

Town of Felsenthal
April Council Meeting

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The meeting was called to order by the Mayor, and the roll was called. Aldermen present were the following: James Holland, Troy Clawson, Margurite Neal, Jack Newbury, and Virginia Harris.

Mayor Newbury called an executive session to discuss personnel matters.

Minutes of the previous meeting were presented. A motion was made by Virginia Harris and seconded by Jack Newbury to accept minutes as presented. Roll call votes were unanimous. The motion passed.

In old business:

Mayor Newbury commented about the ongoing Neighborhood Watch volunteer program, which we are trying to get organized. Volunteers are slowly coming in. When there are enough, we will call the Sheriff's office to send a trainer for us.

A report was presented about the restructured insurance. EMC Insurance from El Dorado and the Municipal League now provide all the town's insurance.

Sewer indebtedness was the next old business addressed by the council. The council discussed the issue and decided to take some of our reserve money and pay off the smaller of the two loans against the sewer system. Virginia Harris moved that we do so, and James Holland seconded the motion. Roll call vote was unanimous and the motion passed.

The mayor offered an explanation about a question asked at the last council meeting about a line item in the budget.

A couple of property owners in the area received notices that their properties were out of compliance with the town's ordinance regarding rank growth. Response has been good and promises of corrections were made.

The mayor checked into mosquito spraying for this year and Mr. Conner from the county will spray every two weeks for the wet part of this spring and taper to once per month during the drier times later in the summer.

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In new business

Mr. James McMenis, candidate for District 7 State Representative spoke to the council, asking for their support and explaining his positions on several issues.

Mayor Newbury reported that the Lift Stations on Short Circle needed two new valves, and the cost will be about \$1500± for the valves, gaskets, and labor to put this lift station back in full service.

Eddie Ross from El Dorado will come out and pick up metal trash for us if we can ensure him at least a truck load. If we are interested, we can call and schedule a pick up day. The council members discussed this situation and noted that several local people will do the same job. Mr. Ross's phone number will be added to the list in the office of persons willing to haul off large appliances.

Financial reports were given for all four accounts. After a brief discussion Troy Clawson made a motion, seconded by Jack Newbury to accept all four financial reports as presented. Roll call votes were unanimous. The motion passed.

Virginia Harris made a motion, seconded by James Holland, to adjourn the meeting. Roll call votes were unanimous. Meeting adjourned.

Mayor

Recorder