

**MINUTES
FELSENTHAL CITY COUNCIL
6-14-2016
4:00
TOWN HALL**

A quorum being established, Mayor Newbury called the meeting to order. At roll call the following members were present: Mr. Clawson, Ms. Neal, Mr. Holland and Mr. Newbury. Mrs. Harris was not present.

Mr. Newbury moved, seconded by Mr. Clawson to accept the minutes for the previous meeting, (May 10, 2016). The roll call vote was unanimous. The motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS

Mayor Newbury told the council that more information was needed on considering the condemnation of properties in town, tearing down or burning, especially the legal ramifications, etc. She told the council that she would research the matter more, and she would present options for the council to consider at the next meeting.

Mr. Fricke, owner of B & B flooring, has completed our flooring project and the exterior work that we needed to have done due to damage to the outside wall.

We are still in the early stages of getting a Trail for Life Grant. The mayor told the council that it looks like we are in good shape and the process continues. We will have to contact Corps of Engineers for the same deal as the other grant we applied for in a previous grant application. Also, we will have to send letters to community leaders and other interested parties for support. Resolution #113-16 was presented. Mr. Holland moved, seconded by Mr. Clawson, to approve resolution #113-16, which gave authorization to the mayor to pursue the grant process to obtain funding from the Health and Fitness Trail program. The roll call vote was unanimous. The motion passed.

Mickey Parker, our Public Works Superintendent, reported to the council that one new aerator has been installed and is working as designed. He stated that the second aerator is in reserve and that if needed can be installed quickly. The mayor notified ADEQ that the work has been completed.

NEW BUSINESS

Mayor Newbury told the Council that the town needed new water/sewer user agreements, a written policy about due dates, overdue bills, and turn off dates. Consequently, she suggested a Revision of Ordinance #01-2013. After discussion of the new documents and policy clarification, the revision was voted on. A motion was made by Mr. Holland, and was seconded by Mr. Clawson, to approve the revision of ordinance #01-2013. The roll call vote was unanimous. The motion passed. Also, the mayor noted for the council the changes in wording to the back of our water bills to include the due date of the 15th of each month and a reconnect fee of \$50.00.

The Budget Resolution #114-16 to modify budget to accommodate grants and emergency expenditures

was presented by the mayor. A motion was made by Mr. Clawson, and was seconded by Mr. Newbury to approve 2016 budget based upon actual revenues and expenditures. The adjustments to the approved budget were necessary because of grant money was allotted to the Town of Felsenthal for purchasing new aerators, and a state of emergency being declared wherein the flooring in the Town Hall building and some exterior sheathing required immediate repair and replacement. The roll call vote was unanimous. The motion passed.

Mrs. Newbury reported to the council about a block grant opportunity to help Mike Nash, coordinator of the Breamfest this year, to possibly get monies to make improvements on the activity building, particularly the water lines and the electrical circuitry. Mr. Nash and Mayor Newbury will be in discussion with County Judge Mike Lofton about matching monies. The mayor said she would help in any way she could.

Mickey Parker, Public Works Superintendent, brought up the subject about citizens complaining about several campers using one meter hook-up, and not having to pay deposits and water bills. The mayor and council decided to look into this matter and come up with the right solution for everyone in Felsenthal.

Financial Reports for May 2016 were presented and discussed. Mr. Clawson moved, and it was seconded by Mr. Newbury, to accept the financial reports as presented. The roll call vote was unanimous. The motion passed.

The Mayor then noted to the council that our agreed upon procedures for the Water and Sewer funds (2015) were completed and that we got a clean bill from the CPA, Mr. Steve Savage, with no exceptions noted. The Mayor congratulated the bookkeeper and Town Recorder/Treasurer, Mrs. Shirley Gilmore, and her assistant bookkeeper, Mrs. Martha Jo Lancaster, for doing such a laudable job of taking care of our finances.

Mr. Holland moved to adjourn the meeting, and it was seconded by Mr. Clawson. The roll call vote was unanimous. The motion passed.

Mayor

Recorder/Treasurer