## TOWN OF FERDINAND SPECIAL MEETING

## September 7, 2016

The Ferdinand Town Council met for a special meeting at 4:00 PM on Wednesday, September 9, 2016 in the Town Hall. Present were President, Ken Sicard, Debbie Johnson and Ron Weyer Council members, Clerk Treasurer, Beverly Schulthise, and Town Attorney, Bill Shaneyfelt. We received an award certificate from INDOT for receiving the Community Crossings Grant.

The Begle apartment complex water and sewer utilities extension was discussed. After much discussion the Council agreed to propose to Begle that the Town would enter into a mutually acceptable agreement with Begle whereby the Town would extend water and sewer main lines across property owned or controlled by Begle with Begle providing necessary easements without cost to the Town. The Town Council determined that Begle should pay \$9,300 of the cost to extend the sewer line and \$29,620 of the cost to extend the water line. This would allow for Begle to construct three (3), twelve (12) unit buildings and one (1), eighteen unit building on the property. This would be \$2,067 for each twelve unit building and \$3,100 for the eighteen unit building for sewer, and \$6,582.24 for each twelve unit building and \$9,873 for the eighteen unit building for water. Sewer and water tap in fees as they exist now or in the future would also be due for each building. The Council agreed to extend the lines to facilitate construction and use of the first twelve unit building upon payment of the utility extension and existing tap fees for that unit. Future payments of the utility extension and tap fees would be due before building permits are issued for construction of future buildings. The agreement would bind Begle and any future property owner to pay the remaining unpaid extension and tap fees in full in the event a building permit was requested for any building except the proposed twelve and eighteen unit apartment buildings. Attorney Shaneyfelt will prepare an agreement for approval of Begle and the Town after Debbie Johnson speaks with Randy Begle and notifies Shaneyfelt. Motion was made by Debbie and seconded by Ken. Motion carried 3-yes, 0-no.

Ken said that Keith Fritz and Rock Emmert approached him wanting the Town of Ferdinand to use their not for profit 501c3 IRS classification to apply for a grant thru the Dubois County Community Foundation. They want to paint a mural of a bull on Keith Fritz's 1440 Main street building. The cost is estimated to be \$10,000 and they have \$5000.00 so want a grant for \$5,000. Debbie was not receptive to putting a mural of a bull on a building after she saw what it looked like. Attorney Shaneyfelt cautioned the Council regarding the precedent of using its tax exempt status, which is similar to a 501(c)(3) exemption. He recommended that Mr. Fritz and Emmert seek a private 501(c)(3) to apply for the grant, which would allow them greater artistic freedom.

Town is waiting for two things yet on RD loan for waste water system improvements for phosphorus removal and the bio solids processing facility. The Engineers from RD have to approve the construction design, and closing instruction of RD general Counsel. Mike Strahl from RD and Jon Wetzel from Midwestern

Engineers Inc. are recommending to go forward with bidding out construction project. Ron made motion and Debbie seconded to authorize advertisement for bids on waste water system improvement project with opening bids on October 11 at 8:00 PM. Motion carried 3-yes, 0-no. There will be a pre bid conference at 10:00 AM.

As there was no further business to discuss, Debbie made a motion to adjourn and Ron seconded. Motion carried 3-Yes 0-No. Meeting adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

Next regular meeting is September 13, 2016 at 7:30 p.m. The meeting of Economic Development Commission will meet on September 13, 2016 at 6:00 PM. The Park Board will meet on Wednesday, October 5, 2016 at 4:30 PM. Zoning Board will meet Wednesday, September 25, 2016 at 6:30 PM and Plan Commission meeting will be at 7:00 PM. Budget Hearing is September 13, 2016 at 7:30 PM and Budget adoption October 11, 2016 at 7:30 PM.

ATTEST:

Clerk-Treasurer

FERDINAND TOWN COUNCIL