
Fountain City Town Council Meeting Minutes

August 1, 2023

Call to Order

The public meeting of the Fountain City Town Council was held at the City Building at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 1, 2023. Attendees included Shane Shroyer, Steve Clark, Laurie Hayes, Cecil Mullins, and Michael Gray. Aubrey Crist, town attorney, was not present.

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Minutes

Shroyer confirmed that everyone had read August's minutes. Clark motioned to approve August's minutes as written. Gray seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

New Business

- Executive Session Decision – Shroyer announced that there was an executive session for interviewing for Utilities Superintendent and Sewer Operator last Tuesday. Mullins stated that he liked the last two candidates. Hayes is concerned about the insurance aspect for one of the candidates. Mullins motioned to hire Walker Shepherd and David Allen for the positions at \$22 per hour. There will be an executive session in a year to decide which candidate will receive the which title. Clark seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-2 with Hayes opposed and Gray abstaining.
- Dump Truck – Gray stated that the dump truck is old and not in the greatest shape. With having an additional employee, council is considering trading in the dump truck with another pick-up truck. Gray asked the council to keep an eye out for available pick-ups for sale. Clark motioned to replace the dump truck with a pick-up and dump trailer for leaf collection. Hayes seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.
- Levi Coffin Days Donation – McGuire stated that everything was okay for the donation to the Lion's Club for Levi Coffin Days. Shroyer stated that the town donated \$2,000 last year and thought the same amount would be sufficient. Clark motioned to donate \$2,000 to the Lion's Club for Levi Coffin Days. Mullins seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.
- Transfer Resolution – McGuire informed council that the Fire Terr. Insurance line item has gone negative. She needs to make a transfer from a different department, which requires a resolution. Therefore, be it resolved that \$3,190.33 from Fire Terr. Equipment Fund is transferred to Fire Terr. Insurance Fund. Hayes motioned to approve the transfer. Gray seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-1 with Shroyer abstaining.

Unfinished Business

- None

Department Reports

Water/Sewer Departments – Michael Stuckey & Doug Young

- Gray read the report.
- Shroyer stated that he has spoken with Cobalt and Indiana Earthworks and yards will be fixed by the fall. They don't want to do anything during the dry season.
- Parrett discovered some damage on the utility truck. He has contacted Wetzel and A to B Auto. A to B Auto is local and locally owned and Wetzel was a month out. They determined that the tie rod is damaged and they can get it in next week.
- Mike Stuckey and Doug Young determined that we need to purchase a new chlorine meter for \$455 and pH meter for \$146. Gray motioned to purchase the meters. Clark seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Police & Fire Department – Marshal Carey Martin & Shane Shroyer

- Shroyer read the marshal's report.
- Shroyer stated that there was nothing to report for the fire department.

Parks/Building & Grounds Department – Kyle Parrett

- Shroyer read the report.

Street Department – Kyle Parrett

- Gray read the report.
- Shroyer stated that there were some errors in the grant application for the street project; therefore, it will be delayed until the next round of applications.

Financial Department – Trina McGuire

- Council was provided with the Fund with Investments and APV Register Summary Report.
- McGuire informed council that her computer has stopped getting updates, which has disabled her Microsoft Office and Windows 11 will not update. She has already contacted O'Brien's Computers to build her a computer. Gray motioned to purchase a new computer using ARPA Funds. Hayes seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Welcome Visitors


- Rick Bicknell was present to express a concern. When he was walking the dogs, he noticed that whoever mowed the Lion's Club's lot on S. Front Street had blown the clippings into the street. Steve Couch was present and he stated that he usually doesn't blow it into the street and he will be sure it doesn't happen again.
- Pam Bicknell was present and has a concern about the farrow cats in town. Unfortunately, the places in Wayne County are full and will not take the cats.

Claims

Clark motioned to approve all current claims. Hayes seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Adjournment

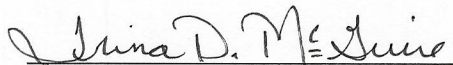
Gray motioned to adjourn the meeting. Hayes seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.



Council President

September 5, 2023

Date of Approval



Clerk/Treasurer