Additional meeting of the Vernon Town Council

Present: Mayor Dan Wright, Clerk Jean Rockey, Council Shelly Davers and John Post, Attorney Brad Kage and Ron Hendershot. The meeting was brought to order at 7 PM.

First thing tonight is the public hearing for the 2020 budget. John made the motion to open the hearing with a second by Shelly Davers. A few questions were asked by the council and the public and were addressed by the Mayor and the Clerk. Shelly made a motion to close the public hearing on the budget with a second by John.

Dan had received a letter from the Historical Society concerning their October fund raiser. The mystery meal and ghost walk will be Friday, October 11 and Saturday, October 12th 6:30 to 9:30 pm. They are asking for the use the Commons and the Brown Street property on these dates. Shelly made a motion to pass this request with a second by John.

Jess with Shepherd Insurance contacted the clerk about a policy on sexual harassment which needs to be added to our policy. She will come to the October 3rd meeting to discuss this with the council.

Dan brought up the trail project and asked if the council had time to look over the proposed project. Discussion with Dan and Steve Gill answering the questions John and Shelly had. Dan asked the council for permission to sign and submit the application for the grant. John made a motion to begin the process for the trail project with a second by Shelly.

Ron had an estimate from Kinney Glass for the new door at the office at the old fire house and 2 new windows in the office there. The cost would be 2200.00 installed for the door and 1595.00 installed for the two windows. He should have a second bid on Friday, 9-20-19. We need to find a contractor to get estimates for the work. Dan suggested to looking into putting in a back door to the office.

Ron asked Dan and the council if he wanted him to contact a representative from Neptune to come to the October meeting to discuss the proposed water project. Dan thought this would be a good idea.

Ron also wanted to know if the council wanted him to get the old tractor and brush hog ready to advertise.

Dan informed the council that Ron Euler is working with Ron Hendershot on getting his certification to do the water testing.

Last thing Steve Gill asked about the trash situation. Dan explained that North Vernon cannot take us on as they have purchased a new truck and may need to raise their fees to keep things running just in North Vernon. We still have a bid from Best Way.

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

Meeting adjourned.

Dan Wright, Mayor

M. Jean Rockey, Clerk Treasurer