

**MINUTES
FELSENTHAL CITY COUNCIL
7-12-2016
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, Mrs. Harris, Mr. Holland, and Mr. Newbury. Ms. Neal was not present.

Mr. Clawson moved, seconded by Mr. Newbury, to accept the minutes for the previous meeting, (June 14, 2016). The roll call vote was unanimous. The motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS

The mayor reported that we received a letter from ADEQ that we were now in compliance with all their rules and regulations concerning our sewer system.

Mayor Newbury reported on our Trail for Life Grant application for a walking trail. She stated that she has talked with Mrs. Holloway from the Corps of Engineers about getting a long term lease deal to use their property for the trail. We are still going forward with the process.

The Mayor also updated the council on our progress with the condemnation of properties, etc. She stated that there were a lot of legal ramifications, and that she was going to check with the Municipal League about some legal advice.

The Mayor told the council that she was to meet with Judge Loftin and Mike Nash of the Breamfest Association concerning a block grant possibility to make improvements to the water lines and the electrical circuitry at the Breamfest building. She is supposed to meet with them on Wednesday, July 13th to discuss what needs to be done to make this happen.

There was a long discussion about multiple hook-ups to one water meter. The mayor said she wanted to be fair to all the citizens in Felsenthal. There were a lot of options discussed, but it seemed that the consensus at the close of the discussion leaned to tying the sewer usage to water usage after the minimum is reached. There will be more discussion at the next meeting in August.

Mr. Haen, the Neighborhood watch coordinator, was at the meeting to ask and answer questions. Everyone talked about how to get the citizens involved. The council agreed that this issue is the problem for all the citizens of Felsenthal, not just a few. The main thing was trying to get people on a schedule to make drive throughs in their part of town and report anything out of the ordinary. The mayor and council members said they would get more involved in making the watch program a success. Emails and phone calls will be made by all the council and the Mayor to facilitate more participation.

NEW BUSINESS

The filing deadline for Independent Candidates for aldermen is (July 29-August 19). There was a petition for nomination form on hand for the council members who were interested. These petitions are available in the Town Hall for anyone who might wish to run for office as well.

We received a letter from the Salvation Army about revamping the food program. The council had to approve that our facility could be used by the Salvation Army representatives when they came to deliver food to the needy in our town. Mrs. Harris moved and it was seconded by Mr. Clawson to approve the use of our facility when the Salvation Army renews their program. The roll call was unanimous. The motion passed.

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

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

Mayor

Recorder/Treasurer