

December 15, 2020

This is a report of the regular meeting of the Rossville Town Council at the Rossville Town Hall at 6:30 p.m. This meeting was rescheduled from Tuesday, December 8, 2020 due to a COVID outbreak.

On call of the roll: David Severt, Jack Fingerle, and William Croto.

Also present were Robert Shaffer and Mabel Champley.

David Severt called the meeting to order and minutes from the previous meeting were approved as presented.

Mabel Champley appeared before the Council to discuss a wastewater drainage issue behind her home. Chad Colby was absent due to COVID exposure; however, during a telephone conversation with him during the meeting, he stated he would investigate the issue when he returns to work.

An email was read from Jourdan Martin and Tyler Eitelman. As they both work 2nd shift, they were unable to attend the meeting. They had an issue with one of their toilets causing an excessive bill. After discussion, Jack Fingerle made a motion to reduce the wastewater and penalty portion of their bill by \$205.78 as a one-time only adjustment, seconded by Bill Croto, and passed by Council.

Council took under consideration the recommendation from Chad Colby to hire Kolton Harshbarger in a part time position as a laborer for the utility and street departments. After discussion, it was approved to hire him.

Travis Harris was absent; however, Pat McIlrath informed Council that he had been called down to a residence on E. Main St. as there were chickens and roosters in her yard from a neighbor living on E. North St. Following a conversation with the individual on E. North St., he was told the chickens would be gone by morning. Council was also informed that only one business person had responded to changing some alleys to one way. Amending the street ordinance was tabled until the January meeting.

There was discussion of implementing a COVID policy. After reviewing a policy from Fowler, it was decided not to adopt a policy and that employees should follow CDC guidelines.

Encumbrance and Transfer Ordinance 2020-09 was presented to Council for review. The street department is asking to encumber \$9,000.00 in the 2020 Budget to be used in 2021 to replace a Woods Mower. After consideration, Bill Croto made a motion to approve Encumbrance and Transfer Ordinance 2020-09, seconded by Jack Fingerle, and passed by Council.

Ordinance 2020-08, an ordinance to amend the current Sewer Use Ordinance, was presented to Council for consideration. Bill Croto made a motion to suspend the rules and approve Ordinance 2020-08 on second and third readings, seconded by Jack Fingerle, and passed by Council.

Due to the retirement of Donna Hubbard as a crossing guard effective December 18, 2020, the position will be vacant. Council took under consideration the recommendation from Pat McIlrath to hire Donna Arthur for the crossing guard position. After discussion, the Council approved to hire her in the position.

Voucher Registers dated December 8th and 15th, 2020 were approved and presented.

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned to the year-end meeting on December 28, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. at the Rossville Town Hall.

David Severt, President of the Council

Attest: _____
Patricia McIlrath
Clerk Treasurer
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