

**Minutes of the Meeting of the
DeMotte Town Council
November 27, 2017**

In attendance were, Mark Boer, Alana Bauman, Jeff Cambe, Dale Eenigenburg, Terry Schultz, Attorney Luis Vallejo, Clerk-Treasurer Peggy Michelin, Town Manager John Dyke, Office Manager Heather Tokarz and Administrative Assistant Donna Shear

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Alana Bauman made a motion to approve the minutes from the October 23, 2017 meeting and seconded by Jeff Cambe. Motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

Police Chief Tom Jarrette gave the police report. Tom said that the police department is in need of two radios. The cost to purchase these two radios will be approximately \$1,400 to \$1,500. Jeff Cambe made a motion to approve the purchase of two radios for the police department to be paid out of Public Safety equipment in the amount not to exceed \$1,500 and seconded by Dale Eenigenburg. Motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

Police Chief Tom Jarrette said that due to recent events, the police department will be conducting a training program in the near future.

Sewer Commissioner Terry Schultz gave the wastewater report. Terry said that the problematic motors at the Dogwood Lift Station have been changed out and are working fine now.

Office Manager Heather Tokarz gave the street report. Heather said the leaf program was extended through this week because of the mild weather and leaves falling late this year. Jeff will review the need to continue the leaf program on a weekly basis.

Office Manager Heather Tokarz said that the handrail on Halleck Street has been installed and the work is complete.

Office Manager Heather Tokarz said that Jeff Powers would like to purchase a salt box for the one ton truck and has received a bid from Lindco in the amount of \$5,935. Dale Eenigenburg made a motion to approve the purchase of a salt box in the amount of \$5,935 from Lindco to be paid from the MVH equipment fund. Jeff Cambe seconded the motion. Motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

Office Manager Heather Tokarz stated that Jeff Powers noticed that one of the streets in Harvestview Subdivision has been given the wrong name on the plat. Jeff would like to have the plat changed to reflect the correct name for the street that was given the wrong name. Terry Schultz made a motion to approve changing the name of Cardinal Street to Gardenia Street on the Harviestview Subdivision plat. Dale Eenigenburg seconded the motion. Motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

Office Manager Heather Tokarz said that Jeff Powers has priced purchasing salt from two companies. The first company is in Hebron and they charge \$90 per ton and will deliver as needed. The second company is in Winimac and they charge \$80 per ton but require a purchase of 100 tons. After a brief discussion, it was decided that Jeff Powers should purchase salt from the Hebron company due to the fact that storage is an issue for 100 tons of salt and that a large amount will be left over after snow season.

Town Manager John Dyke said that he has three rezones in the works and hopes that all three will be on the agenda for the January 2018 Plan Commission meeting.

Town Manager John Dyke recommended Colton Hayes as a back up building inspector. John said that he would like to take Colton on inspections and take him to educational seminars. The council approved of John training Colton Hayes as a back up building inspector.

Office Manager Heather Tokarz presented Ordinance 11272017-02 for an increase in sewer and trash rates to be effective as of January 1, 2018. Terry Schultz made a motion to approve Ordinance 11272017-02 and seconded by Jeff Cambe. Motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

Office Manager Heather Tokarz presented Ordinance 11272017-01 regarding the 2018 holidays to be observed by the office. Dale Eenigenburg made a motion to approve Ordinance 11272017-01 and seconded by Jeff Cambe. Motion carried with 5-0 vote.

Office Manager Heather Tokarz presented Ordinance 11272017-03 regarding uncollectable sewer accounts. Alana Bauman made a motion to approve Ordinance 11272017-03 and seconded by Jeff Cambe. Motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

Office Manager Heather Tokarz said that she has applied for a grant for a crosswalk, ADA ramps and sidewalks.

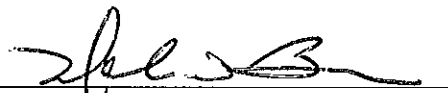
Attorney Luis Vallejo stated that the owner of the Marathon station had contacted his office. The remediation with IDEM has ended and should see work soon. The lawsuits have been filed.

Attorney Luis Vallejo stated that the work at Hillside Shopping is moving along.

Office Manager Heather Tokarz stated that Daryl Knip and Jeff Powers will be getting together to work on the issue of alley drainage on the east and west sides of Halleck Street.

Office Manager Heather Tokarz stated that the two bids for the 5th Street and 9th Street Community Crossing Grant are due in December.

Dale Eenigenburg made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:25 p.m. Alana Bauman seconded the motion. Motion carried with a 5-0 vote.



Town Council President



Administrative Assistant