

YORKTOWN TOWN COUNCIL

Tuesday, January 19, 2016 @ 5:30 pm - Regular Meeting

Pledge of Allegiance. Present: Dan Flanagan, Lon Fox, Bob Ratchford, Bob Flanagan, Laura Vise, Rick Glaub, and Rich Lee.

Approve Claims: \$436,661.76 Dan Flanagan made a motion to approve the claims. Bob Ratchford seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Approve Minutes: Bob Ratchford made a motion to approve minutes from the December council meeting. Dan Flanagan seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Election of Board Officers: Lon Fox talked about the leadership and continuity that the board has had in the last year. He made a motion to have Rich Lee as president and Bob Ratchford as Vice –President. The motion was seconded by both Bob Ratchford and Dan Flanagan. The motion carried unanimously.

Appointment of Department Heads: Pete recommended the following people as Department heads for the 2016 year.

Alan Neff , Waste Water Superintendent – Wayne Studebaker, Water Superintendent – Tim Caldwell, Street Superintendent – Matt Ray, Zoning Administrator – R. Todd St.John, Marshal – Steve Murphy, Defur Voran, Town Attorney. Dan Flanagan made a motion for the approval of the Department Heads as listed. Bob Ratchford seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Dan Flanagan and a second by Bob Ratchford to leave the board appointments for Park Board-Planning Commission-BZA-Redevelopment Commission as they are. Rich Lee has spoken with all concerned and they are all willing to keep their appointments. The motion carried unanimously.

Ordinance 735: This ordinance it to remove the DARE fund and the court fund from the town's ledger and naming them defunct. The DARE money will being transferred to Local Law Enforcement Fund and the court money into the general fund. A motion to introduce was made by Dan Flanagan and seconded by Bob Ratchford. Motion carried unanimously. A motion to suspend the rules was made by Dan Flanagan and seconded by Lon Fox. Motion carried unanimously. Motion for the second reading and to approve ordinance 735 was made by Dan Flanagan and seconded by Lon Fox. Motion was carried unanimously.

A presentation was given by Dan Hedden from Umbaugh on the County Wheel Tax & Surtax, EDIT, and LOIT. Pete explained that even though EDIT money is an agreement with the County and the money is pooled and a centralized decision is made on how to spend the money, we have been fortunate to have received substantial amounts of money for Park One and Park Planning.

1782 Notice: The 1782 notice was received last week and we need to cut .0098 from the budget. The council did not use all of their budget last year and has acquired the court budget. A motion was made by Dan Flanagan to cut the amount needed from the council line item. A second of the motion from Lon Fox. The motion carried unanimously.

Pete gave an update on the Roundabout at Nebo and Jackson. E & B paving will be doing the project. The amount that the Town of Yorktown is to pay is about \$67,000.00. Pete would like for the council to give Beth permission to pay the bill when it comes from EDIT. Dan Flanagan made a motion that the bill be paid from EDIT up to but not over \$70,000.00. Bob Ratchford seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Rick Glaub went on record that the roundabout is under designed for vehicular traffic and cannot accommodate a semi. He is in hopes that the next roundabout is better designed.

Snow Plow for Water truck: This is a ½ ton pickup truck designed to be able to add a snow plow. Town Manager Pete Olson asked for the permission to purchase and have installed such plow. Dan Flanagan commented that he was concerned putting a plow on a half-ton pickup. After some discussion Rick Glaub asked Pete what he recommended. Pete said after talking with Freddie Lay the town mechanic he thought the plow should be purchased. Rick Glaub made the motion to purchase the plow for the water truck. Bob Ratchford seconded the motion. The motion carried with Dan Flanagan and Lon Fox voting Nay.

The site of the fire on Smith St. is to be cleaned up, at the owner's expense, to the point that sidewalks can be used right away. February 17th there is a meeting of the housing authority regarding both that site and the property on Canal St.

There were no audience comments.

Council comments: Laura Vise has asked that minutes be done and distributed to council members in a three day time frame after the meeting. That way not weeks of time pass, everyone's memory is fresh and changes can be made right away if needed. Bob Ratchford echoed the sentiment of having the minutes within a three day time frame. He also feels it is a great time to be part of Yorktown. Bob Flanagan thanked all department heads for their hard work. President Lee echoed the thanks for all the dept. heads including the town manager and Beth as the clerk treasurer.

Respectfully Submitted – Darlene Kilgore, Deputy Clerk Treasurer