

FAIRMOUNT TOWN COUNCIL
Regular Meeting
October 24, 2022; 7:00 P.M.

The Fairmount Town Council met in Regular Session on Monday, October 24, 2022. Council President Steve 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, Phil Stephenson.

COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS:

Jim Havens, 320 North Sycamore Street, requested the Council consider installing Disc Golf at Play Acres Park. Mr. Havens advised he thought the park could easily support nine holes. The nearest course is at Matter Park in Marion.

Councilman E. Treon and Councilman Broyles questioned the cost of the holes/baskets and type of material the baskets are constructed. Mr. Havens advised he would gather prices for the metal baskets and report to Street & Park Assistant Superintendent, Kyle Hamilton.

Mr. Havens also asked Assistant Superintendent Hamilton about the condition of the merry-go-round at the park. He stated it was difficult to push while his grandchildren rode the merry-go-round. Hamilton reported it had been repaired; the grease zerks were replaced and greased.

PURCHASE ORDERS:

Clerk-Treasurer J. Treon presented purchase order 3640 to Commercial Signs for labor and installation of the LED sign at a cost of \$4,800.00 (electrical not included).

Motion made by Armstrong to approve purchase order 3640. Seconded by Broyles; motion carries with all ayes.

CLAIMS:

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

MINUTES:

Motion made by Pollen to approve the minutes for the Regular Meeting on October 10, 2022. Seconded by E. Treon; motion carries with all ayes.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES, BOARD AND COMMISSIONS:

PRESIDENT:

President Hedrick reported the Open House on Sunday, October 22nd was successful.

Hedrick reminded everyone of the Harvest Block Party, Saturday, October 29th from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Main Street. Trick or Treat hours will be on October 31, 2022 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

STREETS & PARK:

Assistant Superintendent Hamilton reported the tires were replaced on the 2015 and 2017 dump trucks at a cost of \$689.00 per truck.

Hamilton advised total patching continues; trying to finish up before winter.

Assistant Superintendent Hamilton reported the replacement of the batteries for the Street Sweeper.

Hamilton advised the leaf machine training went well. He also stated this is a good service for our residents.

Assistant Superintendent Hamilton reported he completed a brief interview about the Street Department with Cathy Shouse for The Courier newspaper.

Hamilton reported the Street Department attended the open house hosted by Best Equipment while delivering the Street Sweeper for service; sweep head is not working properly.

Hamilton advised the ramp at the playground pavilion has been repaired and/or replaced as needed.

Assistant Superintendent Hamilton discussed the Chip – Seal estimate and final cost sheets with the Council.

POLICE & FIRE:

Marshal Dollar reported the last weeks Second Harvest food drive went well.

Dollar advised Officer Reneau will attend Field Training Officer training this week.

Marshal Dollar reported the department continues to raise money for the K-9. Dollar advised he received a quote for a new K-9 vehicle from a local dealer which was extremely high. He advised he would prefer to keep the business local, but may not be able to with such a high quote.

WATER & WASTEWATER:

Superintendent Deal reported the thermostat was replaced in the 2009 GMC truck.

Deal advised clean up in front of the houses on West Second Street where meter pits were installed is complete. We are waiting on the rain before removing dirt on the north side of Second Street.

Superintendent Deal reported the department vacuumed the interceptor sewer from Adams Street to Monroe Street and Harrison Street north and south. There is flow after removing several loads of debris.

Deal advised the utility department needs access along the creek to complete maintenance along the interceptor sewer. Currently cleaning can only be completed during very dry times in the summer months.

Deal advised maintenance agreements have been obtained from residents near the creek.

BUILDING & MAINTENANCE:

None.

FINANCIAL REPORT & CLERK-TREASURER:

Clerk-Treasurer J. Treon reported the Town is taking applications for the position of Water Clerk.

Clerk-Treasurer J. Treon advised the renewal for health insurance has been received with an increase of 33%, \$103,092.00 annually. The Town is pursuing other options for insurance coverage.

AREA PLAN COMMISSION:

Councilman Broyles reported the last meeting discussed the complaints about a metal processing business in Marion.

Broyles reported the commission discussed bit coin moving into a new mining process as well as several buildings falling down or scheduled for demolition.

NEW BUSINESS:

None.

OLD BUSINESS:

None.

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

Steve Hedrick, President

ATTEST

Jo Ann Treon, Clerk-Treasurer