

# FOWLER VILLAGE COUNCIL

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DATE: APRIL 12, 2010

The Fowler Village Council met Monday, April 12, 2010 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, Dick Pline, John Rademacher, John Childers, Rick Fink, Dave Klein and Rhonda Feldpausch. Absent: Chris Thelen.

VILLAGE PERSONNEL

Vern Feldpausch.

VISITORS

Ken and Kathy Farley and Dave Pohl – Clinton County Commissioner.

AGENDA

Additions to the Agenda – Sanitary Sewer Lining Bids, Fink Field Improvement Projects, Street Asphaltting Bids and Commodities Building Bids

MINUTES

**BOARD ACTION:** Trustee Smith moved, supported by Trustee Fink, to approve the minutes of the March 8, 2010 Regular Meeting as presented. Motion carried.

BILLS

**BOARD ACTION:** Trustee Klein moved, supported by Trustee Fink, to approve payment of \$39,911.54 from the General Fund, \$3,521.00 from the Water O & M Fund, \$448.73 from the Local Street Fund, \$1,056.88 from the Major Street Fund, and \$3,937.43 from the Sanitary Sewer O & M Fund. Motion carried.

ZONING PERMITS

**BOARD ACTION:** Trustee Fink moved, supported by Trustee Klein, to approve Residential Zoning Permit #RD2010-01 submitted by Norm Goerge. Motion carried.

CLINTON COUNTY SHERIFF

Kyle Knight was not present.

TREASURER REPORT

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

PLANNING COMMISSION

Due to a lack of business, the April 13, 2010 Planning Commission meeting was cancelled.

DPW REPORT

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

- Aggregate storage building
- Mowing equipment installation
- Cell #2 lagoon discharge
- Winter equipment storage
- Meter replacement
- 2010 bid work
- Fink Field work

WELL HOUSE – ADDITIONAL LAND PURCHASE

Committee will meet with Dennis and Dan Simon to discuss options.

SANITARY SEWER LINING BIDS

**BOARD ACTION:** Trustee Pline moved, supported by Trustee Smith, to award sanitary sewer lining project to Insituform Technologies for a bid price of \$63,000.00. Motion carried.

FINK FIELD IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS

**BOARD ACTION:** Trustee Klein moved, supported by Trustee Childers, to award Fink Field Improvement Projects to Simon Builders and W & A Masonry for a total bid price of \$22,630.00. Motion carried.

STREET ASPHALTING BIDS

**BOARD ACTION:** Trustee Klein moved, supported by Trustee Smith, to award street asphaltting to Spartan Asphalt for a bid price of \$65,200.00. Motion carried.

FOIA POLICY

**BOARD ACTION:** Trustee Klein moved, supported by Trustee Childers, to adopt the Village of Fowler FOIA Policy and to recognize the clerk has acted, and will continue to act, as the FOIA Coordinator. Motion carried.

RODNEY WITTKOPP – MICHIGAN CRAFTS AND SHOWS

Mr. Wittkopp was not present.

COMMODITIES BUILDING BIDS

**BOARD ACTION:** Trustee Klein moved, supported by Trustee Childers, to award Commodities Building to Schneider Builders and Schneider Concrete for a bid price of \$34,546.00. Motion carried.

TRI-COUNTY OFFICE ON AGING DONATION REQUEST

Correspondence from Tri-County Office on Aging was read. The document contained a request to “remember” the Meals-On-Wheels program during 2010 budgeting. Council desires a more formal donation request. The clerk will contact Tri-County Office on Aging.

CLINTON COUNTY DEPT. OF EQUALIZATION 2010 TAX RATE REQUEST

**BOARD ACTION:** Trustee Pline moved, supported by Trustee Fink, to set the 2010 millage rate at 8.25 mills. Motion carried.

FINALIZE CLERK POSITION

**BOARD ACTION:** Trustee Klein moved, supported by Trustee Childers, to include the rider for college aged dependants in the medical benefit package and to begin full-time status December 1, 2010 with no credit for years of part-time employment. Motion carried.

RESIGNATIONS FROM TRUSTEES CHRIS THELEN AND DICK PLINE

**BOARD ACTION:** Trustee Fink moved, supported by Trustee Smith, to accept resignations from Chris Thelen and Dick Pline. Motion carried.

The council is thankful to both men for their service to the Village of Fowler.

APPOINTMENTS TO VACATED TRUSTEE SEATS

**BOARD ACTION:** Trustee Fink moved, supported by Trustee Klein, to nominate Jim Braman and Greg Halfmann to the vacated trustee seats. Motion carried.

**BOARD ACTION:** Trustee Fink moved, supported by Trustee Klein, to appoint Jim Braman and Greg Halfmann to the vacated trustee seats. Motion carried.

Both seats will expire in November 2010.

DAVE POHL – CLINTON COUNTY COMMISSIONER

Dave was present and discussed the following issues:

- Clinton County Road Commission millage request possibility
- Clinton County health care benefits
- County wind energy conservation system ordinance

CORRESPONDENCE

Clinton County Economic Alliance – breakfast meeting invitation

10 MINUTE OPEN DISCUSSION

None.

ADJOURNMENT

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

Adjournment: 9:05 PM

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Rhonda Feldpausch, Village Clerk