

# Town of Fairview Regular Town Council Meeting May 12, 2020

The following Council members were present: Mayor Phil Thomas, John Biggers, Jerry Clontz, Patricia Kindley, and Gary Wilfong

Others present: Joe McCollum, Town Attorney; Darrell Baucom, Financial Officer, Ed Humphries, Land Use Administrator / Deputy Clerk and Teresa Gregorius, Town Clerk

# \*\* Approve Virtual Meeting Resolution

Attorney McCollum presented a resolution to conduct electronic Town Council meetings during the COVID-19 State of Emergency.

John Biggers made a motion to approve the resolution to conduct electronic Town Council meetings during the COVID-19 State of Emergency. Gary Wilfong seconded the motion. Council members Biggers, Kindley and Wilfong voted yes, Clontz voted no (3-1).

### **Agenda Changes**

Jerry Clontz stated that he would like to add a park related item to the agenda as Item 3.

### **Approval of Agenda**

Patricia Kindley made a motion to approve the agenda as amended. John Biggers seconded the motion. Council members Biggers, Clontz, Kindley and Wilfong voted yes (4-0).

#### **Public Comments**

None

#### **Consent Agenda**

- a) Accept Financial and Tax Reports as Information
- b) Accept Land Use Report as Information
- c) Accept Fund Balance Worksheet 2019-2020 report as Information

- d) Fairview Park Event Minutes (No March or April Meetings)
- e) Fairview Park Facility March Draft Minutes --- Minutes Accepted as Information
- f) Planning Board Minutes (No March or April Meetings)
- g) Approve Council Regular Minutes for March 10, 2020

Patricia Kindley made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Gary Wilfong seconded the motion. Council members Biggers, Clontz, Kindley and Wilfong voted yes (4-0).

### **Items of Business**

### Item 1: Discuss 2020-2021 Proposed Budget

Darrell Baucom presented the 2020-2021 budget to the Council. Council discussed and made three additions:

- Add \$1,000.00 to Office Supplies for a total of \$12,000.00
- Payroll Expense increase of cost of living only (2.15%)
- Add \$1,360.00 to Miscellaneous Expense for mowing the Hwy. 218/Mill Grove Road Roundabout

### **Item 2: Discuss Storm Water Study**

Mayor Thomas presented information on a storm water study and possible grant for Union and Lancaster counties and various Union County municipalities. Council discussed.

Jerry Clontz made a motion to approve a storm water resolution and letter stating that Fairview will contribute \$1,000.00 to support the grant process and authorize Teresa Gregorius and Phil Thomas to execute and sign documents. Patricia Kindley seconded the motion. Council members Biggers, Clontz, Kindley and Wilfong voted yes (4-0).

### Item 3: Discuss clearing a wooded area at Park

Jerry Clontz presented information regarding clearing the underbrush in the grove of trees on the Park property behind the town rental house to make an additional picnic area (2-3 tables). He has an estimate of \$2,000.00 to do the clearing. The Council discussed. Wilfong, Clontz, Kindley and Thomas offered to purchase picnic tables and Biggers offered to provide charcoal grills and pads for the area.

John Biggers made a motion to clear grove of trees at the Park at a cost of \$2,000.00. Patricia Kindley seconded the motion. Council members Biggers, Clontz, Kindley and Wilfong voted yes (4-0).

## **Council Comments**

Patricia Kindley expressed her appreciation to staff, Council and Mayor for everything that has been done to keep business going during the pandemic.

Gary Wilfong expressed his appreciation to the residents of Fairview for their understanding and cooperation during this pandemic regarding Park changes.

John Biggers seconded Wilfong's comments and expressed excitement for the newest plans for the park addition.

Jerry Clontz stated he will be talking to the Park Facility Committee about working on a trail around the creek as the park project for the coming year. He also wanted to express that he was not in favor of virtual meetings and thought there should have been a separate meeting for the budget discussions.

Mayor Thomas stated he was part of a virtual meeting with Mark Watkins, Union County Manager, assistant managers, several state representatives, Atrium Health representatives and other municipalities representatives to discuss COVID. Mr. Watkins stated that due to the pandemic the county will suffer a 20% sales tax loss for this quarter. Mayor Thomas also met with Patrick Nieland, Assistant County Manager, Fairview Fire Chief and Assistant Fire Chief to discuss a new fire department building and the old school building site. Mr. Nieland stated that there is no new fire station building in the 2020/2021 county budget. Mr. Nieland stated discussions with the fire department, Union County Schools and the Town will continue.

John Biggers made a motion to adjourn. Patricia Kindley seconded the motion. Council members Biggers, Clontz, Kindley and Wilfong voted yes (4-0).

Respectfully submitted,		
Teresa Gregorius	Phil Thomas	
Town Clerk	Mayor	

Approved this 9th day of June 2020