

January 2, 2020

Regular scheduled meeting of the Vernon Town Council. Members present Mayor Dan Wright. Clerk Treasurer M. Jean Rockey, Council John Post, Shelly Davers and Danny Stark, Attorney Brad Kage, Marshal Britt Burgmeier, Fire Chief Eric Kirkham, Maintenance Ron Hendershot .

Mayor Wright called the meeting to order at 7 pm.

Jean will be moving to the office at the fire house and be open for customers by January 14, 2020.

The fire agreement was presented by Brad for review and signatures. John made a motion to approve this with a second by Danny Stark.

Minutes of the previous meeting and the balanced funds were passed out for review and approval from the council. The minutes were given a motion by John Post to pass as read with a second by Danny Stark. John Post also made a motion to approve the balanced funds with one correction this was given a second by Danny Stark.

Ron Hendershot had set up a meeting over the computer for the council to see the asset management plan for the Town he has been checking into. The speakers name was Tina Clark. She laid out the plan from Pub Works Software. She explained all the aspects and asked if anyone had any questions. Shelly asked if we would have to start from scratch, and yes will. She volunteered to help with the data entry.

Ron explained that he had checked out four companies and this one seemed to be the best fit for the Town. This will cover water, wastewater, buildings, maintenance. Ron said the cost had two options. The first one is \$7750.00 up front with \$1200.00 annual. The second one is \$4362.50 up front and \$2400.00 annual. Shelly asked about training, Ron told her we could have unlimited users and this was included in the \$7500.00 fee. It would be a 10 hour session. Ron said this company was cost wise and in the middle. The new water and wastewater meter program could be entered at the same time, and the cost could be drawn from several departments.

John made a motion to proceed with the set up of the Pub Works software for the \$7500 up front and the \$1200 annual for tech upkeep. This motion was given a second by Danny Stark, with all in favor.

Dan Wright had received 4 sealed bids for the old tractor and the old bush hog. The first one was from Damon Davers, he bid \$1501 for the tractor and \$326.00 for the bush hog. Next Raymond Estes bid \$1015 for the tractor and \$315 for the bush hog. The third bid was from Danny Stark for the tractor only \$1250.00. And the fourth bid was from Randy Yeager for the tractor only \$1550.00. After discussion John made a motion to sell the tractor to Randy Yeager for \$1550.00 and the brush hog to Damon Davers for \$326.00, this was given a second by Danny Stark.

The new Fire Chief Eric Kirkham reported all the trees are down on the property they are going to build the new fire house.

Public Comments:

Mr. Shaffer lives at the corner of Brown and Posey and is concerned about the water that pools on the street by his and his neighbors property. He feels that if something is not done about the drainage with the new fire house being built water will start coming into their homes. Dan Wright explained that he is already looking into the drainage problem and that he is going to look into CCMG road funding concerning the cost of a new drainage system on Posey and down Brown Street to the commons and to the river. He also explained that Posey may need to be widened. The parking lot for the FD will be on the corner of Posey and Brown. Dan asked the council for permission to pursue this. Shelly made a motion for Dan to proceed with a second by Danny Stark, with all in favor.

Damon Davers asked about the repair or the replacement of the existing storm sewer between his property and his neighbor. Dan explained it is on the list of things that need to be done.

Mr. Davers also asked about the disconnects and reconnections for the people who shut off the water when they are gone for the winter. Right now we do not have a policy for this, only for the disconnects fees due for an overdue account. Dan explained we need to have a rate survey done so he is working with Sherman, Barber and Mullikin on this and will add this to his work with the accountant.

Jean had a voucher for the rent, since she is not sure on everything going as planned she recommends we pay the entire month. The council all agreed.

Council:

John reported the property at 55 Pike Street belonging to Garry Sallee is going back to court. He also let the council know that concerning the new FD project the variances will be going to the ESS Service and the APC next week with the exception of the new parking lot.

A cable has been down on Washington Street between the Presbyterian Church and the Gym. It is a Frontier line and they have not been able to get them down to repair it. Brad asked John to get the information to him and he send a letter.

Brad had nothing to report.

Ron reported on the work at the new office. A little painting and trim work is left to be done and the actual moving. He had an estimate for the new sign for the new office, the cost will be \$325.00, Danny Stark made a motion to OK the new sign with a second by Shelly.

He has ordered a new laptop for him and will be working with Frontier for the tablet. The new computer for Jean has been ordered also.

He needs to order a new chlorine tester and the powder pillows, the cost will be around \$500.00.

Danny Stark reported the wooden floors at the gym are getting in bad shape. Dan Wright is working with a Micro NBA grant through the state to keep encouraging kids to play sports. it is a 50 / 50 match.

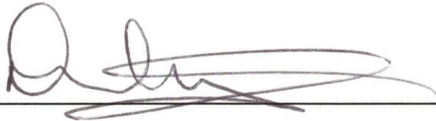
We would need \$7500.00 in match money. John asked if we did not get the grant have we looked into any other type of floor. Discussion only on another type of floor.

Shelly had checked with the accountant that Jean and the Town work with, Sherman Barber and Mullikin. She spoke with Shawn King about setting up Quick Books for the clerk treasurer to help with so much of the old style ledger entry, checks, reports etc. He explained to her that it would be a good idea and a good way to go. They could train and set up the system for us. The essential package \$30 with a \$52.50 per month. Shelly made a motion for Jean to contact them and get it started as soon as possible, this was given a second by John with all in favor.

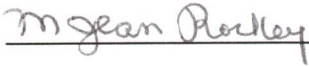
Shelly asked about the Day of Caring dates for next year. Dan said it would be the 3rd Saturday in April and the 1st Saturday in October.

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

Meeting adjourned.



Dan Wright, Mayor



M. Jean Rockey, Clerk Treasurer