

## TOWN OF FERDINAND

### REGULAR MEETING

January 12, 2016

Before the meeting began, the oath of office for Town Council members was given by Beverly Schulthise, Clerk-Treasurer who had been given the oath by Dubois County Clerk, Bridgette Jarboe. The Ferdinand Town Council then met for their regular meeting at 7:30 PM on Tuesday, January 12, 2016 in the Town Hall. Present were Ken Sicard, Ron Weyer, Debbie Johnson, Council members, Clerk Treasurer, Beverly Schulthise, and Town Attorney, Bill Shaneyfelt. Dolores Boeglin was given the oath of office for Park Board member. Ron made a motion and Debbie seconded to nominate Ken Sicard for President. Debbie made a motion to nominate Ron Weyer for Vice-President and Ken seconded. Both motions carried and Ken Sicard is Town Council President and Ron Weyer Vice-President for 2016. Minutes of the December 15, 2015 meeting was approved on motion by Debbie and seconded by Ron. Minutes approved with 3-yes, 0-no.

Lloyd Froman, Chief gave the December and annual police report. He put an ad in Herald and Ferdinand News for anyone interested in becoming a reserve police officer for Ferdinand Police Dept. to come to police station on Saturday, January 16 and pass an agility test. Corporal Bill Meyer was presented with a plaque for his many years of service as a reserve.

Dan Lindauer, Fire Chief, reported 7 runs in December, three of which were fires and 4 first responder runs. In 2015 the fire department responded to 139 calls. Henry Haake, Utility Superintendent, said he will do a pole count to find out how many poles PSC is on. He is replacing a pole at 18<sup>th</sup> street Park.

Tom Lueken, Property Manager, said picking up limbs from December 28<sup>th</sup> storm. Department also cleaned out storm drains at several locations, patching potholes when the weather allows, and doing winter repair and maintenance. He wants to install basin at 9<sup>th</sup> and Virginia St and going North on Virginia install some inlets.

Roger Schaefer, Wastewater Superintendant is using the TV camera for sewer lines and storm drains. He is working on inventory. He asked for permission to write specs and seek bids for a replacement truck for the 1987 GMC. He was directed to seek bids with and without a plow attachment.

Dolores Boeglin said that work will start soon for 5<sup>th</sup> St. shelterhouse renovation. Tree trimming is going on at 5<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> street parks.

Chris James, Town Manager, said the Chamber is looking to fill the office of Secretary. They have a President, Vice-president and Treasurer. Chamber is going to diligently work on sign on Northside in 2016. The Dubois County Leadership Academy will have a Board meeting on January 27<sup>th</sup>. They will be working with HR departments to get students. Ferdinand Folkfest committee is planning the musical acts for 2016. On March 19 they will announce who the headliner and other musicians and acts will be. On February 16 at the Legion in Ferdinand Homeland Security rep will be going over rules for festivals. The True Vine Baptist Church will be having a fundraiser on March 26 at 9:00 AM at 18<sup>th</sup> street park. It will be a 5K run for Belize

Mission and they will also be utilizing a few streets for this on the North side of 18<sup>th</sup> Street park. Debbie made a motion to approve the route and Ron seconded. Motion carried 3-yes, 0-no.

Roger is working to get a water line run to what will be the new building for the Phosphorus project. All the trees are down at the site that needed to be removed. The logs are set out for forester to review and grade. He will give information to Bill so he can write ad for bidding the sale of logs. Hopefully we will have funding approval by end of March, 2016 for project. However, we need to request an extension for construction to IDEM since April is the time line set forth by IDEM. Debbie made a motion and Ron seconded authorizing a request for extension. Motion carried 3-yes, 0-no. A date will be determined after discussion with RD when we expect to get the funding.

A date for a meeting will be decided for Comprehensive Plan update at Plan Commission meeting this month. Dollar General storm water remediation is complete. Steve Grundhoefer wants to see how it looks when dry before approving. We are waiting for certification from Primavera. Monster Recycling offered to pay \$1800 to settle a claim. Ron made motion to accept and Debbie seconded. Motion carried 3-yes, 0-no. Henry is getting pricing for water line to Best Home Furnishings. Bill said Council needs a map. Henry said all lines will be within existing Town street right-of-way.

IN 15 Regional planning is working on completing the firefighters grant application. Frontier has moved their pole off the area where Tom is going to do cur work. Still to be moved is a Ferdinand utility pole and fire hydrant.

Ordinance 2016-01, an ordinance amending the Ferdinand Municipal code Chapter 1.10 entitled policy and procedure for use of the Ferdinand Senior Citizens Center was approved at meeting introduced on motion by Ron and seconded by Debbie. Motion carried 3-yes, 0-no. This updates the costs to rent the Senior Center. The Park fee ordinance was tabled. Bill is working with Frontier for a pole rental contract. They have line on 416 of our poles and we have lines on 102 of their poles. The yearly rental cost to Frontier would be \$3,140. Bill will send the contract to Frontier for their signature. Ron made a motion and Debbie seconded to approve the contract and send to Frontier for their signatures. Motion carried 3-yes, 0-no.

Bev requested to hire Jane Oeding part-time for the Town Office starting January 18<sup>th</sup> and work part-time at \$12.00 an hour. Ron made motion and Debbie seconded. Motion carried 3-yes, 0-no. She will work 20-24 hours a week. The work order/contract for professional services with IN 15 Regional Planning for updating Zoning Map for Town of Ferdinand was approved at a cost of \$2340 plus any additional maps for \$30.00 each. Debbie made motion and Ron seconded. Motion carried 3-yes, 0-no.

Ordinance 2016-02, an emergency ordinance for the transfer of appropriations for several funds of the Town of Ferdinand, Indiana, for the year 2015 as requested by the department heads and forwarded to the Town Council for their action and passage and adoption pursuant to IC 6-1.1-18-6 was approved on motion by Ron and seconded by Debbie at meeting introduced. Motion carried 3-yes, 0-no. This transferred \$21,600 within the Park Fund. Bill said Town has some surplus property near Industrial Park Road and 23<sup>rd</sup> Street close to the

fire station. Best Home Furnishings would be interested in purchasing this remnant property if the Town would be interested in selling. Right now the property is being mowed but not used for anything. Tom will check with State because it is along Industrial Park Road. Survey work and appraisals of property would have to be done. A motion was made by Debbie and seconded by Ken to acknowledge and approve signing and adopting the Council Member disclosure of relative contract with Municipality and Ron Weyer and Weyer Electric according to Indiana Code 36-1-21-5. Motion carried 2-yes, and 1-abstain.

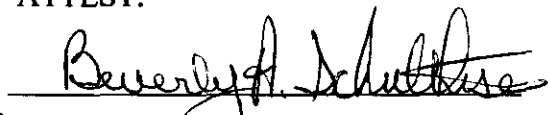
Claims in the amount of \$295,198.38 and \$90,626.52 were approved to pay on motion by Ron and seconded by Debbie. Motion carried 3-yes, 0-no.

As there was no further business to discuss, Debbie made a motion to adjourn. Ron seconded. Motion carried 3-Y 0-N. Meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Next regular meeting is February 9, 2016 at 7:30 p.m. The meeting of Economic Development Commission will meet on February 9, 2016 at 6:00 PM. Wednesday, January 27, 2016 will be BZA meeting at 6:30 PM and Plan Commission meeting at 7:00 PM.

ATTEST:

FERDINAND TOWN COUNCIL

  
Clerk-Treasurer

