

FOWLER VILLAGE COUNCIL

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DATE: APRIL 14, 2008

The Fowler Village Council met Monday, April 14, 2008 at 7:00 PM with President Vern Thelen presiding.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND ROLL CALL

The pledge of allegiance was given to the flag. Roll was called and a quorum reported. Present were: Roy Smith, John Childers, David Klein, Rick Fink, Chris Thelen, Dick Pline, John Rademacher and Rhonda Feldpausch.

VILLAGE PERSONNEL

Vern Feldpausch

VISITORS

Kyle Knight – Clinton County Sheriff Department, Glen Feldpausch, Mark Koenigsknecht, Steve Meinhardt – Casair, Inc., and Dave Pohl.

AGENDA

BOARD ACTION: Trustee Pline moved, supported by Trustee Fink, to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

MINUTES

BOARD ACTION: Trustee Pline moved, supported by Trustee Childers, to approve the minutes of the March 10, 2008 regular meeting. Motion carried.

BILLS

BOARD ACTION: Trustee Pline moved, supported by Trustee Smith, to approve payment of \$24,126.59 from the General Fund, \$6,959.89 from the Water O & M Fund, and \$7,040.47 from the Sanitary Sewer O & M Fund. Motion carried.

BUILDING PERMITS

BOARD ACTION: Trustee Klein moved, supported by Trustee Smith, to approve Permit #RD2008-01 submitted by John Spicer. Motion carried.

CASAIR, INC.

Steve Meinhardt – Casair, Inc. was present to discuss placement of equipment on the water tower which would provide high speed internet for area residents.

BOARD ACTION: Trustee Fink moved, supported by Trustee C. The len, to continue negotiations with Casair, Inc. regarding placement of wireless equipment on the water tower. Motion carried.

WATER TREATMENT PLANT

The treatment plant is operational. Automated backwashing has begun . Samples show iron levels have dropped from 1.56 ppm to .05 ppm and arsenic has dropped from 16 ppm to 3 ppm.

CHRIS SNYDER – FINK FIELD MAINTENANCE ITEMS

As a follow-up to request made by Chris Snyder regarding Fink Field maintenance items; the following motion was made.

BOARD ACTION: Trustee Pline moved, supported by Klein, to approve the bid from Done-Rite Fencing in the amount of \$2508.59 for placement

of an eight foot protective fence on either side of the batting area . Motion carried.

TREASURER REPORT

BOARD ACTION: Trustee Fink moved, supported by Trustee Pline, to accept the Treasurer's report as presented. Motion carried.

BOARD ACTION: Trustee Smith moved, supported by trustee Fink, to allow Clinton County Federal Credit Union and Union Bank to be added to the list of acceptable depositories. Motion carried.

PLANNING COMMISSION

The Planning Commission will meet April 21, 2008.

DPW REPORT

Vern Feldpausch, DPW Supervisor, reported on the following issues:

- Project Plan for water treatment plant
- Lagoon sampling and dumping
- Clean and store snow equipment
- Lawn prep work
- Flushing hydrants
- Water testing
- Park maintenance
- Fink field stone dust
- Landscape well house
- Removal of building at Victor Street park
- Work with Clinton County Road Commission on asphalt project on S. Main Street

KYLE KNIGHT – CLINTON COUNTY SHERIFF DEPARTMENT

Kyle Knight discussed the following issues:

- B & E's solved and were found to be a sophisticated operation
- Waldron School yard torn up
- Heroine arrest within village
- PA 85

2008 STREETS AND SIDEWALKS

BOARD ACTION: Trustee Klein moved, supported by Trustee Fink, to approve placement of sidewalks on the west side of Henderson Street from Second Street to Third Street, the south side of Third Street from Henderson Street to Sorrell Street, the west side of Sorrell Street from Third Street to Fourth Street, and the west side of Main Street from Ionia Street to Wayne Street. Motion carried.

CLINTON AREA AMBULANCE AUTHORITY

The City of St. Johns took action to withdraw from the Ambulance Authority. Bingham Township is rumored to be following suit. Trustee Fink will report to the council following his attendance at the next ambulance meeting.

SUMMER HELP

BOARD ACTION: Trustee Fink moved, supported by Trustee Pline, to set the wage for Mark Witgen at \$11.00 per hour. Motion carried.

2008 MILLAGE RATE

BOARD ACTION: Trustee Pline moved, supported by Trustee Fink, to set the 2008 millage rate at 8.25. Motion carried.

SURVEILLANCE CAMERA PROPOSAL

BOARD ACTION: Trustee Klein moved, supported by Trust ee Childers, to approve the bid submitted by M & H Electric in the amount of \$5,600.00 for the installation of surveillance at the intersection of Main Street and Second Street. Motion carried.

DAVE POHL, CLINTON COUNTY
COMMISSIONER

Dave Pohl reported on the following issues:

- Road Commission appointment of new manager
- County health insurance carrier change
- Central Dispatch contract settled
- Rails-to-Trails agreement

CORRESPONDENCE

None.

10 MINUTE OPEN DISCUSSION

Request from MHT Parish Festival Committee to use washable paint on streets and sidewalks was granted.

Information for the reporting of streetlight outages will be added to the website

ADJOURNMENT

BOARD ACTION: Trustee Klein moved, supported by Trustee Pline, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

Adjournment: 9:40 PM

Rhonda Feldpausch, Village Clerk