

FOWLER BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING

114 E Cranston Ave.
June 12, 2023, 6:00 p.m.

Mayor Lucas Flanscha called the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees to order at 6:00 p.m. and led those present in the pledge of allegiance.

Due to the COVID-19 virus, the meeting was held with virtual access provided through GoToMeeting.

Present: Mayor Lucas Flanscha; Trustees Tracy Nelson, Brenda Eddy, and Chad Bouldin.

Absent: Trustee Kirk Lamphier, Rory Carnes, and Cindy Allen.

Staff present: Town Clerk/Administrator Kelly Lotrich, Public Works Foreman Brent Bitter and Police Chief Ryan Shelefontiuk.

Changes to the Agenda

NONE

Consent Agenda

MOTION (34-23) Trustee Nelson moved to approve all items on the consent agenda which consists of:

- Approval of previous Minutes-May 15, 2023
- Mayor to Sign documents approved at this meeting.

Trustee Eddy seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Public Comment

Cindy Snodgrass, 10th St. resident read a written statement about barking dogs in her neighborhood.

KJ Becker, 209 9th St., sent a text message to Cindy Snodgrass to read to the board about the dogs in the neighborhood.

Jennifer Bressler, 303 10th St., spoke to the board about the noise and dogs in the neighborhood.

Brent Denney, 205 10th St, spoke to the board about the noise and dogs in the neighborhood.

Tim Bressler, 303 10th St., spoke to the board about his neighbors that drive too fast and honk their horns. Mr. Bressler also inquired on how to remove Fowler Police Department from the 317 Main St address.

Reports

Mayor's Report-

Mayor Flansch has nothing to report. He would like to let public works know that the cemetery looks nice.

Committee/Board Reports-

- Trustee Bouldin-Missouri Day committee is having trees trimmed, ground out a couple of stumps and adding shades to the bleachers.
- Trustee Nelson-Attended the Golf Course meeting. The water pump at the golf course burnt. They will look into replacing it. There will be a tree board meeting on June 22 @ 4:30. Trustee Nelson agrees that the cemetery looks nice.
- Trustee Eddy-None

Library Report- Librarian Kristine Gonzales presented a written report for the board.

Public Works Report- Administrator Kelly Lotrich informed the board that the public works department has been working on:

- Spraying weeds in the streets.
- Replaced ten fire hydrants this year.
- The concrete barrier around the tree in the park is finished.
- Will spray for mosquitos when the pump gets here.

Police Report- Chief Ryan Shelefantiuk presented a written report to the board. Chief Shelefantiuk also reported that the booking procedure has changed to booking into Bent County instead of La Junta until the new jail is finished.

Police Vehicle

MOTION (35-23) Trustee Nelson moved to purchase a new police vehicle from Tri-County in La Junta. Trustee Bouldin seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer Report- Cindy Karle presented the board with a written report.

Administrator Report- Administrator Kelly Lotrich informed the board that Dan Tucker did not believe he would have the time to help with the augmentation line. He gave a couple of recommendations that Administrator Lotrich is looking into.

Administrator Lotrich and Public works Forman Bitter met with SECWCD for an update on the Ark Valley Conduit. They are hoping the town can have the delivery (spur) line built by early 2026 in advance of the trunk line that might be to the delivery point sometime in 2027.

Public Works Truck

MOTION (36-23) Trustee Nelson moved to keep the truck and take the \$7,276.33 from insurance for the damages and to then use that money for

the transfer of the oldest police truck to public works and the money to be used for the Police Departments new vehicle. Trustee Bouldin seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Tree Trimming

MOTION (37-23) Trustee Bouldin moved to approve the purchase of a disc up to \$600.00 for public works. Trustee Eddy seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Unfinished Business

Landscaping at Park School/Library

The town received two bids for the landscaping at Park School/Library

MOTION (38-23) Trustee Bouldin moved to accept the bid for landscaping at Park School/Library from R&R tree service for \$9,460.00. Trustee Nelson seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

MOTION (39-23) Trustee Nelson moved to authorize Administrator Lotrich to have the tree's trimmed at Park School/Library, not to exceed \$6,000.00. Trustee Eddy seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Diven Property Rent

MOTION (40-23) Trustee Eddy moved to have public works paint and repair the ceiling in the rental house at Diven's. Trustee Bouldin seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

New Business

Easement request from Southern Colorado Solar

Table this item until the next meeting.

Missouri Day Sponsorship

MOTION (41-23) Trustee Bouldin moved to approve Missouri Day sponsorship in the amount of \$1,000.00. Trustee Eddy seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Liquor License Special Event Permit-411 6th St (all paperwork in, no violations)

MOTION (42-23) Trustee Bouldin moved to approve liquor license special event permit for 411 6th St. Trustee Nelson seconded the motion and the motion passed with Trustee Eddy voting no.

Liquor License Special Event Permit-111 E Park (all paperwork in, no violations)

MOTION (42-23) Trustee Bouldin moved to approve liquor license special event permit for 111 E Park. Trustee Nelson seconded the motion and the motion passed with Trustee Eddy voting no.

Ordinance No. 752-23: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING FOWLER, COLORADO CODE OF ORDINANCES, TITLE 2-ADMINISTRATION AND PERSONNEL, CHAPTER 2.56 CEMETERIES-SECTION 140 PROHIBITIONS

Trustee Bouldin introduced Ordinance No. 752-23: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING FOWLER, COLORADO CODE OF ORDINANCES, TITLE 2-ADMINISTRATION AND PERSONNEL, CHAPTER 2.56 CEMETERIES-SECTION 140 PROHIBITIONS by title only.

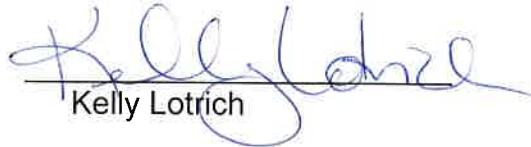
MOTION (43-23) Trustee Bouldin moved to adopt Ordinance No. 752-23: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING FOWLER, COLORADO CODE OF ORDINANCES, TITLE 2-ADMINISTRATION AND PERSONNEL, CHAPTER 2.56 CEMETERIES-SECTION 140 PROHIBITIONS. Trustee Eddy seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Adjournment

MOTION (44-23) Trustee Bouldin moved that the meeting adjourn. Trustee Nelson seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.



Lucas Flanscha
Mayor



Kelly Lotrich