# Fountain City Town Council Meeting Minutes November 2, 2021

#### 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, November 2, 2021. Attendees included Shane Shroyer, Steve Clark, Jesse Yandl, and Laurie Hayes. Cecil Mullins was absent. Aubrey Crist, town attorney attended via telephone.

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Minutes

Shroyer confirmed that everyone had read October's minutes. Clark motioned to approve October's minutes as written. Yandl seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

#### Welcome Visitors

• Greg Beumer/Kleinpeter Consulting Group – Greg from Mike Kleinpeter's office was present to discuss the APR funds. He presented council with a residential survey concerning the ARP funds that Kleinpeter's office has prepared. It asks the residents their thoughts on the spending of these funds. He wanted council's thoughts on the survey and permission to distribute it. An internet version of this survey will be made available on the town's website via Monkey Survey. McGuire will add the link to the website and put a notice on the upcoming water bills. The deadline for the survey will be December 15<sup>th</sup>. The state is still litigating the rules and regulations for spending these funds. Yandl motioned to approve the residential survey. Clark seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

### **New Business**

- All Around Auto Jerry Behagg was present to speak on behalf of All Around Auto. He wanted to address the numerous complaints communicated to All Around Auto via Marshal Martin. He informed council that they are currently working on cleaning up the lot and have made a lot of progress, but it will be a lengthy process to complete. Hayes expressed that she thinks it looks bad for the lot to be the first thing to see when entering town. She feels something needs to be done about it. Behagg informed her that All Around Auto isn't breaking any town ordinances or laws; therefore, the continuous visits from Marshal Martin are verging on harassment. They have consulted their attorney regarding this. Shroyer informed him that he has received complaints regarding not being able to see oncoming traffic when pulling out onto US Hwy. 27. Behagg said that he will work on keeping cars farther back away from the highway.
- Emergency Mgmt. Shroyer informed council that the meeting to discuss the Emergency Mitigation Plan is coming up. He is planning to attend this meeting to represent the town. A representative from all the surrounding areas will be present to discuss this plan.
- Quote for Doors McGuire presented council with a quote from Scott's Doors to make and install a Dutch Door for Marshal Martin's office, and to fix the issues with the clerk's office side door and the city building's back door. Marshal Martin wants a Dutch Door for his office in

order to prevent people from just walking in and for when he has the K-9 inside. The cost for Marshal Martin's door is \$2,650, which includes all hardware and complete installation. The cost for fixing the issues with the other two doors is \$175. Yandl motioned to accept the quote from Scott's Doors. Hayes seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

- Opioid Litigation Crist informed council that McGuire had given her a document she received
  in the mail concerning the recent Opioid Litigation. The federal government has sought a
  settlement from the drug manufacturers of Opioids. They have received settlements from a few
  of these manufacturers for disbursement of which the state would control 85% and the town
  would only receive 15%. The town can to decide to opt in or out. She will email a memo
  explaining all the options in more detail; therefore, council can vote on it next month.
- Weed Ordinance Update Marshal Martin discovered an issue with the current weed ordinance. There is not an allowable action to be taken on this violation before their 10 day limit to comply. The change enables Martin to site them for the violation with a \$25 fine for first offense. Hayes motioned to accept these changes. Clark seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.
- Water Rate Ordinance Correction McGuire informed council that the state auditor found a mistake on the Water Rate Ordinance during the ongoing audit. The ordinance stated that penalties are 10% on the entire charge for water, but they are calculated 10% on the first \$3.00 and 3% for the remaining balance. She has made the necessary changes. Clark motioned to accept the correction. Yandl seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

#### **Unfinished Business**

None

## Department Reports

Water/Sewer Departments - Charles Tice & Ronald Sandlin

- Tice read his report.
- McGuire informed council that she received the first invoice from Kleinpeter Consulting for the grant administrative work on the stormwater project. It was previously agreed upon that his fees are to be paid out of sewer operations fund. She just wanted permission to pay the invoice to cover all her bases. Clark motioned to pay the invoice. Yandl seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

Police & Fire Department - Marshal Carey Martin & Shane Shroyer

- Marshal Martin read his report.
- Marshal Martin informed council that he is looking into sending Reserve Officer Gray to evidence school. It is completely online and will enable him to assist with collecting and logging evidence. He is looking into a scholarship to help with the cost.
- Marshal Martin informed council that he needs more room. His current evidence room is very small and has no ventilation. When the department confiscates certain items, it causes the whole building to smell of these items.
- Shroyer didn't have a fire department report. He informed everyone that Santa Claus will be at the Fire Station on December 10<sup>th</sup> from 6-8 p.m.

# Parks/Building & Grounds Department – Kyle Parrett

- Parrett read his report.
- Parrett informed council that the park mower has broken down twice with same problem. The last time it broke down he was on the incline at the lagoon and Tice had to tow him. He provided a quote from John Deere for a trade-in for the Simplicity mower. The original cost of the mower is approximately \$13,000. With the offered government discount and trade-in, the town's cost will be \$4,582 for a 0 Degree Turn John Deere. McGuire informed council that the cost will be split between EDIT, Water, and Sewer. Clark motioned to purchase the mower. Hayes seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

### Street Department - Kyle Parrett

- Parrett read his report.
- Shroyer informed council that he has received several compliments on the work Tice and Parrett are doing.

Date of approval

## 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. Yandl seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

## Adjournment

Clark motioned to adjourn the meeting. Yandl seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

Council President

Clerk/Treasurer

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