

January 3, 2019

Meeting of the Vernon Town Council. Meeting brought to order at 7PM by Mayor Dan Wright.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read by the clerk, with John making a motion to pass as read with a second by Danny Stark, with all in favor.

Public comments:

Mr. Davers is still concerned about the wood on Gaines Street. Discussion with the council and Dan asking Ron to contact H & L and see if they can come down and cut into smaller pieces that can be handled.

Dan Wright brought up the salary ordinance for 2019. Everything will remain the same, but Jean wanted to know about how they were going to increase Ron Hendershots salary with the extra water testing he is going to have to do. Discussion with John making a motion to pay Ron 600 in the winter months and 800 in the summer months. The extra 200 will come from the water for the testing, this was given a second by Danny Stark with all in favor. Jean will type it up and get signatures at the next meeting.

While on the subject of salaries, Shelly wanted to know why we have the gym scheduling in Darlene Starks name and not Dannys. Discussion with Danny Stark giving her the reason because of his pension when he turned 62. So he asked the clerk to put it back in his name.

Council:

Shelly went down to check on the firehouse and feels it should work as a town hall and water/sewer office. But, she feels there is some work that will need to be done. She did not think the fire department has not been taking very good care of the building. Shelly thinks a special meeting of the council to look over the property the Town for for future projects that need attention. John and Danny and Dan agreed this is a good idea - the 26 of January at 9:00 am meet at the Town Hall - they asked the clerk to post in the Plain Dealer.

Shelly sat in with Jean at the exit conference on the 2014/2017 audit. The Town needs to have a Credit Card policy, she asked Brad if he needs to do this or can she. Brad said she could draft one for the gas cards and the Lowes card.

The Town also needs an internal controls policy and someone on the council needs to audit the work of the clerk treasurer. She volunteered to do this.

John recommended if she needs help drawing this up she could contact the auditor's office.

John made a motion to have Shelly do the policy and audit the clerk treasurer monthly work, this was given a second by Danny Stark. Shelly did not vote.

John Post brought up the upcoming election. It will be held on March 4, the clerk will take care of the notice and get it to the paper for advertisement. It needs to be published on the 4th and the 7th of February and the declarations of candidacy need to be in by the 21st of February so Dan can print the ballots. John will get the books and find someone to work the election.

Concerning the generator at the fire department, Britt is still checking on it. The department is working on the Bronco.

Concerning the appointments to the APC and the BZA. John is currently on the APC and Bobby Burns is on the BZA. Danny Stark asked John if he would stay on and he accepted - Danny made the appointment for John to continue on the APC with a second Shelly. John did not vote.

John made a motion to appoint Bobby Burns to BZA, he will check with him, given a second by Danny Stark second with all in favor. John asked Jean to send the appointment letters.

John reported a vactor truck in Town. Dan Wright said they had to clean out the commons and Perry Street lift stations.

Brad had the 2019 Fire Agreement for the council to review. John made a motion to pass with a second by Danny Stark with all in favor.

Concerning the 29 N Montgomery Street property, \$715 is the closing cost, Brad also needed a resolution from the council allowing the Mayor and the Clerk Treasurer sign off on the sale of this property later this month. John made this into a motion with a second by Shelly with all in favor.

The McDonald/Duff property on Pike Street has a deadline of 12-24-18 with the APC.

Ron is going to reset the payment box from the 29 N Montgomery Street to our current Town Hall on 85 N Pike Street. Jean wrote a letter the customers about the change. He will need 5 foot of pipe and a metal plate so it will be easy to move.

The Company came by the water tower to check everything out and plan to be back to start repairs next week.

Ron asked about cameras at the gym. Discussion only on this matter. Someone ruttet the back parking lot.

He is going to get dimensions on the Town Signs to take to Imagination Graphics for an estimate on new signs.

Travis Shepherd is going to get some probationers to clean up around the tunnel.

Ron asked if the Town wants him to do the maintenance on the mower or take ti Diekhoffs. John suggested Ron go ahead and do it if he is OK with it.

Britt is working on a quote for cameras for the fire department and the gym. He reported on one drug bust in Vernon.

The Fire Department is going to burn the pollinator garden at the commons in the spring.

The old car the Fire Dept. took from the Town - they do not want it - it needs too much maintenance. He asked if the Town wanted it back - a no was the answer.

Concerning the generator John asked about the Department does not have a problem giving it to the Town they just to wait for DNR to answer this request.

The vest is ordered and a new uniform.

Danny Stark talked to Jimmy Grogg about his things in the old green barn. He said there were some things that were not his so he did not remove anything. He has been notified and contacted if it is not out by the end of the month the Town will remove it.


Danny asked about this building we are currently using for the Town Hall, does the council want to pursue trying to purchase it from Adam Hatton. John, Shelly and Dan Wright all agreed that they did not. Danny Stark will pass this information back to Mr. Hatton.

Dan Wright said the county had contacted him about 2 parking spots in front of the courthouse for transport from the jail and one for the police. John made a motion to have a sign put up stating the purpose of these two spots for Monday through Friday 8:00 am to 4:00 pm, Shelly made this a second with all in favor.

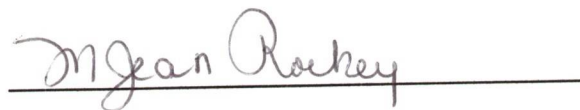
Dan informed the council the IDEM annual report that Brian was to file has not been done. He is looking into replacing him.

Due to the holidays Dan did not get the garbage bids out. They are out and a quote bid opening will be Tuesday, February 5th at 4 pm at the Town Hall.

Nothing more to discuss, John made a motion to adjourn with a second by Shelly.



Dan Wright, Mayor



M. Jean Rockey, Clerk Treasurer