

March 7, 2019

Regular scheduled meeting of the Vernon Town Council. Members present Mayor Dan Wright, Clerk Jean Rockey, Council John Post, Danny Stark and Shelly Davers, Marshal Britt Burgmire, and Attorney Brad Kage.

First on the agenda is the results of the 2019 election. There were 44 votes cast on Monday, March 4 2019 with the results as follows: Mayor Dan Wright 39 votes

Clerk T Jean Rockey 37

Council John Post 39

Council Danny Stark 36

Council Shelly Davers 33

The only race was the Marshal Office and Britt Burgmire won with 26 votes and running against him was Racheal Shaw and she had 15 votes.

Judge Jon Webster came to the meeting to swear in the officials. This was the first order of business.

Dan opened the meeting with any comments from the public. Mr. Davers wanted to talk about the cameras for the gym, but wanted to show Danny what they would do. He will talk more about it when Britt gives his information to the council.

Next, Sue Collins wanted to know the status on the grant for the fire department for a new building. Dan explained that a new form had to be remailed out and if we did not get a good response it would have to be a door to door survey.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read by the clerk, only two changes to make one concerning the possibility of a grant for the gym it should be a CFF grant. And John did offer to discuss the using of the meeting room with the

county. With these changes Shelly made a motion to pass the minutes as read with these two changes with a second by Danny Stark with all in favor.

Dan had received a letter from the Jennings County Community Foundation asking if the Town wanted to roll over the interest for this year or have it disbursed to the Town. Dan suggested we have it sent to the Town to use for more upgrades to the playgrounds. John had this made into a motion with a second by Shelly with all in favor. This money will be put into the gift fund.

Jean had received a quote from Keystone/Boyce for the upgrade on the billing for the proposed trash and recycle pickup. It was 900.00 for each service. Shelly asked the clerk to check and see how much more our annual tech fee would increase with these two added.

The contract with Best Way was the next thing on the agenda. Danny Stark has spoken with several people about the trash proposal and he got signatures of the ones that were not for it. The listing is attached.

Sue Collins and Stacie Burns were both present at the meeting to speak up for the trash and recycle.

Jean spoke up about collecting the money for the trash, yes it will be on the water and sewer monthly billing, but she has at least 25 to 30 late people every month. And when they do pay they do not pay the entire bill and it has to be split between the water and the sewer - now it will have to be split 3 ways. Also a concern is the older people and the renters with the cost. She feels that even though it has been published we need to get the word out to everyone who is going to be involved in this change.

John spoke with complete agreement for the trash and the recycle pick up for the Town as in the best interest of the community.

Shelly is for the trash pickup not so much on the recycle. She asked if you could have one or the other. The representatives from best way said it was all one way or the other. She was also concerned about the containers, with everyone having 2 it could be too much.

Dan Wright asked Brad if we needed to have a public hearing and a proposed ordinance stating the new service the Town would be offering, the cost and the conditions of a monthly payment, and concerning the renters that as with the water and the sewer if a renter moves out the property owner would be responsible for this cost. Brad said before the public hearing a notice would have to be published, but in this case he thought the notice should be sent to each individual involved as well as published, he will get with Jean on this.

John made a motion to proceed with the proposed ordinance and the public hearing to be held on May 2, 2019 at 7 PM at the Jennings County Government building. John will take care of speaking to the county about the use of the meeting room. This motion was given a second by Shelly with all in favor.

John spoke of the trash behind the Beeman home on the highway, and it is not on her property, it is either in the alley or the next property owner. Which means the Town will have to clean it up.

Streetlights repaired at Washington and Water Streets. Ron reported on one on Brown that is out.

John had spoken to the county about the Town using the meeting room for future meetings and it will not be a problem.

Danny Stark reported on the clean up at the green building. Mr. Grogg has removed a lot of things with the help of Danny.

Shelly asked Danny if he had made up a list of things that the gym needed from her report last month. Discussion with Shelly explaining she just wanted everyone to agree on what needed to be done so planning could start. All she is asking what the council thinks the priorities are and just make a list for future discussions.

Shelly asked Brad about the policies she proposed on the credit card and the clerk treasurer work. He did look over them and he thought they were ok to finalize. She will work on them this month. John made a motion to accept the policy on

credit card use and the policy for the overseeing of the clerk treasurer work, this was given a second by Danny Stark.

Britt has decided on the Arlo brand of cameras from the Best Buy store in Columbus. He asked about how to pay. The clerk told him when he got the order ready to call her with the amount and she will issue a check for the amount along with a tax exempt slip for him to take with him. He will probably call Gilpin Electric to install.

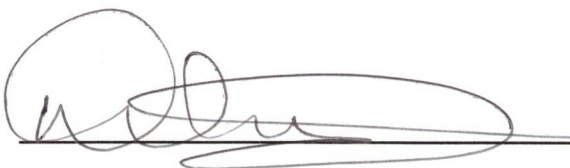
Brad wanted to add that at the request of Debra Freeman another hearing is set for March 22.

Jean turned over two accounts for Brad to take to small claims. One for Brent Prickett and one for Kelsie Love.

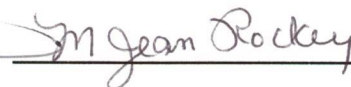
Dan Wright wanted to bring up that the last meeting with the reports of the gym were not meant to reflect on the care that Danny Stark gives the gym. With all the work and time Danny puts into the gym, he did want any misunderstanding.

He wanted to make sure that Danny knows how much the Town appreciates what he does for the gym and the Town.

Nothing more to discuss Danny Stark made a motion to adjourn with a second by John Post.



Mayor, Dan Wright



M. Jean Rockey, Clerk Treasurer