

**Minutes of the Meeting of the
DeMotte Town Council
July 22, 2013**

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

Absent: Jeff Cambe

The meeting was called to order at 7:08 p.m.

Alana Bauman made a motion to approve the minutes of the June 24, 2013 meeting and was seconded by Dale Eenigenburg. Motion carried with a vote of 4-0.

Police Chief Tom Jarrette stated he met with the Soccer Association and Little League regarding weather preparedness. He said they are working on a plan and moving forward.

Police Chief Tom Jarrette said he spoke for the Rotary and it was an enjoyable time.

Police Chief Tom Jarrette said the Touch of Dutch will be two days this year, the 9th and 10th of August.

Sewer Superintendent Bob Barton stated that the WAS pump was replaced with a bigger and better pump.

Sewer Superintendent Bob Barton stated that the 50 horse electric motor has bad bearings and will be replaced.

Sewer Superintendent Bob Barton said that there is a need to look into acquiring a new truck and he will be getting quotes.

The paving list bid from Town & Country was opened by Dale Eenigenburg, the total was \$148,756. Clerk-Treasurer Peggy Woods stated \$70,000 was the most that could be allocated. The streets that should have priority were discussed. Street Superintendent Jeff Powers recommended lines 1.) 5th St. SW; from Almond to Cedar, 3.) Birch St.; from 9th St to 10th St., 5.) Begonia St. SE; DeMotte Christian PL to 15th St. SE and 8.) Daisy St.; SE from 8th to 518 Daisy St. for a total of \$65,856. Motion was made by Dale Eenigenburg to pave the priority streets. Alana Bauman seconded the motion. Motion carried with a 4-0 vote.

Street Superintendent Jeff Powers said the crack repairs at Field Of Dreams parking lot is finished.

Street Superintendent Jeff Powers stated that all the inspections on the freight liner truck should be completed by August.

Office Manager Heather Tokarz said that movie night is going well. Heather also stated that Radio Days will be held on July 24, 2013, there will be prizes and giveaways by the radio station.

Town Manager John Dyke stated there will be a Plan Commission meeting with the attorney on Wednesday to discuss the homes being built without DNR approval.

Town Manager John Dyke said Advanced Auto was moving forward with their building on Halleck Street.

Town Manager John Dyke stated the Town Hall generator has been serviced and is ready to go.

Office Manager Heather Tokarz stated the Division Street and Safe Routes to School Projects are set to start next year.

Office Manager Heather Tokarz said the cost to mow at the Fairchild House would be \$60 each time, and the plowing for the parking lot could be done but the Town doesn't have the manpower to shovel the side walk.

Town Attorney Emily Waddle asked if Fairchild House is private property, it was determined that it is private property but it is non-profit. No motion was made and business continued.

Office Manager Heather Tokarz stated the Redevelopment Commission spent \$0 for the year 2012.


Clerk-Treasurer Peggy Woods said she and Heather met with Miranda from DLGF on July 8th and the budget is set for Public Hearing on September 23, 2013.


Town Attorney Emily Waddle stated that Family Express was sent a letter after the last Town Council meeting stating no waiver of annexation. Emily recommended setting up billing for Family Express, invoice them for the past due amount, and file a sewer lien if not paid in thirty days. Town Council approved her recommendation.

Daryl stated that there was substantial completion of the water tower and water main.

Town Council President Mark Boer received a letter from Robert J. Gabrielse of PET Ministries, Inc. asking that the Town waive the fees for a free standing sign and a variance for the parking lot/driveway areas. Dale Eenigenburg made a motion to waive the fees. Terry Schultz seconded the motion. Motion carried with a 4-0 vote.

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 4-0.


Town Council President


Town Secretary