

**Minutes of the Meeting of the  
DeMotte Town Council  
September 22, 2014**

In attendance were Mark Boer, Alana Bauman, Terry Schultz, Dale Eenigenburg, Clerk Treasurer Peggy Woods, 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 August 25, 2014 meeting. Terry Schultz seconded the motion. Motion carried with 4-0 vote.

Mark Boer introduced Dennis Otten from Bose McKinney & Evans LLP and John SeEVERS from Umbaugh & Associates. Dennis presented Ordinance 09222014-1 concerning Sewage Works Bonds Series 2000 and 2005 that authorizes the issuance of sewage works refunding revenue bonds. Dennis and John briefly explained how the process works.

Terry Schultz made a motion to suspend the rules for the Sewage Works Bonds Series 2000 and Sewage Works Bonds 2005 and adopt Ordinance 09222014-1 on the first reading. Alana Bauman seconded the motion. Motion carried with a 4-0 vote.

Police Chief Tom Jarrette said he is still working on pricing for shatter glass for the window on the police department side.

Police Chief Tom Jarrette stated that a dispatcher is leaving his department. Tom requested permission to advertise for the open position. Dale Eenigenburg made a motion to approve the police department to advertise for a dispatcher position. Alana Bauman seconded the motion. Motion was approved with a vote of 4-0.

Police Chief Tom Jarrette introduced Erik Johnson, who requested permission from the council to improve the police department's dog kennels for his Eagle Scout project. Erik said that he will replace all of the fencing, put an outer crust to protect the kennels from the weather and put a roof on the kennels. Erik said that he will pay for the project from donations. Alana Bauman made a motion to approve Erik Johnson to improve the police department's dog kennels as long as John approves the plans. Dale Eenigenburg seconded the motion. Motion carried with a 4-0 vote.

Police Chief Tom Jarrette introduced Russell Baize, who requested permission from the council to improve the police department's shooting range for his Eagle Scout project. Russell said that he is also funding his project with donations. Russell said that he will build new boards, increase the number of ranges, and provide barricades for tactical events. Terry Schultz made a motion to allow Russell Baize to improve the police department's shooting range and was seconded by Dale Eenigenburg. Motion was approved with a 4-0 vote.

Public Works Superintendent Bob Barton stated that the lab construction is progressing and looking great.

Public Works Superintendent Bob Barton said that the Jetter's tank went bad. Bob said an aluminum tank was built to replace the old one for a cost of \$3,400. This new tank was installed last week.

Public Works Superintendent Bob Barton stated the WAS pump was replaced for \$17,000. The new WAS pump is up and running now.

Office Manager Heather Tokarz presented a quote from Traffic Control Specialists (TCS) in the amount of \$7,506.69 to do striping on all intersections between 8<sup>th</sup> Ave to 9<sup>th</sup> St SW and to include all of 3<sup>rd</sup> Court in Park Centre. This quote is good for 45 days. Clerk Treasurer Peggy Woods said that the cost could be funded from CEDIT because we are going to receive a monthly distribution for CEDIT for approximately \$13,000. Dale Eenigenburg made a motion to approve TCS to stripe the intersections between 8<sup>th</sup> Ave to 9<sup>th</sup> St SW and 3<sup>rd</sup> Court in Park Centre for a cost of \$7,506.69 to be paid from CEDIT. Terry Schultz seconded the motion. Motion carried with a 4-0 vote.

Office Manager Heather Tokarz said that the leaf program will run from October 20<sup>th</sup> to November 24<sup>th</sup>.

Office Manager Heather Tokarz presented two bids for work to correct a drainage issue at Almond St SW in South Point Terrace. The first bid was from DeYoung Dirt Works in the amount of \$40,989 and the second bid was from Grimmer Construction in the amount of \$84,143.

After a brief discussion, Peggy Woods recommended that the town wait until next year due to the budget taking a big hit due to all of emergencies this year. The council agreed to postpone this work until 2015 due to unexpected expenses this year.

Office Manger Heather Tokarz said that Trunk or Treat will be held at Spencer Park on October 31<sup>st</sup> from 5 – 7 p.m. There will also be a concert from 6 – 9 p.m. First Reformed Church is sponsoring this event.

Town Manager John Dyke introduced Josh Mobaely. Josh stated that he represents a company called Foreclosures for Cash. Josh said they had purchased the property at 5795 W State Road 10 and requested permission to connect to the town sewer. He is making this request because this property is outside the town limits, but there is a stub right in front of the property. Terry Schultz made a motion to approve sewer hookup for the property at 5795 W State Road 10 pending the recording of the waiver of annexation. Alana Bauman seconded the motion. Motion was approved with a vote of 4-0.

Town Manager John Dyke said that he has quite a few commercial permits right now. John said that Family Dollar, Grace Fellowship addition, remodeling of DeMotte Elementary and the Intermediate School as well as the Keener Township EMS building are all commercial projects that he is dealing with.

Town Manager John Dyke presented two bids for drainage work at Almond St NW & 6<sup>th</sup> Ave in Prospect Hills. The first bid was from DeYoung Dirt Works in the amount of \$3,235.28 and the second bid was from KV Land Improvements for the amount of \$1,755. Peggy Woods said that the work can be funded from CEDIT. Dale Eenigenburg made a motion to approve the drainage work at Almond St NW & 6<sup>th</sup> Ave to be done by KV Land Improvements for the amount of \$1,755 to be paid from CEDIT. Alana Bauman seconded the motion. Motion was approved with a 4-0 vote.

Town Manager John Dyke said that the curb at 5<sup>th</sup> St and Halleck was torn up by a fallen tree as a result of the tornado in July. John said that he has an estimate from DeYoung Dirt Works in the amount of \$740 to make the repairs. Alana Bauman made a motion to approve DeYoung Dirt Works to repair the curb at 5<sup>th</sup> St & Halleck St for the amount of \$740. Motion seconded by Dale Eenigenburg. Motion carried with a 4-0 vote.

Office Manager Heather Tokarz stated that Division Street is near completion and that striping will be done this week. Heather said that Safe Routes to School is waiting on better weather to plant trees.


Mark Boer presented Judge Greg Osborn a Certificate of Appreciation for his service. Greg retired as of June 30<sup>th</sup>.

Mark Boer opened the floor to the public for the 2015 Budget Hearing.

No Comment and Mark Boer closed the floor to public hearing.

Clerk Treasurer Peggy Woods said that she applied for a \$300,000 Levy to help our budget for 2015. She said this is being done to replace funds that were depleted for storm clean up this year. Peggy and Mark both said that the town wants to continue to provide assistance to the citizens during emergencies and need to be prepared for future events and to remain financially responsible.

Terry Schultz made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 p.m. Dale Eenigenburg seconded the motion. Motion carried with a vote of 4-0.

  
Town Council President

  
Administrative Assistant