

May 6, 2024

The Town Council of the Town of Fowler met at the Town Hall on the 6th day of May, 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, Jason Fisher, Pat Claire, Mike Sanders, Lisa Sarault

Also Present: Nate Besse, Bill Burton, Laura Fisher, Jillian Kirkpatrick

Disconnect Hearing

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

Approval of Prior Minutes

Approval of prior minutes in April are as follows;

April 1- Jason Fisher motion to approve. Lisa Sarault seconds.

April 8- Jason Fisher motion to approve. Pat Claire seconds.

April 22- Jason Fisher motion to approve. Mike Sanders seconds.

All in favor. Motion carried.

Department Heads

Bill Burton stated that ISO will be in Town May 23. They take information, come inspect, rate the inspection and then give the rating to insurance companies.

Nate Besse told the Council the water tower is done. Inspector will be here to check it and let them know when they can fill it back up. All the hydrants have been replaced.

Laura Fisher gave the Council an updated spreadsheet of the final updates on the Christmas Stroll and Easter Egg Hunt. She stated she took the Christmas Stroll Business decorating trophy in and got the information updated. Laura also discussed Singo Bingo, where 30 people attended.

Unfinished Business

Harold Holdeman came in and discussed parking issues on 5th St. The Council is going to table the discussion until all parties that have been invited come to the meeting.

New Business

Jillian Kirkpatrick was present and discussed the intersection at Grant and 5th St, the curve at the Courthouse. He was involved in a wreck there and wanted to know if anything could be done there to help with safety issues. The Council will look into this.

Pat Claire had a quote from Blue Line Construction for repairs to the bridge by Golf Heights. Quote is \$7,600-\$8,400. After discussion from the Council, Mike Sanders motion to approve \$8,400. Jason Fisher seconds. All in favor. Motion carried.

Pat Claire asked if Wade McCutcheon will be fixing the tile at Golf Heights. Nate Besse will check into it.

Lisa Sarault stated the last KIRPC executive meeting was cancelled. The first KIRPC meeting she attended they had received three new head start buses and they are available for use. Lisa was inquiring if anyone knew of someone in need that could benefit from it.

Jason Fisher commented that Kenyon McGinnis inquired about mowing town ordinance violation properties.

Misc. Business

Linda Brouillette spoke with Bob Kaiser with Kibo Business. They are still interested in finding property for their business. A couple properties have been looked at and Linda is getting more information on them.

Sara Finley had an email from Curt Albertson with Hamstra to discuss the timeline of the park project. The Council discussed this and stated he could work on some of the projects if they could complete them before July 4th and then start on the park restrooms and pool bathhouse after July 4th.

Sara Finley has ISI invoice for the hydrants and valves for the water project. Invoice is for \$107,200. Mike Sanders motions to approve invoice 4102 for \$107,200. Lisa Sarault seconds. All in favor. Motion carried.

Sara Finley has Resolution 2024-0506-2 for transfer of local match funds \$150,000 from the MVH Restricted fund 2203 and \$95,000 from the Motor Vehicle Highway fund 2201 be transferred to the Local Road and Bridge Matching Grant Fund 2403. Mike Sanders motions to approve. Pat Claire seconds. All in favor. Motion carried.

Sara Finley has Hamstra contract for the park project. Linda signed this.

Sara Finley has Ordinance 2024-0506-1 Capital Asset Policy. Pat Claire made the motion to suspend the rules and consider Ordinance 2024-0506-1. Mike Sanders seconds. All in favor. Motion carried. Pat Claire made the motion to accept Ordinance 2024-0506-1. Mike Sanders seconds. All in favor. Motion carried.

Sara Finley had an email from Jud Barce. Jud was recommending Kevin Fitzharris for the arbitrator for a Town issue. Pat Claire motions to accept Kevin Fitzharris. Mike Sanders seconds. All in favor. Motion carried.

Sara Finley has an Additional Appropriation for the Council to look over. General for \$230,000, County Economic Development \$228,000, Benton Community Foundation \$3,200 and Park \$8,400. Sara will advertise in the Benton Review and there will be an adoption at the June 3rd meeting. Pat Claire motion to approve the Additional Appropriation hearing. Mike Sanders seconds. All in favor. Motion carried.

Jason Fisher asked Sara to look into a State Homeland Security grant for barricades and security cameras at the park. Grant deadline is May 30th. Sara will look into it.

Claims

Jason Fisher motioned to accept the claims with the APV correction from \$393.12 to \$939.12 for Spear Corporation. Mike Sanders seconds. All in favor. Motion carried.

Adjournment

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

Approved:



Linda Brouillette, Council President

Attest:



Sara Finley, Clerk Treasurer