement for the Council to look over. After looking over the agreement, the Council had more questions for NIPSCO. Sara Finley will respond and see if we can get more information.

Sara Finley had an invoice from Boyce Systems for the annual software license for \$9200.00 Mike Sanders made the motion to approve Boyce Systems invoice. Jason Fisher seconds. All in favor. Motion carried.

Sara Finley had stated that Christie McCutcheon had spoken at the previous Council meeting and was wanting to use some of the funds from Arbor Day to get a tree for the Park in memory of Tish Ringle. Tish had been involved in Arbor Day for many years. Sara Finley had information on three trees for the Council to look at. The Council decided on the Blaze Maple Tree. This will be placed at the park in memory of Tish Ringle and her volunteer work for Arbor Day.

The Council decided that they would like to do a work session and go over the applications for the Code Enforcement Employee. This will be Monday March 14 at 6:00.

Claims

Pat Claire made the motion to approve and pay all claims. Steve Sorenson seconds the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Adjournment

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

Approved:



Linda Brouillette, Council President

Attest:



Sara Finley, Clerk Treasurer