

**Minutes of the Meeting of the
DeMotte Town Council
May 23, 2016**

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

Absent: Jeff Cambe and Town Attorney Emily Waddle

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 p.m.

Motion to approve the April 25, 2016 minutes was made by Alana Bauman and seconded by Dale Eenigenburg. Motion passed with a vote of 4 - 0.

Police Chief Tom Jarrette gave the police report. Tom said he is still working on bids for the shatter proof glass.

Police Chief Tom Jarrette said the new vehicle is in and set up.

Public Works Superintendent Bob Barton gave the Sewer Departments' report. Bob said that the south ditch has been oxidized and that he is getting the new building ready for the dumpster to start the Bio Solids.

Street Superintendent Jeff Powers presented bids for a new truck. Dale Eenigenburg made a motion to accept the bid from Fieldhouse Ford in the amount of \$29,596 for a 2017 one ton truck. Terry Schultz seconded the motion and motion carried with a 4 - 0 vote.

Street Superintendent Jeff Powers submitted a bid from Potter's Landscaping to mow the ditch in front of the Town Hall on Division Street heading east down to Elderberry at a cost of \$200 each time they mow it. Jeff said it takes two employees a full day to mow the ditch. Dale Eenigenburg made a motion to hire Potter's Landscaping to mow the ditch on Division St at a cost of \$200 each time they mow. Alana Bauman seconded the motion and motion carried with a 4 - 0 vote.

Office Manager Heather Tokarz gave the Park Report. The pool will open on Saturday, May 28th. Heather said there will be four movie nights in June and that Senior Day will be on June 15th.

Office Manager Heather Tokarz stated the Park Board is interested in replacing a broken Merry-Go-Round at Spencer Park. The council asked that Heather get a recommendation from the Park Board before moving forward.

Town Manager John Dyke stated that the pool heater was replaced today. John also mentioned that the pool will need to be caulked.

Town Manager John Dyke stated that an Eagle Scout went before the Park Board with a proposed project of placing park benches in the town parks. The Eagle Scout is supposed to meet with Jeff Powers but has not done so yet.

Town Manager John Dyke said that he was in Louisville, Kentucky for two days at the end of April for classes on Fire Code and Energy Code. He said they were very educational and enjoyed being able to attend.

Office Manager Heather Tokarz stated that she has submitted the paperwork for an INDOT grant for Division Street and 9th Street.

Clerk-Treasurer Peggy Michelin said that she received the invoice from the Jasper County Economic Development and that it is budgeted to be paid out of the General Fund.

Clerk-Treasurer Peggy Michelin presented Ordinance 05232016-1 establishing salaries for new police officers. Terry Schultz made a motion to approve Ordinance 05232016-1 and was seconded by Dale Eenigenburg. The motion carried with a vote of 4 - 0.

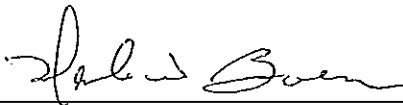
Clerk-Treasurer Peggy Michelin presented Ordinance 052316-2 establishing salaries for the Spencer Park Pool Employees. Alana Bauman made a motion to approve Ordinance 052316-2. Dale Eenigenburg seconded the motion and it carried with a vote of 4 - 0.

Town Engineer Daryl Knip gave the Engineering Report. Daryl said that 15th Street will be closed for the culvert work for about one week beginning May 31st. They should have work completed within two weeks. When this work is completed, he can start working on the map updates.

Town Engineer Daryl Knip said that the Forsythia St SE project has not been awarded yet.

Town Engineer Daryl Knip explained how the Asset Road Management Grant works. There are funds available to communities for road repair projects if they qualify. The report must be submitted by June 1st and the application must be submitted by July 3rd. Daryl recommended the Council give Mark Boer permission to sign the report since the council will not meet again before June 1st. Terry Schultz made the motion to give Mark Boer authority to sign the report for the Asset Road Management Grant and was seconded by Dale Eenigenburg. Motion carried with a 4 - 0 vote.

Terry Schultz made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 p.m. Alana Bauman seconded the motion. Motion carried with a vote of 4-0.



Town Council President



Administrative Assistant