

FOWLER BOARD OF TRUSTEES

317 S. Main Street

August 14, 2017 6:00 p.m.

Mayor Chuck Hitchcock called the meeting to order and led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: Mayor Chuck Hitchcock; Trustees Andy Lotrich, Randy McKown and Emil Rogge.

Absent: Trustees Nathan Shultz and Diana Saxon

Staff present: Interim Administrator Dan Hyatt, Chief of Police Jake Freidenberger, Patrolman Troy Morgan, Public Works Foreman Daniel Sotomayor, Librarian Stephanie Delaney, Pool Manager Tori Harris and Town Clerk Kelly Lotrich.

Changes to the Agenda

NONE

Consent Agenda

MOTION (57-17) Trustee Lotrich moved to approve all items on the consent agenda which consists of:

- Previous minutes- July 10, 2017
- Liquor License Renewal-Tamarack Grill-No violations
- Mayor to sign documents approved at this meeting

Trustee McKown seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Public Comments

Becca Sharp, Missouri Day committee chairman, updated the board on Missouri Day. She said there was a very large turnout at the rodeo and dance.

Ms. Sharp informed the board that next year the parade route might change.

Next year the Missouri Day committee would like to extend the beer garden at the rodeo grounds.

Ms. Sharp commended the public works department for all their help with Missouri Day.

Shiann Garrett and Becca Sharp are heading up a Fall Festival in October this year. It would be on October 28, 2017.

They would like to have vendors and activities at the park. A kickball tournament would be held at Park School.

The Fall Festival committee would like to have a dance and beer garden in the park that evening.

MOTION (58-17) Trustee Rogge moved to authorize the Fall Festival committee to host the Fall Festival in the Town Park and behind Park School. Trustee McKown seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Hitchcock stated that he had nothing to report.

Committee/Board Reports

None

Pool Report

Tori Harris, Pool manager, informed the board that the pool season went well. They did have to close a couple of days because of bad weather and cold temperatures.

Ms. Harris would like to have a new shack next year. There were issues with leaking in the shack when it would rain. The bathrooms also need to be updated. The pool will need to be repainted before we open next year.

There have been many requests for a baby pool or splash pad.

The fundraiser for the Leone, Petty and DeVore family was a large success. They raised over \$500.00 to be donated to the three families.

It was suggested that the pool purchases a lightening detecting device for the pool.

Library Report

Stephanie Delaney, Librarian, presented the board with a written library report.

Public Works Report

Daniel Sotomayor, Public Works Foreman, informed the board that public works department has been working on:

- 18 tons of asphalt for potholing
- Mowing at the park and cemetery
- Locating water and sewer lines
- Drained the pool today
- Mosquito spraying in the evenings

Police Report

Jake Freidenberger, Police Chief, informed the board that the police department has been busy with:

- Received quarterly report from dispatch-240 call outs so far
- Assisted Crowley County
- Assisted Rocky Ford
- Officer Shawcroft is working on weed and dog violations
- Officer Morgan is working on traffic
- 2 search warrants resulting in over 160 lbs. of illegal marijuana

Administrator Report

Dan Hyatt, Town administrator, informed the board that the state is passing a new law limiting how many marijuana plants can be on a property.

Mr. Hyatt stated the waste at the old landfill will be tested for asbestos on Wednesday.

Mr. Hyatt received an estimate from BluSky on the old town hall repairs. BluSky has received the ok from the insurance company to replace the roof over the old police department and the ceiling tiles in the old police department. This is in addition to the first assessment that the insurance company okayed.

Mr. Hyatt would like permission to continue potholing and come back to the board with a supplemental budget later.

MOTION (59-17) Trustee McKown moved to allow public works to continue potholing not to exceed \$12,000.00 and to come before the board with a supplemental budget at the next meeting. Trustee Rogge seconded the motion and the motion passed with Trustee Lotrich voting no.

Unfinished Business

Drinking water project update-Eric Jenkins

Eric Jenkins, IMEG(TTG) engineer, informed the board that there has been an increase in costs to the water treatment plant. The engineers are considering moving the treatment plant to the Hammond well instead of the water towers.

The cost of the project increased from \$378,000 to \$544,633. The town will have to look at different ways to fund the difference.

The engineers are considering ways to cut the cost of the project by having the public works department help with the labor aspect of the project.

The board would like to see what kind of cost savings there would be if the public works crew does some of the work themselves. They would also like to have a cost comparison of the beginning of the project and the current changes to the project.

New Business

CDOT signage-Museum, Golfing, Park-\$875.00

MOTION (60-17) Trustee Lotrich moved to approve paying CDOT signage for the Museum, golfing and the park. Trustee Rogge seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

IMEG(TTG) Invoice No. 01430040.02-6-Waste Water-\$6,975.10

MOTION (61-17) Trustee McKown moved to approve IMEG(TTG) Invoice No. 01430040.02-6 in the amount \$6,975.10 for wastewater treatment plant. Trustee White seconded the motion and the motion passed with Trustee Rogge voting no.

Roping Club Lease

The board discussed ideas on how the Roping Club could host events and present winners at Missouri Day. The board will make decisions on the lease in January.

Supplemental Budget-Discussion

Mr. Hyatt will bring a supplemental budget resolution before the board at the next trustee meeting.

Ordinance No. 733-17: AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A WATER AUGMENTATION FEE

Trustee Lotrich introduced Ordinance No. 733-17: AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A WATER AUGMENTATION FEE by title only.

MOTION (62-17) Trustee McKown moved to adopt Ordinance No. 733-17: AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A WATER AUGMENTATION FEE. Trustee Lotrich seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Adjournment

MOTION (63-17) Trustee McKown moved that the meeting adjourn. Trustee Lotrich seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Chuck Hitchcock
Mayor

Kelly Lotrich, CMC
Town Clerk