

**Minutes of the Meeting of the  
DeMotte Town Council  
February 24, 2014**

In attendance were Mark Boer, Alana Bauman, Terry Schultz, Dale Eenigenburg, Jeff Cambe, Clerk-Treasurer Peggy Woods, Town Attorney Emily Waddle, Town Manager John Dyke, Office Manager Heather Tokarz, and Town Secretary Kim Kendrick.

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m.

Alana Bauman made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 27, 2014 meeting and was seconded by Jeff Cambe. Motion carried with a vote of 5-0.

Police Chief Tom Jarrette stated that the Police Department has received three bids from Field House Ford for a police vehicle. A 2014 Ford Explorer for \$26,727, 2014 Ford Taurus for \$23,541, and a Ford Taurus AWD for \$24,689. Police Commissioner Jeff Cambe stated that Field House Ford matched the State bid. Police Chief Tom Jarrette stated that because of the weather issues this winter he felt that the SUV would be the better choice and he was requesting two vehicles. Clerk-Treasurer Peggy Woods said that \$23,541 was encumbered last year for a vehicle. Jeff Cambe made a motion to purchase two of the 2014 Ford Explorers and was seconded by Terry Schultz. Motion carried with a vote of 5-0.

Police Chief Tom Jarrette said the Police Department would like to return the water dispenser to Fase's since it's no longer needed.

Police Chief Tom Jarrette said he is expecting another bid on Wednesday or Thursday for the park cameras. He also said he would like the cameras in before summer. Police Chief Tom Jarrette stated that to save on costs the Town could start out with a few cameras and add more later.

Street Superintendent Jeff Powers stated that there is a drainage issue with Almond Street SW, the street floods and it has been pumped out three times. Street Superintendent Jeff Powers said he would like for Town Engineer Daryl Knip to take a look at it and maybe shoot some elevations. Daryl said he would check to see if there were any easements.

Street Superintendent Jeff Powers thanked the Sewer Department for all the help they provided during the winter storms, Mark Boer also thanked the Street Department.

Alana Bauman stated that the Park Board is in need of a member, a Republican in the Town limits.

Town Manager John Dyke stated he is requesting permission to attend a Mechanical Class March 13<sup>th</sup> in Brownsburg, Indiana. It's about a 2 ½ hour drive so he won't need to stay overnight. Motion was made to approve attending the class by Jeff Cambe and was seconded by Alana Bauman. Motion carried with a vote of 5-0.

Town Manager John Dyke stated that Cameron Fritts, Eagle Scout Project, submitted a proposal to put up a Welcome to Demotte sign at the South entrance to town. Everything is donated so it will be no cost to the Town. John said a State application needs to be signed for the sign placement. Approval of application for sign placement was made by Jeff Cambe and was seconded by Terry Schultz. Motion carried with a vote of 5-0.

Town Manager John Dyke stated that there is a vacancy on the BZA Board and would like it to be filled by their next meeting.

Office Manager Heather Tokarz stated that she is still working with Jasper County Emergency Management to obtain funding from FEMA for the storm.


Office Manager Heather Tokarz stated that bids for Safe Routes to school to let in March with work to start around Memorial Day.

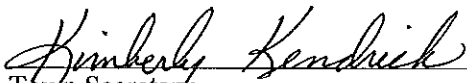
Town Attorney Emily Waddle introduced Ordinance 02242014-01 establishing protocol for snow removal surrounding the fire hydrants. Jeff Cambe made a motion to approve Ordinance 022420214-01 and Alana Bauman seconded. Motion carried with a vote of 5-0.

Daryl Knip said the Division Street construction bid is to let March 5<sup>th</sup> then it would be 85 days before the contract would be awarded.

Daryl Knip stated that the Council would need to approve the construction engineering contract by next meeting.

Dale Eenigenburg made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 p.m. Terry Schultz seconded the motion. Motion carried with a vote of 5-0.

  
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Town Council President

  
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Town Secretary