

Town of Little Black

May 7, 2017

Present for the May board meeting were Dan Hoffman, Bryan Jochimsen, Chad Smith, JoAnn Smith, and Marian Nernberger.

Dan called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. JoAnn Smith read the minutes from the April meeting, with Bryan making a motion to accept the minutes as written with a change of ordinance 40.03 to read High Capacity Wells, Licensing & Regulation. Dan seconded. Motion carried.

Bills: The bills were reviewed and discussed, and with that Bryan made a motion to accept and pay all bills as presented with one still out from Dura-Weld. Chad seconded. Motion carried.

Sealed Bids: All sealed bids were opened, reviewed and discussed. Motion made by Dan to accept the low bid for three-quarter inch gravel from Melvin companies with a bid of \$6.14 per ton. Chad seconded. Motion carried. Bryan made a motion to accept the low bid for state great granite three-quarter inch from Paul Bugar trucking with a bid of \$8.61 per ton. Chad seconded. Motion carried. The seal coat bids were postponed until next month and board will give the bidders more clarification.

Road report: Dave and Dan reported that they had taken the John Deere grader to Dura-Weld to install a boot on the right and extension on the left of the blade, which will make the blade about 17 feet. They feel by going slower and with the extension things should go much better. Dave has been doing patching on the edges of Gibson and will be grading steady to get the roads in shape.

Web design: Marian questioned whether there was a firm contract and what all cost would be for the webs site, as Dan had signed for Bohn to start the process of designing a website. Along with a \$550 deposit that was to be paid this month. Marian wanted to see the contract stating exact costs of what the town is signing on to. Chad agreed with Marian that everything should be put in writing before signing.

Pool: Bryan was not satisfied with the paperwork that the city had provided to pay the \$100 so it was postponed until the next meeting. The question was what will a resident have to pay if we don't pay the hundred dollars. A short time later Chuck Zenner had the answer to the question. Each resident would be charged \$25 more for a pass. With the answer the pool subject was reopened and Chad made a motion to pay the hundred dollars to the city. Dan seconded. Motion carried.

Brushing: Dan called J & J brushing for a price quote for the summer mowing. They agreed to mow mid-summer once around the Township and twice around corners. Then

again in fall twice around the Township for a quoted price of \$7000. Chad made a motion to accept their quote. Bryan seconded. Motion carried.

Pine Creek: The DNR has now determined that Pine Creek is a non-navigable stream, which has been on the maps as a stream going way back. Crista reported that if she were to pursue the determination it could cost between \$30-\$50,000. Following discussion how to proceed Dan made a motion for the Town to proceed with information from the surrounding residents and pictures that will determine how the stream formation has gotten close up with no stream bank visible. Bryan seconded. Motion carried.

Cemetery: Darrell Damm asked if the town had let out bids for straightening stones and cleaning up the Cemetery. At this time the town has not received any bids. Darrell stated that he would put in a bid for the job.

Bartender/cigarette/operator license: Bryan made a motion to approve applications for licenses from the A and E Tavern, and the Thirsty Moose. Chad seconded. Motion carried. Bryan made a motion to approve the application from the Veranda, after the clerk receives notification that he has done fire inspection. Dan seconded. Motion carried. Bryan made a motion to give the clerk approval rights for Phil & Eleanor's when she receives the application. Chad seconded. Motion carried.

Town pickup truck: Jack's auto has on Chevy half ton pickup that could replace the town's old worn out truck. They will replace the bumper with a new one along with fixing up a hitch for the selling price of \$3000. Bryan made a motion to purchase the truck. Chad seconded. Motion carried.

Centennial Community Center: Marian reported bean bags have been going good along with the polka dances and buffets. Updating the electrical is a priority at this time. She was also happy to report that she is seeing many of the Little Black residents at the events.

Large dairy: Taylor County is updating their comprehensive plan and the board appointed Steve and Neil to attend the hearing on Thursday.

Alley: Ken and Marian have approached the board about vacating the alley located behind them and three other residents. Marian gave the clerk the paperwork that she has started.

Roads/implements of husbandry: Any and all rules for implements of husbandry on town roads must be put in place before November for next year.

Chuck Zenner: Chuck reported that the county has now taken over Chelsea Dam, but don't know if it's a good thing or not. He also reported noise nuisance in his neighborhood. The board advised him to simply call law enforcement.

Treasurer Report: Marian reported a starting balance of \$171,605.94. Income for the month was \$36,767.38. Expenses for the month was \$15,036.58. Leaving us a balance of \$193,236.74. Chad made a motion to accept the treasures report. Bryan seconded. Motion carried.

Next board meeting June 4, 2017 at 7 PM.

Bryan made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:47 PM. Chad seconded. Motion carried.

JoAnn Smith, Sec.