

November 7, 2022

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

Also Present: Nate Besse, Lee Klemme, Brad Lane, Sean Heim, Bill Burton, Gail Lange

Disconnect Hearing

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

Approval of Prior Minutes

Jason Fisher made the motion to approve the Oct 17th minutes. Mike Sanders seconds. All in favor motion carried.

Unfinished Business

Bill Burton had a quote from Macqueen Emergency for 7 fireman jackets and asked the Council for \$10,608.50 for half of the cost. Pat Claire motioned to accept the quote and pay the \$10608.50. Mike Sanders seconds. All in favor. Motion carried.

Sara Finley stated that a utility customer had a leak that started in March. In the beginning, the leak was from a running toilet, but later found another leak from pipes under upstairs bathtub. The customer had asked about an adjustment for his utility bill. Sara Finley had told the customer several times to provide information from the services to show the leak was not going down the drain. However, with the duration of time it took to receive the information, and the noncommunication of the customer, the Council decided not to adjust any off the water bill.

New Business

Linda Brouillette discussed with the Council that the Fowler Theatre was wanting to have a drone fly over the theatre and take some pictures, but wanted to make sure it was ok to do so. The Council agreed this would be fine to do.

Jason Fisher stated that someone complained about the trees on Washington St/St Rd 55. Mike Sanders mentioned he is waiting on a response from someone within INDOT to discuss if the Town should be trimming the tress or if it is INDOT's responsibility.

Misc. Business

Linda Brouillette mentioned that SBOA is doing their 2018-2021 audit for the Town of Fowler. This started in the middle of Oct and will run through most of November.

Department Heads

Bill Burton stated that they purchased 4 new pagers and chargers and 3 rechargeable portable LED scene lights with the donation from the Presbyterian Church. Bill also stated that they did assist Boswell with a field fire recently.

Nate Besse is working with a company to inspect the Water Tower. They will be meeting this Wednesday.

Sara Finley stated that Steve Larson was in and discussed a leak that one of his tenants had. The leak was in the meter pit, on his side. Steve would like an adjustment on the water bill. The Council discussed the leak and the water bill. Pat Claire motioned to accept the adjustment that would take the sewage portion back to normal consumption. Mike Sanders seconds. All in favor. Motion carried.

Sara Finley had two quotes from IT Services in Lafayette. The Town Hall previously had Computers Made Easy, but they closed their business. One quote was from Sound Advice for \$640 month and Accent Consulting for \$875 a month. Pat Claire motion to accept Sound Advice as the new IT Service with the exception of looking into their cyber policy and if it's a yearly contract. Mike Sanders seconds. All in favor. Motion carried.

Sara Finley had Ordinance 2022-1107 to increase the sanitation charge of the water bills from \$11-\$13. Mike Sanders motion to suspend the rules and consider Ordinance 2022-1107 on its first reading. Pat Claire seconds. All in favor. Motion carried. Mike Sanders motions to accept Ordinance 2022-1107. Pat Claire seconds. All in favor. Motion carried.

Sara Finley had Resolution 2022-1107 to transfer the remainder balance of the Care's Act of \$359.50. Pat Claire motion to suspend the rules and consider Ordinance 2022-1107 on its first reading. Mike Sanders seconds. All in favor. Motion carried. Pat Claire motions to accept Resolution 2022-1107. Mike Sanders seconds. All in favor. Motion carried.

Sara Finley informed the Council that the employees voted on where to hold the Town Christmas Party. Between the Benton County Country Club and the Fowler Fire Dept, this year the party will be held at the Benton County Country Club.

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

Attest:



Sara Finley, Clerk Treasurer