

TOWN OF FERDINAND

SPECIAL MEETING

March 9, 2023

The Ferdinand Town Council met for a Special Meeting at 5:30 PM on Thursday, March 9, 2023 in the Ferdinand Town Hall. Present were Council President, Ken Sicard; Vice-President, Debbie Johnson; Council Member, Ron Weyer; Attorney, Sharon Bohnenkemper and Clerk-Treasurer, Tamara Miller.

At 5:30 PM Ron Weyer moved to close the acceptance of bids for the CCMG 2022-02 projects. Debbie seconded. Motion carried 3-0. The bids for the CCMG 2022-02 were opened.

<u>Contractors:</u>	<u>Base Bid #1</u>	<u>Alternate Bid #1</u>	<u>Unit Price per Cubic Yard</u>
E&B Paving - Clarksville, IN	\$1,261,900.00	\$25,700.00	\$200.00
Knies Construction - Jasper, IN	\$737,222.50	\$14,100.00	\$60.00

Debbie moved to take the bids under advisement and announce their decision at the March 21, 2023 Town Council Meeting. Ron seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Ken moved to reschedule the April Town Council meeting to April 11, 2023 at 6:30 PM. Debbie seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Ron moved to approve the controlled burn request made by Craig Recker to burn a brush pile on the Tretter property at the edge of town. Debbie seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Debbie moved to approve the request to declare certain equipment as surplus and to advertise such equipment for sale-1999 salt spreader, vibratory roller and Trail Hopper grass catcher, and to set the bid opening for April 11, 2023 at 6:45 PM. Ron seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Ron moved to approve the request to advertise the 202 East 3rd Street Renovation project and set the bid opening for April 11, 2023 at 7:15 PM. Debbie seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Debbie presented a landscaping plan from Buschkeotter's Nursery for the Town Hall including a live Christmas tree. She had sought quotes on live and artificial trees earlier. Ron moved to approve the plan up to \$7,300 with Debbie modifying the presented design as needed. Debbie seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Amanda Kemper, a utility customer, requested a water credit due to a water leak on her property. Currently, the Town does not allow for reductions in water bills due to water leaks on the customer's property. There is a process to apply for a sewer credit due to excess water usage. Because the customer has a septic system, the sewer credit is not applicable. The Council will take the request

under advisement. Until a decision is made, Kemper is to make payments on her account based on her past regular water usage.

James requested approval of the 2023 annual \$5,269 Lamar billboard invoice on the interstate. The Volunteer Fire Department will contribute \$500 and the Town, Folk Fest, and Ferdinand Tourism will split the remaining cost. Debbie moved to approve the request. Ron seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

The 2023 Forest Park Lady Rangers Basketball Team won the 2A State Championship on Saturday, February 25, 2023, for a second consecutive year. To applaud the hard work and dedication shown by the 2023 Forest Park Lady Rangers Basketball Team, Head Coach Tony Hasenour and his coaching staff, Ron moved to adopt the Proclamation stating, "We declare and proclaim the Week of March 13, 2023 as 2023 Lady Ranger Basketball Team Week." Debbie seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Lueken requested permission to not renew the compost permit with the state. The compost area is not a viable site for compost and is not utilized by the Town. Debbie moved to approve the request. Ron seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Debbie moved to pay regular claims. Ron seconded. Motioned carried 3-0.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Town Council Meeting	Tuesday	March 21, 2023 at 6:30 PM
Town Council Meeting	Tuesday	April 11, 2023 at 6:30 PM
BZA	Wednesday	March 22, 2023 at 6:30 PM
Plan Commission	Wednesday	March 22, 2023 at 7:00 PM
Park Board	Wednesday	April 12, 2023 at 4:30 PM
Economic Development Comm.	Monday	May 1, 2023 at 6:00 PM

As there was no further business to discuss, Debbie moved to adjourn. Ron seconded. Motion carried 3-0. Meeting adjourned at 6:30 PM.

ATTEST:

FERDINAND TOWN COUNCIL



Clerk-Treasurer





