

MINUTES
Felsenthal City Council
MEETING
11-13-14

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

Mr. Newbury moved, seconded by Mr. Clawson, to accept the minutes for regular meeting, 10-14-14, as presented. The roll call vote was unanimous. The motion passed.

Old Business

The mayor announced that there is no new information on when the paving work will begin on K Avenue.

ADEQ has requested from us a CAP – Corrective Action Plan – for alleviating the PH, dissolved oxygen, and suspended particles violations at our sewer pond over the past three years, before they will renew our wastewater permit. Mickey Parker and Mayor Newbury attended a meeting in North Little Rock with the ADEQ personnel, who explained the violations and their consequences if left unchecked. Our Engineer, Jeremy Stone, represented us at this meeting as well, and he has presented us with a plan to resolve this problem and to send to ADEQ for their approval. Once they approve the plan, a design and permit application for Cascade steps will be completed and submitted. Once approved, bids will be let on these improvements and once the project is awarded, construction of improvements will begin. The entire process will be completed by August, according to the CAP.

The mayor informed the council that issues concerning the land title to our property on 1st street still have not resolved. There seems to be no way to hurry the process.

The Mayor announced that our Fire Truck has been sold to Barker Steel for scrap, as per instructions from the council, and that the money has been deposited into the General Fund.

New Business

The Mayor presented to the council the idea of introducing a COLA for employees (not elected officials). After discussion with the council, the Mayor took their suggestion to introduce a 3% COLA for 2015, with the agreement that COLAS will be optional and considered annually, depending upon revenues and expenditures that year.

Renewal of ADD policy for officials and department heads was discussed. It was moved by Mr. Clawson, seconded by Mrs. Harris, to renew the ADD policy with Arkansas Municipal League for 2015. Roll call vote was unanimous. The motion passed.

The Mayor wished the council a Happy Thanksgiving and told them that plans for December meeting and Christmas dinner would come to them soon.

Financial Reports were then presented and discussed, especially the surpluses in each account. Mr. Newbury moved, seconded by Mr. Clawson, to accept the reports as presented. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Mrs. Harris moved to adjourn meeting, seconded by Mr. Newbury. Roll call vote was unanimous. The motion passed.

Mayor

Recorder/Treasurer