

**Minutes of the Meeting of the
DeMotte Town Council
February 26, 2018**

In attendance were Jeff Cambe, Mark Boer, Alana Bauman, Dale Eenigenburg, Terry Schultz, Attorney Luis Vallejo, Clerk-Treasurer Peggy Michelin, Town Manager John Dyke, and Office Manager Heather Tokarz. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Mark Boer made a motion to approve the January 22, 2018 minutes and was seconded by Dale Eenigenburg. Motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

Tom Jarrette stated that the Jasper County Prosecutor will be paying for the Leads On Line. The grant money for training was received.

Tom Jarrette discussed the flooding and how the department assisted the Jasper County Sheriff's Department. The displaced residents were set up to be housed at the American Legion. The Legion was not used. Tom Jarrette appreciated the American Legion's help and support during our time of need. The American Legion completed the paper work to be Red Cross certified.

Tom Jarrett discussed the new car bid. It is the state bid from Fieldhouse Ford in the amount of \$26,988. Mark Boer motioned to purchase the vehicle out of Public Safety Funds. Terry Schultz seconded. Motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

Public Works Superintendent Bob Barton asked if Dave Yurko needed to maintain the CDS license. Terry Schultz advised him to keep his CDL license. The council will re-evaluate in 2 years.

Due to the extreme rain fall, Bob Barton stated the Wastewater Plant was able to handle the extra flow and volume very well. They had no issues.

Street Superintendent Jeff Powers gave the street report. Jeff stated that they repaired pot holes. 2000 lbs of cold patch was purchased at Walsh and Kelly to complete this effort. INDOT has fixed some of the holes on Halleck. INDOT should be out this week to fix the remainder of the pot holes. Purdue Road School is next week March 6 and 7. Jeff and Don will be attending. The Leaf Program will be on April 16-20.

Park Report was given by Heather Tokarz. The Easter Egg Hunt will be on March 24, 2018 at 10am at Spencer Park cost is \$1 or 3 canned goods to go to the DeMotte Food Pantry.

Town Manager John Dyke discussed the new cell tower that was approved by the BZA. AT&T and Verizon will be the cellular service on the tower. The permit has been issued for them to get started. John Dyke discussed the rezone for Kapers' Buildin Supply property. The property was zoned R-3 and want to rezone to I-1 and B-2. Mark Boer motioned to approve the rezone to B-2 and I-1. Dale Eenigenburg seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

NIPSCO is requesting to switch our street lights to LED. The lights will be a little brighter and lower cost. The savings will be approximately \$1300 per month. Terry Schultz motioned to approve John to have the light switched to LED. Alana seconded. Motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

John stated that there is a leak in the pool. John discovered that the caulking in the pool need to be repaired. John is recommended that this fall the pool be drained, repaired and repainted in the fall.

Daryl discussed the recent communication from FEMA for the town. The town has been working at modifying the Flood Plain they have approved the hydrylic model but have not approved the mapping. The state has obtained new information that uses different information regarding the new mapping. FEMA would like to publish the maps and then we would resolve the issue with the town as a map revision. Daryl recommends to contract FEMA and request to hold off on approving and publishing until our issues are resolved. If they resist then we will have to go through the map revision process. Council agrees with Daryl and asked for him to proceed.

Office Manager Heather Tokarz reported that all year end and census reporting has been completed.

Clerk-Treasurer Peggy Michelin gave the treasurer report. Proposed the additional appropriation requested of \$700,000 in Rainy Day Funds. Dale Eenigenburg motioned to approve resolution 02262018-1. Mark Boer seconded motioned carried.

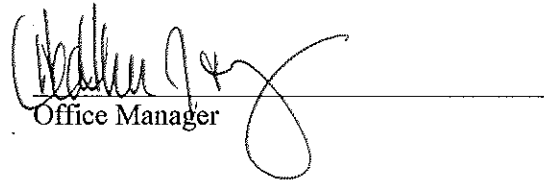
Peggy Michelin filed 44 sewer liens last week. She thanked Donna Shear for her hard work.

Daryl and Jeff are meeting with to discuss the alley drainage. Daryl will have be meeting at the TAC meeting and begin working on PASER rating.

Terry Schultz made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 p.m. Dale Eenigenburg seconded the motion. Motion carried with a 5-0 vote.



Town Council President



Office Manager