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## Fountain City Town Council Meeting Minutes

### May 2, 2023

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#### 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, May 2, 2023. Attendees included Shane Shroyer, Steve Clark, Laurie Hayes, Cecil Mullins, and Michael Gray. Gabriel Winkle, town attorney, was absent.

#### Pledge of Allegiance

#### Approval of Minutes

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

#### Welcome Visitors

- David Oakes was present to discuss the operator's job performance. He asked whether it's incompetence or dislike for him. Shroyer asked Oakes whether the water bill was in his name. Oakes informed him that it isn't resulting with Shroyer informing him that the bill cannot be discussed with him. McGuire informed them that the actual bill cannot be discussed but Oakes is a legal resident of the town. He addressed the missing street signs that were damaged from the projects. Shroyer informed him that Cobalt has been informed of the issue.
- Beth Conway from the Levi Coffin House was present to inform council that they will be doing walks through town during their tours. This will happen the first Saturday of the month. McGuire stated that she will put it on the website if possible.

#### New Business

- Executive Session Vote – Shroyer stated that the consensus from the executive session held April 7<sup>th</sup> was to suspend Tice for three days and 60 day probation. Gray motioned to accept this disciplinary action. Clark seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.
- Announce Yard Sales & Clean-Up Date – McGuire informed everyone that the town-wide yard sales are the first weekend in June, which is the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>. The clean-up date is the second Saturday in June, which is the 10<sup>th</sup>.
- 700 Ft. Ave. Drainage – Gray and Shroyer have been in contact with Triad and Indiana Earthworks about the drainage problem at 700 Fountain Ave. The original placement of the drain had to be moved due to a gas line. The change has caused a drainage problem in the resident's yard. Mr. Mayberry, which is the resident, was also present. The three discussed possible solutions that would please everyone. Council will reach out to Triad and Indiana Earthworks again to inform them of the ideas.
- Cameras & Bathroom Doors/Park – Shroyer presented a quote for a security camera system to be installed at the park. It is for a server and five cameras. There have been several occurrences of vandalism and the one existing camera is not good enough to identify anyone. The cost is

\$5,134. Council asked about the funds for purchasing the cameras and McGuire confirmed that there are funds available in ARPA. Gray motioned to purchase the camera system. Hayes seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0. The vandalism has damaged the bathroom doors also, which is the second or third time. Shroyer provided a quote from Scott Doors to install security doors. The cost of installing the doors and locks is \$6,351.83. The funds for the doors will also be ARPA. The only other option will be to remove the bathrooms from the park. Gray motioned to accept the quote from Scott's Doors. Clark seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

- Park Drive Paving – Shroyer informed council that the complaints from the cemetery board have increased concerning the drive through the park, which leads to Willow Grove. He had obtained three quotes for fixing the entire asphalt drive. The lowest quote was from All About Asphalt in the amount of \$35,880. These funds will also come from ARPA. Gray motioned to accept the quote from All About Asphalt. Clark seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.
- Intersection of Mill St. & S. Vine – Gray informed council that the sidewalk on the north corner of this intersection has been damaged. Indiana Earthworks informed Gray that the remaining sidewalk is in really bad condition. If the remaining sidewalk is fixed at a later date, it will damage the work they do to fix the corner. They provided a quote for \$2,400. There is another section of sidewalk that was damage from a tree falling on Green Street. Indiana Earthworks provided a quote for that section in the amount of \$2,995. McGuire suggested to council that EDIT funds be used for the sidewalks. Hayes motioned to accept the quotes from Indiana Earthworks and use EDIT. Gray seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

#### Unfinished Business

- No Parking/Fire Trucks – Gray informed council that he spoke with the residents living behind the fire station about making it a no parking zone. They don't feel that there are enough fire runs to justify a no parking zone. In addition, they suggested some driving practice in order to be able to back into the rear bays without a no parking zone. Clark motioned to table this issue again. Gray seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

#### Department Reports

##### Water/Sewer Departments – Charles Tice

- Shroyer read the report.
- Gray informed council that he has meet with Silversmith about another tablet for work orders and GPS locating. It is not something that needs to be done now but something to look at when the town is fully staffed again.

##### Police & Fire Department – Marshal Carey Martin & Shane Shroyer

- Marshal Martin read his report.
- Marshal Martin informed council that he was awarded a grant for \$1,000 from Whitewater Valley R.E.M.C.
- Shroyer read his report.

##### Parks/Building & Grounds Department – Kyle Parrett

- Parrett read his report.

Street Department – Kyle Parrett

- Parrett read his report.

Financial Department – Trina McGuire

- Council was provided with the Fund with Investments and APV Register Summary Report.

Claims

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

Adjournment

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

Steve Clark

Council President

Trina D. McGuire

Clerk/Treasurer

June 6, 2023  
Date of Approval