

**Minutes
Felsenthal City Council
Meeting
May 12, 2015**

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

Mr. Newbury moved, seconded by Mr. Holland, to accept the minutes for the regular meeting, April 14, 2015. The roll call vote was unanimous. The motion passed.

Old Business

The Resurfacing work on K Avenue is in process. According to County Judge Mike Loftin, it should be completed in a few days, weather permitting.

We are continuing to send monthly progress reports to ADEQ as mandated. The Entergy Right of way will be completed for the new electric lines to the sewage lagoons as soon as weather permits. Mayor Newbury is working with Senator Bobby Pierce to obtain funding for the new lines. The mayor reported on several issues: 1) She stated that there is no new information concerning the potential Verizon booster, but we are still in communication with them about it. 2) Mr. Steve Savage, CPA, who conducted the audit on our Water and Sewer Funds confirmed a report of no findings in all categories. 3) Mayor Newbury attended a Southwest Arkansas Planning and Development District meeting on April 28, which introduced the possibility of grant money for a walking trail. 4) The Breamfest planning is ongoing and will be held at Felsenthal on Friday, May 22nd and Saturday May 23rd. Contact information about the Breamfest can be found on our website. 5) We will have to plan another Neighborhood Watch organizational meeting to discuss information to go forward. 6) Citizens have complained that the Country garbage trucks are tearing up the yards and the ditches in town and dumping garbage water in the middle of their streets, which causes flies and stench. The council directed the Mayor to discuss these issues with the County authorities.

The Council voted on the revised version of Ordinance #01-2011 concerning Animal Control. This was amended to be more in line with the State and County ordinance about dangerous and vicious animals. Mr. Holland moved, and was seconded by Mr. Clawson, to accept the revised Animal Control version as presented. The motion passed.

Mayor Newbury has been in discussion with Matt Thomas, the town's lawyer, about where we stand with Quantico Oil, the company who wants to use K Avenue and 6th Street to bring in drilling equipment. Mr. Thomas has told them that they should probably find another way into and out of Felsenthal, since K Avenue is being resurfaced and any damage they would certainly do would be to new roads. He said he has not heard from them since he related this information to them.

Mickey Parker, Public Works Superintendent and Mayor Newbury attended the Floodplain Administrators meeting on Tuesday, May 5th. They are both currently fully certified.

The mayor cashed in our CD at the First Financial Bank Water Fund account, and the entire proceeds were transferred to our current Money Market Account at First Financial as per the instructions from the Council. The balance in that account now stands at \$119,447.12. All of this money is reserve money. We also have reserve accounts for this fund at Simmons First in Strong.

New Business

Resolution for #111-15 (Street Aid). Bids will be let June 9th for the job of resurfacing most of the streets in Felsenthal (other than K Avenue). When bids are complete, the contractors typically start work 4-6 weeks later, according to the State sources. Mr. Clawson moved, and was seconded by Mr. Newbury, to enact Resolution #111-15 which would allow the town to accept the money for the Street Aid project. The motion passed unanimously.

Financial Reports (April, 2015) were presented and discussed. Mr. Newbury moved, and was seconded by Mr. Clawson, to accept the financial reports as presented. At roll call the vote was unanimous. The motion passed.

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

Mayor

Recorder/Treasurer