

FOWLER BOARD OF TRUSTEES

317 S. Main Street

September 11, 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 Emil Rogge, Lowell White, Nathan Shultz and Diana Saxon. Trustees Andy Lotrich and Randy McKown arrived at 6:02 p.m.

Absent: NONE

Staff present: Interim Administrator Dan Hyatt, Chief of Police Jake Freidenberger, Public Works Foreman Daniel Sotomayor, Librarian Stephanie Delaney and Town Clerk Kelly Lotrich.

Changes to the Agenda

NONE

Consent Agenda

MOTION (64-17) Trustee Rogge moved to approve all items on the consent agenda which consists of:

- Previous minutes- August 14, 2017
- Mayor to sign documents approved at this meeting

Trustee White seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Public Hearing

Mayor Hitchcock called the public meeting to order.

Interim Town Administrator, Dan Hyatt gave a breakdown of what expenses were entailed in the supplemental budget resolution.

There were no public comments.

Each of the Trustees made comments concerning the supplemental budget resolution.

MOTION (65-17) Trustee Lotrich moved to adopt Resolution No. 1003-17: A RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING ADDITIONAL SUMS OF MONEY TO DEFRAY EXPENSES IN EXCESS OF AMOUNTS BUDGETED FOR THE TOWN OF FOWLER, COLORADO. Trustee Shultz seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Public Comments

NONE

Mayor's Report

Mayor Hitchcock apologized to the board for not being able to attend the Town's summer BBQ.

Committee/Board Reports

Trustee White stated that a boy scout will be constructing new flag holders for the cemetery as one of his projects.

Trustee Saxon attended a Colorado Springs water tour last week.

Trustee Lotrich stated that OCLI/OPI had a problem with landfill #1. They are considering different ways to close the landfill without increasing costs.

Trustee Lotrich stated that the recycling audit is considering what it would cost to have curbside recycling in the town.

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:

- Fixed water leaks
- Had lead testing done at the pool house
- Demo at the pool house
- Ordered paint for the pool-Public Works will be completing the painting
- Mowing at the park and cemetery
- Locating water and sewer lines
- Mosquito spraying in the evenings
- Finish potholing
- Fire extinguishers tested
- Repairs to the vac truck

The mayor would like public works to consider crack sealing a couple of blocks this year.

Mr. Sotomayor is looking at the sewer lines in town. He is wanting to jet them at the beginning of the Spring season and at the end of the Fall season to keep them cleaned out.

Police Report

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

- Served warrants
- Burglary
- Officer Shawcroft is attending an SRO (school resource officer) course this week
- Officer Morgan is working on traffic
- Cleaning out old files
- Working traffic at the school

Chief is still trying to get in touch with Axon for the body cams.

Administrator Report

Interim Administrator, Dan Hyatt informed the board that he attended a meeting with CDOT about the Bustang route. Bustang is looking for a place to set a bus stop. Mr. Hyatt thought the park would be a good place to set the bus stop. The town would have to lay a concrete pad for it. Bustang provides the bus stop. They are planning on starting the route in January.

MOTION (66-17) Trustee McKown moved to approve pouring a concrete pad on the west side of the park for the Bustang bus stop. Trustee Rogge seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Unfinished Business

Discussion on Water Treatment Plant

Public Works Director, Daniel Sotomayor would like to use the west bay of the public works shop to put the water treatment plant. He said some of the positives are that it is already heated and it already has a roof on it. There is an existing sewer and possible water line already there too. Mr. Sotomayor suggests purchasing two storage units to store the extra equipment opening that extra bay. There will be additional engineering costs for the new design.

New Business

Farm Lease

MOTION (67-17) Trustee Shultz moved to approve the farm lease to form and to authorize the mayor to sign the lease after the tenant signs the lease. Trustee McKown seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Farm House Lease

MOTION (68-17) Trustee Shultz moved to approve the farm house lease to form and authorize the mayor to sign the lease after the tenant signs the lease. Trustee Lotrich seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Resolution No. 1004-17: A RESOLUTION APPOINTING A BUDGET OFFICER FOR BUDGET YEAR 2018 AND ESTABLISHING A CALENDAR FOR CONSIDERATION AND ADOPTION OF THE TOWN OF FOWLER'S 2018 BUDGET

MOTION (69-17) Trustee Shultz moved to adopt Resolution No. 1004-17: A RESOLUTION APPOINTING A BUDGET OFFICER FOR BUDGET YEAR 2018 AND ESTABLISHING A CALENDAR FOR CONSIDERATION AND ADOPTION OF THE TOWN OF FOWLER'S 2018 BUDGET. Trustee Lotrich seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Executive Session for a conference with the Town attorney for the purpose of receiving legal advice on specific legal questions under C.R.S. Section 24-6-402

MOTION (70-17) Trustee McKown moved to go into Executive Session for a conference with the Town attorney for the purpose of receiving legal advice on

specific legal questions under C.R.S Section 24-6-402. Trustee Saxon seconded the motion and the motion passed with Trustees Shultz and Rogge voting no.

Back into open session at 7:47 p.m.

Appointment of Special Council

MOTION (71-17) Trustee Lotrich moved to approve hiring Jamie Cotter as the Town's special council. Trustee McKown seconded the motion and the motion passed with Trustees White and Shultz voting no.

Adjournment

MOTION (72-17) 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