

TOWN OF FOUNTAIN PRAIRIE
Monthly Board Meeting Minutes
April 20, 2017

The regular monthly Board meeting of the Town of Fountain Prairie was called to order by Chairman Ron Huebner at 6:55 pm. Town Board members present: Steve Jacob, Chairman Ron Huebner, David Liebenthal, Bill Gretzinger and Dale Firary. Others present: Linda Henning, Clerk/Treasurer and guests as listed on the sign in sheet.

Notice of posting. Agenda posted at Fall River Post Office, Fall River Farmers & Merchants Union Bank, Town Hall, sent via Town Email List and on the Town Website: <http://fountainprairie.us>

Motion by David Liebenthal with a second from Bill Gretzinger to move up agenda item VII D-1 Landmark Building Permit. Mike Ehlers was present for Landmark and explained that they were just finishing a project that they had started shortly after their facility was completed. The building permit time had expired, so they applied for an extension. He stated that they were not doing anything different. The project included a large shed and some underground storage bins with an auger to load crops onto the train. The bins would store canola beans. He said the project should be completed by July.

Liebenthal Rezone and Land Division – they are still waiting for the surveyor to find a marker so he can complete the map.

Matt & Sue Yaroch – motion by Bill Gretzinger with a second from Dale Firary to approve of rezoning a five (5) acre lot along Paul Road to RR-1 rural Residential for a new residence. The Yaroch's have a total of 50.65 acre along Paul Road. They will deed restrict forty (40) acres of the property to fulfill the Town requirements. Motion approved with all in favor.

Aaron Larson – Aaron Larson proposes to add .13 of an acre to his existing 2.718 acre RR-1 rural Residential lot. He is building a shed that without the additional .13 acre would put him too close to his lot line. The .13 acres is located in the Town of Otsego and is zoned A-1 agriculture. Zoning ordinances do not allow for a lot to have split zoning, so the .13 acre must be rezoned to RR-1 rural Residential. Aaron Larson will create a new 2.85 acre lot that will combine the new acreage with the existing lot. The new lot will then all be zoned RR-1 rural Residential.

Jeff Neesam – Jeff is proposing to divide off the original farm house and other out buildings from his lot. He will be scheduled for a meeting and bring a map or diagram so the Planning Commission can direct him.

Minutes of March 16, 2017 – Motion by David Liebenthal with a second from Bill Gretzinger to approve of the minutes of the March 16, 2017 minutes. Minutes approved with all in favor.

Clerk's Report: Discussion on the damages on Gruhn Road by juveniles driving in the ditch. Clerk will check with Fall River Police Department.

Open Book is scheduled for Friday, April 28th from 10 am – 12 noon. Board of Review will be Friday, May 12, 2017 from 5 pm to adjourn.

Quick Books will stop supporting payroll for the Town's version of Quick Books on May 31st. We will need to upgrade if we want to continue with our payroll subscription. Motion by David Liebenthal with a second from Bill Gretzinger to purchase an upgrade version of Quick Books. Motion approved with all in favor.

There are conflicts for the June and July meeting dates. On a motion by David Liebenthal and a second by Steve Jacob the Board decided that they will change the June meeting date to June 22, 2017. This is the 4th Thursday. The July meeting will be Thursday, July 27th, 2017. This is also the 4th Thursday. Motion approved with all in favor.

:Lawn Care – On a motion by David Liebenthal and a second by Steve Jacob, it was decided to put the lawn care out to bid to be opened at the next meeting. The Clerk will check with Jerry Trapp to see if he will mow once, because the grass is getting long.

New Town Board members Ron Huebner, Dale Firary and Bill Gretzinger were sworn in.

Bills payable for April were reviewed. Motion by Steve Jacob with a second from Dale Firary to approve for payment checks 5951 through 5977 including **Electronic Funds Payments** for payroll liabilities. Bills approved with all in favor.

Treasurer's Report – Motion by Steve Jacob with a second from Bill Gretzinger to approve of the Treasurer's report as presented. Motion approved with all in favor.

New Business/Reports

Fire Group, David Liebenthal – no meetings since last month. No word on when new tender will be put into service.

Planning Commission: Chairman Gretzinger – Jeff Neesam is proposing to do a land division of the original farm house and out buildings which will include rezoning. A meeting will be scheduled.

Lazy Lake Management, Ron Huebner – annual meeting was held April 1st at the Town Hall. New commissioners are Richard Habenicht and Joe Streeter.

Columbus EMS, Ron Huebner – the next meeting is May 3rd,

Permits/Licenses & Doylestown Recycling Center – the Recycling Center is seeing more use because people are not happy with Advance Disposal and they are taking their trash/garbage to the Recycling Center.

Chairman's Report – Committee assignments. Board members were assigned committees. Bill Gretziner is on the Planning Commission, David Liebenthal is on the Fall River Fire Group and the Columbus EMS, Dale Firary is on the Lake Association and Steve Jacob is on the Planning Commission as well as the Permits/Licenses and Doylestown Recycling Committee. Chairman Huebner and Bill Gretzinger will work on the roads.

Changing some road classifications to Class B was discussed, but the Board members felt they needed more information. Joe Deborg from the County Highway Department will be invited to the next Town Board meeting to answer some of the member's questions. The road postings will stay on until May 1, 2017.

Attorney Chris Hughes is working on amending the Green Space ordinance. No word from him yet.

Sleepy Hollow Road Park – Chairman Huebner got an estimate from K & B Tree Service for grinding the stumps at the park. They estimate that it would cost \$1,000.00 to grind the twelve stumps that are still in the park.

Doug Laitinen was present because he will be the Gun Club representative on the park committee. Jim Tank will represent the Lazy Lake Association and Fountain Prairie's representative will be Dale Firary.

ATC has been contacted regarding clean up around the tower that is located within the park. They will clean up that area and landscape.

The tree branches on Grady Road were disposed of by Columbia County.

The Town Board members were not in favor of selling the Town garage at this time.

Old Business, Summer Road Work – a road needs to be chosen as the County Aid project. The first priority is Heppe Road, but culverts need to be replaced before work can start. Motion by Bill Gretzinger with a second from Dale Firary that the culverts be replaced as needed on Heppe road. Motion by Bill Gretzinger with a second from David Liebenthal to assign Heppe Road as the County Aid project for this year.

The tree removal on Pete Reak Road was tabled until after the May meeting. This needs to be done before the road is fixed.

Hemling Road on the west end needs repair, but there is no money for it at this time

Mohr Road name change. Motion by Bill Gretzinger with a second from Steve Jacob to change the name of Mohr Road. Motion approved with all in favor.

The next meeting will be Thursday, May 18, 2017.

There being no further business, motion by Dale Firary with a second from David Liebenthal to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Linda Henning, Clerk/Treasurer

Attached to Original Minutes: Monthly Financial Report

APPROVED