

TOWN OF FERDINAND

REGULAR MEETING

February 19, 2019

The Ferdinand Town met for their regular meeting at 7:30 PM on Tuesday, February 19, 2019 in the Town Hall. Present were President, Ken Sicard, Debbie Johnson, Vice-President and Ron Weyer, Council member, Tamara Miller, Clerk-Treasurer and Town Attorney, Sharon Bohnenkemper. Ron moved to approved the Minutes of the January 15, 2019 and February 1, 2019 meetings. Deb seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Froman reported January police activity. He stated full time officer, Beau Anderson, and two reserve officers, Trevor Vaal and Troy Leinenbach have resigned. Froman will advertise these openings. Anderson remains a reserve officer.

John Hoppenjans reported the fire department had one fire run and nine first responder calls in January.

Steve Becher reported on the electric department noting two power outages in January.

Tom Lueken reported for the street department and gave a Thomas building update. Deb moved to approve Lueken's request to attend Purdue Road School March 5, 6 & 7th including 2 nights hotel, travel and meals. Ron seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Roger Schaefer gave the water and sewer department reports. DNR has inspected the Old and New Lakes. Roger is working with Bannon Engineering on the New Lake spillway to correct the issue. The Old Lake passed inspection.

At 7:45 PM there was a motion by Ron to close the receipt of bids for the refuse packing truck. Deb seconded. Motion carried 3-0. Central Indiana Truck Equipment Corp. submitted a bid for \$146,635 less a trade of \$2,000 for a net price of \$144,635. Financing and lease options (5 & 7 years) are attached. Best Equipment Co., Inc. submitted a bid for \$148,657.50 less a trade of \$5,000 for a net price of \$143,657.50. Financing and lease options are attached. Ron moved the bids be taken under advisement to be revisited at the Special Meeting on Friday, February 22nd at 1:00 PM. Deb seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Matt Weyer gave a park update noting the major lease meeting was held for 2019. He requested the process begin to allow the park to transfer approximately \$80,000 unspent funds from the 2018 budget to the 2019 budget and that a hearing date for the Additional Park Appropriation of \$80,000 be set for March 19, 8 PM and the "Notice to Taxpayers of Proposed Additional Appropriations" be published in the February 27 issue of the Ferdinand News. Deb moved to approve the request. Ron seconded. Motion carried 3-0. Tom reported vandalism at the 5th street park restrooms. The area is being monitored.

James reported the DC Leadership Academy is accepting applications through March 27. He encouraged citizens to complete the online survey regarding the potential merger of the Ferdinand and Huntingburg Chambers of Commerce. The Folk Fest planning continues including donation letter mailings.

He thanked everyone for attending the groundbreaking ceremony for the Veteran's Memorial. He will be attending a FMLA day seminar on March 4, 2019.

At 8:00 PM the utility hearing for Ordinance 2019-01 Amending the Schedule of Charges for Use of and Services Rendered by the Water Utility of the Town of Ferdinand was held. It was introduced at the January meeting. Ken Sicard explained the reasons for the water rate increase, mainly water tank refurbishing, water line maintenance and the Patoka Water rate increase of \$.65 per 1,000 gallons. Deb moved to approve the Ordinance as presented. Ron seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Matt Weyer reported the OTL project is out for public bid. The bid opening has been moved to Friday, February 22 at 1:00 PM.

Steve and Roger gave an update of the Sisters project.

Ken is working to update the OTL Dam -ER & Maintenance Plan.

Roger reported Suez completed inspection of the water towers and will submit their report and price quote after their engineers review in a couple of weeks.

Ron moved to allow Ken Sicard and Tamara Miller to sign the Town contract with Dubois Strong for 2019 in the amount of \$5,062.78. Deb seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Ron reported we are still reviewing the two bids for the Electric Utility Infrastructure. We have 90 days to respond. Both bids for the electric surplus equipment were rejected.

Bohnenkemper explained the Agreement Regarding Municipal Election with the Dubois County Election Board. Deb moved to allow Sicard and Miller to sign off on the contract. Ron seconded. Motion carried. 3-0.

James reported Policy Handbook progress. Discussion followed regarding Police Vehicle Take-Home Policy, use of Town vehicle, and sick day addition (grandchild). The Council will take under advisement and revisit at the next meeting. Froman presented the proposed police comp time policy. Deb moved that the Police Officer (Randle) covering the night shift during vacancies, receive \$1 additional compensation while covering night shift. Ron seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Ron moved to accept the Resolution 2019-02 to delay opening of the Old Town Lake Bids. Bids will be opened at 1:00 PM on Friday, February 22, 2019 at Town Hall. Deb seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Becher explained the details of the proposed Pole Agreement with SITCO. Discussion followed. No action taken at this time so additional information could be gathered as to the company's intentions.

Ron moved to allow Miller to attend the ILMCT Institute and Academy March 10-14, 2019 \$450 fee, room, travel and meals. Deb seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Regular claims in the amounts of \$633,690.99 and \$1,046,980.92 were approved to pay on motion by Ron and seconded by Deb. Motion carried to pay regular claims 3-0.

The following announcements were read:

Town Council Special Meeting	Friday	February 22, 2019 at 1:00 PM
Town Council	Tuesday	March 19, 2019 at 7:30 PM
BZA	Wednesday	March 6, 2019 at 6:30 PM
Plan Commission	Wednesday	February 27, 2019 at 7:00 PM
Park Board	Wednesday	March 6, 2019 at 4:30 PM
Economic Development Commission	Monday	March 18, 2019 at 6:00 PM

At 9:00 PM Ron moved to close the quotes for the mini-excavator and trailer. Deb seconded.

Motion carried 3-0.

Mini Excavator bids:

Hopf Equipment	2019 KXO57-4R3A	\$62,617.00
Hopf Equipment	2019 Bobcat E50T4 M3219	\$57,100.00
Black Equipment	55Z-1 T4	\$62,192.00
Hudson Incorporated	2019 John Deere 50G	\$61,593.61
Whayne Supply Co.	2018 Caterpillar 305E2	\$64,239.00

Trailer Bids:

Karrs	2019 Better Built 16+5	\$8,210.00
Karrs	2019 Mortiz Tilt	\$9,020.10 (with tax) \$8,430.00 (w/o tax)
Hopf Equipment	2018 Gatormade 16t5	\$7,900.00
Hopf Equipment	2019 Sure-Trac	\$8,250.00
Black Equipment	2019 Big Tex 16 PH	\$13,650.00
Black Equipment	2019 Big Tex Tilt	\$12,900.00

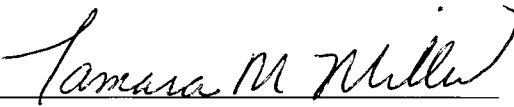
Deb moved to take quotes under advisement to be revisited at the next regular Council meeting.

Ron seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Deb moved to adjourn. Ron seconded. Motion carried 3-0. Meeting adjourned at 9:10 PM.

ATTEST:

FERDINAND TOWN COUNCIL



Clerk-Treasurer

