

Town of Reynolds
Regular Board Meeting
Wednesday, July 6, 2022

6:30PM

Board Members present: Aaron Ruemler, Alli Loy, Megan Copas & Sid Holderly. Jerry Robertson was absent.

Other community members present: Clerk Treasurer, Pam Cochran, Pete Tetzloff, Ken Smith, Marshall Bill Peck, Attorney, Cliff Robinson, Phyllis Hoover, Tonie Snyder, Judy Snowberger, Jaylen Morgan, Cassandra Campbell and Joe Bilyeu.

Aaron Ruemler, President called the meeting to order, asked everyone to silence their phones and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Aaron made a motion to accept the April meeting minutes, Alli second the motion and with no discussion, the motion carried.

The financial reports were email to the board. Pam stated that we are getting closer to having all reports current. Nothing was moved on the reports at this time.

Town Superintendent, Bob Hall gave his monthly report. He reported that the Hillside paving project is complete and very satisfied with the job done. Center St drain is done and draining as expected. Planning grant proposals needed to be completed by noon today. Joe will start back with classes this month and the numbers are good.

Town Attorney, Cliff Robinson received notification that Apex Waste owner, Rich Heemstra's past business partner has filed a suit and wants the town to provide all correspondence with the town and Mr. Heemstra in regards to the trash contract. Cliff contacted the other attorney involved and providing him a copy of the contras was sufficient at this time.

Engineer, Ken Smith stated that the next rounds of paving bids will be out sometime this month and will be awarded in September.

Marshal Peck reported that he is working the town and have written several ordinance violations, he is currently working with the town attorney & Engineer to condemn the trailer at the corner of Boone St & US 24 (this property has since been sold and clean up has started). He also explained his part-time hours of being only 20 hours a week and has had some complaints that he needs to put in ore hours. He has received three quotes for a new police truck...1. Hubbard's for a 2023 Chevy Silverado for \$62,515; 2. Twin Lakes Dodge for a 2022 Ram for \$61,590/ and 3. Dana Safety Supply for a 2022 Ford 150 for \$51,213.40. These bids will be discussed further in new business. Two new reserves were introduced... they are Dusty Snyder and Tyron Neal.

Clerk Treasurer, Pam Cochran reported to the board that she has reconciled thru May of 2022 and is working hard to get current.

KIRPC report from Bill Peck...There was a resolution for the planning grant presented and he voted Yes.

Old Business:

There was a second reading of the Addendum of Water Ordinance to add a Bulk Rate fee of .025 per gallon was brought to the table. A motion to accept a bulk rate fee of .025 per gallon was made with a second to the motion and the motion carried.

New Business:

The Employee Training & Reimbursement Agreement was presented for Marshall Peck. After discussion, the agreement was that the start date should be the date he was hired in at and not the date the academy starts. Reason for this was because he had to have the academy started and completed within a year of being hired. A motion to accept the November 3rd, 2021 date was made with a second to the motion and the motion carried.

It was asked if there should be a late penalty assess if trash fees are not paid and board agreed that Yes, penalties should be applied.

More discussion was made on the purchase of the new police truck...why a truck and not a car/SUV? Needs to have the 4X4 for winter months. A motion was made to accept the bid from Dana Safety Supply in the amount of \$51,213.40. A second to the motion was made and the motion carried. A motion was made to also finance this and not pay for it outright. A second to the motion was made and the motion carried.

Bob asked to move forward with the 3rd St paving project if granted the funds. A motion to accept was made with a second and the motion carried.

Public comments: Phyllis Hoover as in attendance and asked if her trash could be picked up in the ally behind her house instead of on 1st St by her garage. Pam will contact Apex to see if that is possible.

Tonie Snyder also asked for his to be picked up in the ally instead of on the street. Tonie also asked about the \$2 Stormwater fee and why they were being taxed because there is a county drain in front of their house and nobody should be taxed twice for something. Several board members explained that it was not a tax, it was a fee for the use of the town's stormwater run-off.

Judy Snowberger wanted an explanation of the \$7.50 water depreciation fee. Bob explained what it was used for. She then wanted to know what the arrears balance was on her bill and why she had one. Bob explained the software issue with the water depreciation fee of \$7.50 billing on everyone's accounts, but the failure to print on the bills. ***Note...she and her son did come in and talk with Carol and understood when they left. However, as of today, 7/28/2022, she still has a balance of \$7.50.

Cassandra Campbell asked why she received a bill from September 30, 2021 – June 30, 2022 in the amount of \$6431.10. It was her understanding that they had paid several months of sewage and weren't supposed to, so they thought the reason for not getting a bill for so many months was the credit balance on the account. After discussion and questions asked back and forth, she was asked to contact Carol next Tuesday and she would explain the issue. *** Note...Bills were printed late afternoon, early evening Thursday, June 30th. This bill was pulled because of the 570,058 gallons of consumption and Bob was asked to go check out the meter before Carol sent it out. Carol received an email from Bob on Friday, July 1st and said the meter was okay from what he could see and that they

did have a leak last month. So, on Tuesday, July 5th Carol mailed the bill out. When Carol returned on Tuesday, July 12th, Pam explained to her that Bob had the wrong house and that the bill should not have been sent out. Bob has replaced the meter and radio in addition to an adjustment being made to their account.

Judy Snowberger asked if someone would come clean the drain out in form of her house.

***Note...this has been done.

Jaylen Morgan asked if there would be roll off dumpsters for the Spring Clean-up days. No, Apex will decide on a day and will have different trucks come thru town and pick up excess trash.

Hearing nothing further, a motion to adjourn was made with a second to the motion and the motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Aaron Ruemler, President

Allison Loy, Vice President

Sid Holderly, Member

Megan Copas, Member

Jereld W Robertson, Member

Attest: Pam Cochran, Clerk Treasurer