

**Minutes of the Meeting of the
DeMotte Town Council
June 22, 2015**

In attendance were Alana Bauman, Terry Schultz, Jeff Cambe, Clerk Treasurer Peggy Michelin, Town Attorney Emily Waddle, and Town Manager John Dyke.

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m.

Jeff Cambe made a motion to approve the minutes of the May 26, 2015 meeting. Terry Schultz seconded the motion. Motion carried with a 3-0 vote.

Emily Waddle presented Ordinance No. 06222015-1 to establish a Cumulative Capital Development Fund. Motion was made to pass Ordinance No. 06222015-1 by Jeff Cambe and was seconded by Terry Schultz. Motion passed 3-0.

Police Chief Tom Jarrette gave the police report. Tom said that a few of the body cameras were tested and that 10 were needed, the funds were available and would come out of the public safety fund. Motion to purchase the body cameras was made by Jeff Cambe and was seconded by Terry Schultz. Motion carried with a vote of 3-0.

Police Chief Tom Jarrette stated that the visibility problem at Orchid Street and State Road 10 is a State Highway issue. Tom said that Jeff Powers mowed some of the weeds down.

Police Chief Tom Jarrette said that an emergency plan was in place during the storm but wasn't needed.

Police Chief Tom Jarrette reported that the Prosecutor was coming with information on new laws that are coming out and DeMotte's new Judge will be there.

Police Chief Tom Jarrette said he is the instructor for the Alice program, the program is already in the public schools and would be taking it to the private schools.

Public Works Superintendent Bob Barton gave the wastewater report. Bob said the bio solids pump stopped working, they located a pump to rent and was able to get everything pumped. Bob said they got pricing on a new pump of \$5,000 and \$7,000 and Terry Schultz gave approval to purchase the Meyer pump for \$5,000. The old pump is being repaired and with the purchase of the Meyer pump they will have a backup.

Public Works Superintendent Bob Barton stated Grimmer Construction bored through a sewer lateral on 15th Street which Grimmer repaired but sand is in the collection system. Bob said there is too much flow for the Jetter to work so a bigger one is needed. Grimmer is working with them on the issue.

Street Superintendent Jeff Powers reported that he received a bid from Kuiper's in the amount of \$1,750 to remove the trees and brush in the Spencer Park Ditch. Terry Schultz asked if that included cleaning the ditch to which Jeff stated that it did not and the stumps would be left. Terry suggested that Jeff look for other estimates on removing the trees and brush and also scraping the ditch to improve water flow. Jeff said that he will follow up with more estimates.

Street Superintendent Jeff Powers reported that businesses around Almond & 3rd Street SW requested a stop sign be placed at the intersection due to many close calls witnessed. Police Chief Tom Jarrette suggested, for safety reasons, a "cross traffic does not stop" sign be installed instead of a stop sign.

Street Superintendent Jeff Powers stated that he had advertised for bids to clean the Spencer Park Ditch. Jeff said he only received one bid from DeYoung Dirt Works in the amount of \$41,000. The council took the bid under advisement and asked Jeff to contact some other contractors for quotes.

Alana Bauman gave the Parks report. Alana said the Senior Day event was a success, the food was good and there were many generous donations by area businesses.

Alana Bauman stated that tickets are on sale now for the Rail Cats game on July 25th.

Alana Bauman said that two movie nights have been cancelled due to the weather and hopefully will be rescheduled. John Dyke said he will check the park grounds to see if the next movie night will also have to be cancelled.

Town Manager John Dyke said that work will begin soon on the Casey's General Store.

Town Manager John Dyke said he received a bid of \$1,900 for putting in electric at Airport Park. Terry Schultz made a motion to install electric at Airport Park and Jeff Cambe seconded. Motion passed with a vote of 3-0.

Town Manager John Dyke said there are trees leaning and about to fall located on 8th by the railroad tracks, he received an estimate of \$900 to take them down. Terry Schultz made a motion to take down the trees and was seconded by Jeff Cambe. Motion carried with a vote of 3-0.

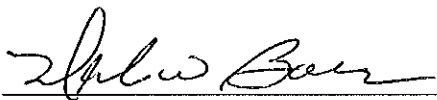
Town Attorney Emily Waddle reported that there has been no substantial movement from the Buchanan Strip Mall to connect to the Town water.

Town Manager John Dyke gave the Engineer's report. John said the culvert bids for 15th Ave. NW and 8th St. SE were opened at 3 p.m. with Rieth Riley having the lowest bid at \$67,915.25 for the 8th St culvert and \$69,652.50 for the 15th Ave culvert. John said Town Engineer Daryl Knip recommended Reith Riley. Jeff Cambe made a motion to accept the bid from Rieth Riley for both culverts and was seconded by Terry Schultz. Motion passed with a vote of 3-0.

Town Manager John Dyke gave an update on the intersection of Forsythia St SE and 15th Ave NW. John said 30% of the plans are completed with a cost of \$90 to \$100 thousand.

Town Manager John Dyke said there is a verbal agreement with INDOT, the plan is to excavate to the perforated drain pipe on Halleck Street and replace it with solid pipe. The cost is \$3,000 per drain which INDOT is to pay.

Jeff Cambe made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 p.m. Terry Schultz seconded the motion. Motion carried with a vote of 3-0.



Town Council President



Secretary