May 2, 2022

The Town Council of the Town of Fowler met at the Town Hall on the 2nd day of May, 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 Steve Sorenson, Town Council Vice President. On call of the roll of the members of the Council were shown to be present or absent as follows:

Present: Steve Sorenson, Pat Claire, Jason Fisher, Mike Sanders

Absent: Linda Brouillette

Also Present: Nate Besse, John Budreau, Brad Lane, Gail Lange, Michel Roberts, Angie Taylor, Trent Remsburg.

Disconnect Hearing

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

Approval of Prior Minutes

Jason Fisher made the motion to approve the Special meeting April 18th minutes. Pat Claire seconds. All in favor motion carried.

Unfinished Business

Nate gave an update that Mainstream has moved some of the equipment to the Water Plant and they are currently working on locates for them.

New Business

Trent Remsburg was present to discuss his business plan. He is currently in the process of putting a grocery store into the old IGA building on Grant Ave. He has been working with Angie Taylor, the Benton County Economic Development Director, and the Benton County Commissioners. Trent discussed his suppliers and the work he is currently doing there. He discussed improving the building that the flooring and the drop ceiling needs attention. He is looking at options for extra funding for this. Steve Sorenson stated he is glad that there will be a grocery store back in Fowler, and the Council would have to further discuss if there would be any options for funding.

Misc. Business

Michel Roberts was present to discuss the park grant. The Park Board had a zoom meeting with DNR and there was some mapping of the park needed for the park grant. John Budreau said he could get this for her. Michel stated she will meet again with the Town Council before finalizing the grant by June 1.

Department Head

John Budreau was present and stated he had two applicants he would like to hire for summer street help. The Council approved.

Sara Finley had two quotes, one from Jenkins and one from Bellinger's for the tree that will be planted at the town park in memory of Tish Ringle. The Town Council looked over the quotes and approved the quote from Jenkins in the amount of \$1,190.00.

Sara Finley announced that the Town was awarded \$176,329.86 for the Community Crossing Grant. This will be for street repairs. She had Resolution 2022-0502 to authorize INDOT agreements for the Community Crossing Grant. Pat Claire motion to accept. Jason Fisher seconds. All in favor. Motion carried.

Brad Lane was present and stated he would like Sean Heim to have an IPad. Sean is the new Code Enforcement Employee. Mike Sanders approves purchasing and IPad. Jason Fisher seconds. All in favor. Motion carried.

Claims

Mike Sanders made the motion to approve and pay all claims. Jason Fisher seconds the motion. All in favor, motion carried.

Adjournment

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

Approved:

Steve Sorenson, Council Vice President

Attest:

Sara Finley, Clerk Treasure