

FAIRMOUNT TOWN COUNCIL
Regular Meeting
February 27, 2022; 7:00 P.M.

The Fairmount Town Council met in Regular Session on Monday, February 23, 2022. President Hedrick called the meeting to order and asked everyone to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Clerk Treasurer J. Treon called the roll: Eric Treon, present; Karen Pollen, present; Steve Hedrick, present; Angie Armstrong, present; David Broyles, present. Also, in attendance; Clerk-Treasurer, Jo Ann Treon and attorney, Kyle Persinger.

COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS:

Ed Hartman, 2640 East 1050 South and Randy Adkins, 8560 South Wheeling Pike spoke with the Council regarding the Solar Ordinances presented from APC and Area Plan. Mr. Hartman and Mr. Adkins urged the Council to review and consider an amendment to keep solar farms from farm ground and town limits.

Bobby Lennons, Director of Fairmount Civil Defense, requested \$4,000.00 from the Town to purchase new tires and lighting (light bar) for a vehicle. President Hedrick, Councilwoman Armstrong suggested he follow purchasing guidelines; obtain three bids, present to the Council for approval.

CLAIMS:

Motion made by Armstrong to approve the claims and order warrants on same. Seconded by E. Treon; motion carries with four ayes and one nay.

MINUTES:

Motion made by Pollen to approve the minutes for the Regular Meeting on February 13, 2023. Seconded by E. Treon; motion carries with all ayes.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES, BOARD AND COMMISSIONS:

PRESIDENT:

President Hedrick advised he would attend the BZA meeting on March 6, 2023 concerning a special exception for the location of the new LED sign.

President Hedrick and Councilwoman Armstrong addressed comments and complaints about the tree removal on Main Street.

Vice President E. Treon addressed the concern of funding for the project; funding is through grant money and Town funds.

Superintendent Hamilton advised tree replacement will be considered after the completion of the project. An ordinance may be necessary to determine the placement and type of trees planted in the area.

STREETS & PARK:

Superintendent Hamilton reported tree trimming at the park is complete. One tree was removed due to a root problem.

Hamilton advised the Yard Waste policy has been streamlined and updated for the season.

Superintendent Hamilton reminded the Council that the street sweeper will be needed in 2 to 4 weeks.

Councilwoman Armstrong requesting tabling discussion to the next meeting.

A special meeting will be schedule for March 13, 2023 at 6:30 p.m.

POLICE & FIRE:

None.

WATER & WASTEWATER:

Superintendent Deal reported the raw sewage pumps are installed and working well.

Deal advised the materials ordered for the 2nd Street project have finally been delivered.

Superintendent Deal reported the service line replacement is going well; many galvanized and copper lines.

BUILDING & MAINTENANCE:

Clerk-Treasurer J. Treon advised Mantz Electrical estimated \$1,600.00 for electrical to the new sign.

Motion made by Armstrong to approve Mantz Electrical for work on the sign. Seconded by E. Treon; motion carries with all ayes.

FINANCIAL REPORT & CLERK-TREASURER:

Clerk-Treasurer J. Treon reported the Annual Report has been submitted to Gateway.

J. Treon provided the January Fund Report for the Council to review.

Clerk-Treasurer J. Treon presented the following information regarding the Main Street Project:

\$813,000.00 has been marked for this project;
March 13, 2023 will be the public hearing to open bids;
March 27, 2023 the bid will be awarded and
April 6, 2023 is the final date to submit the bid to INDOT

AREA PLAN COMMISSION:

Councilman Broyles advised the meeting is not until March 6, 2023.

NEW BUSINESS:

Clerk-Treasurer J. Treon presented the quote to replace the sound system in the Town Hall.

The current system cannot accommodate the microphones. The meeting room is not large enough for additional speakers, but the current speakers may be replaced with speakers with internal amplifiers. Total cost of the replacement will be \$8,981.00.

Motion made by Armstrong to approve the replacement of the sound system. Seconded by E. Treon; motion carries with four ayes.

OLD BUSINESS:

There will be a special meeting on March 13, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. to discuss the street sweeper.

With no further business to come before the Council, Armstrong made the motion to adjourn. Seconded by Pollen; meeting adjourned with three ayes.

Steve Hedrick, President

ATTEST

Jo Ann Treon, Clerk-Treasurer