

Dillsboro Town Council

July 24, 2023

The regular monthly meeting of the Dillsboro Town Council was opened by President, Doug Baker, with the pledge to the flag on July 24, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.

Prayer was given by Mike Hill.

Council members present: Doug Baker, Becky Fryman, Tim Benning, Charlie Caldwell and Jamie Craig.
Attorney present: John Watson.

The minutes of the regular meeting on July 10, 2023 were approved by CM Benning. Seconded by CM Caldwell. Motion carried.

Clerk-Treasurer – Rita Stevens – nothing to report. Fund & Appropriation reports were given to council.

Fire Department – nothing

Police Department – nothing

Utility Department – Matt Bauer

- Heating & Air Conditioning in the Utility Maintenance Shop. Quotes from Showcase of \$6,900.00 and Stutler's of \$5,950.00. Bauer contacted 2 other businesses but no response. CM Fryman made a motion for Stutler's. Seconded by CM Craig. Motion carried. TM Turner & CT Stevens will decide which fund to pay it out of.
- Clarifier – work is finished.
- Eric Graver passed all 4 tests that is required for the sewer plant.
- Best Way is increasing per ton of the dumpsters at the sewer plant for the sewer sludge. Bauer stated he figured \$780.00 per bag of sludge. 6 bags per year. Bauer did state Rumpke does not provide this service to Dillsboro.
- Pump Station #2 needs a pump replacement. Fixing it the quote is \$8,201.64. New replacement is \$7,971.00. CM Benning made a motion to purchase a new pump. Seconded by CM Caldwell. Motion carried. This to be paid from sewer.
- New mower replacement. Zimmer's has a Kubota Z-D 1211 mower for \$16,982.00. Bauer stated having problems with 2 mowers. CM Fryman made a motion to purchase this mower. Seconded by CM Benning. Motion carried. Mower will be paid from Riverboat.

Beautification – Charlie Caldwell

Caldwell stated needs more flower pots for 2024. Asking businesses to sponsor a flower pot and pay for it. Looking at using a whiskey barrel. Bauer stated he would recommend spraying the inside of it. Caldwell stated J & J Liquor has one and they have a cut down metal garbage can inside of it. Will possible do something like that. Council has no problems with Caldwell's suggestions and stated the flowers pots looks great around town.

Parks – Kevin Turner

- Park Board voted to have restrooms at the baseball fields closed due to vandalism unless a event is going on. Will be closed August 1, 2023.

- o Park Board voted to purchase rubberized mulch from St. Johns School that was left over from their playground project for \$2,700.00. Then Dillsboro School is donating their mulch from a leftover project. Park Board voted to purchase up to \$9,200.00 for the rest of the mulch that is needed.

Legal – John Watson

Dearborn County Regional Sewer District Board, Town of Dillsboro (Matt Bauer & Kevin Turner), Lori Young and Attorney Watson held a meeting on July 18 regarding the Lake Dilldear Sewer Project. Watson stated need to contact Bob Reynolds, LWG, and get a base rate and go from there. CM Benning made a motion to pay Reynolds up to \$5,000.00 for his financial services and be paid from sewer. Seconded by CM Craig. Motion carried. Watson also suggested to have a Executive Meeting on August 14th at 5:30 p.m. prior to the regular council meeting to discuss the Lake Dilldear Sewer Project. TM Turner will contact Reynolds. CT Stevens stated maybe TM Turner and CM Benning could set up a meeting at the AIM Summit with Reynolds if needed.

Old Business

CM Baker asked if anything going on with the Art Center regarding the lawsuit. Watson stated nothing new.

New Business

CM Baker stated for council to think about meeting once a month starting in 2024.

CM Baker also stated he has Sunflowers at his house. Thinking about if people wants to use them as a background in a picture they could make a donation to the Dillsboro Playground Fund. CM Baker asked CT Stevens if people could drop the check at the Utility Office. CT Stevens has no problem with this.

Being no further business. CM Fryman made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:34 p.m. Seconded by CM Benning. Motion carried.



Rita Stevens

Clerk-Treasurer



