

**Minutes of the Meeting of the
DeMotte Town Council
March 23, 2015**

In attendance were Mark Boer, Alana Bauman, Terry Schultz, Dale Eenigenburg, Clerk Treasurer Peggy Michelin, Town Attorney Emily Waddle, Town Manager John Dyke and Office Manager Heather Tokarz.

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

Alana Bauman made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 23, 2015 meeting. Terry Schultz seconded the motion. Motion carried with a 4-0 vote.

Police Chief Tom Jarrette gave the police report. Tom said the dog kennels are completed.

Police Chief Tom Jarrette stated that the Fire Arm Simulator will be at the high school next week and that everyone is welcome to come out.

Public Works Superintendent Bob Barton gave WWTP report. Bob said that on April 1st the wastewater department will start the disinfection system. Bob mentioned that he will need a few parts for the UV lights.

Public Works Superintendent Bob Barton said the transfer pump is being repaired right now.

Public Works Superintendent Bob Barton said that Gasvoda will be coming out to repair the Flow Meter. The cost will be \$3,998.

Street Superintendent Jeff Powers stated that he is looking into a future possibility of using rock salt and a place to store it.

Street Superintendent Jeff Powers said that he and John Dyke are looking into putting a light at Airport Park. He said there is currently no electric at the park.

Office Manager Heather Tokarz said that the Easter Egg Hunt will be March 28th at 10 a.m.

Office Manager Heather Tokarz stated that swim lessons and pool passes are now available.

DeMotte Chamber of Commerce representative Diva Rish asked the council for approval for fireworks and other activities at the Touch of Dutch Festival. The council said that they would like to see a plan that maps out everything in detail. Diva said that she will prepare something.

Town Manager John Dyke stated that on April 14th there will be a Plan Commission and BZA meeting to cover an Architectural Committee and Landscaping requirements for Caseys. John also mentioned that they will address possibly rezoning the 2nd block of Azalea St SE.

Town Manager John Dyke reported that he and Jeff have been looking into putting stop signs at 6th and 7th streets west of Halleck Street.

Office Manager Heather Tokarz stated that the carpet repair at Town Hall will be covered at no cost to the town.

Office Manager Heather Tokarz presented two possible projects for the town. One was a roundabout at 15th St and Halleck St. The second was rebuilding Forsythia St at 15th St. Heather asked the council if they would like her to investigate funding for these projects. The council approved Heather looking into funding for rebuilding Forsythia St but to hold off on the roundabout.

Office Manager Heather Tokarz said that the Keystone Software for the office has been renewed and is good for another year.

Town Attorney Emily Waddle addressed the well violation at the Buchanan Strip Mall. Emily said that she received a proposed right of way good for 10 years from Jim Buchanan. Emily stated that we need a permanent right of way. Jim Buchanan was not present at the meeting, and he currently has been in violation for 538 days.


Terry Schultz made a motion to find Buchanan Strip Mall in violation of the town well ordinance with an illegal well for 538 days with a penalty of \$53,800 now due and to approve Town Attorney Emily Waddle to proceed with collection of the penalties. Motion seconded by Dale Eenigenburg and carried with a 4-0 vote.

Mark Boer gave the Town Engineer's report. NORWEJ will be bidding out for restoration for the Harvestview and Creekside subdivisions.

Town Engineer Daryl Knip will be putting out for bid for the two culverts at 8th and 15th streets.

Town Engineer Daryl Knip will also be reviewing the Caseys plans this week.

Dale Eenigenburg made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 p.m. Terry Schultz seconded the motion. Motion carried with a vote of 4-0.



Town Council President



Administrative Assistant