Regular Meeting

February 13, 2018

The Eaton Town Council met in regular session. Present are Blankenship, Welsh, DeWees, Reese and Hicks.

President Blankenship called the meeting to order.

Welsh moved to approve the minutes of the January 9th, 18th and February 9, 2018 meetings. Reese seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Hunt presented the Council with the completed NPDES paperwork. Welsh made a motion to sign and submit. Reese seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Fire Chief Newby and Assistant Chief Greene presented the Council with a quote from Schwer Electric for new LED lights at the station. Discussion followed. Hicks made a motion to table to allow DeWees to talk to the Trustee. Welsh seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Chief Newby said that the State Fire Marshall signed off on Eaton Mart.

Police Chief Snodgrass said for the 800 mhz radio would cost \$250.00 each. Welsh made a motion to purchase four (4) for the Town Employees. Reese seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Chief Snodgrass also discussed further the opioid/pharmaceutical lawsuit.

Chief Snodgrass asked the Council if they had decided on the open police officers position? Welsh made a motion to hire Andrew Storie. Blankenship seconded the motion. Hicks abstained. 4 yes Motion carried.

Hicks asked about the police report for the Town sign that was stolen out front. Chief Snodgrass said it is done.

Bridgett DeWees presented the Council with pictures of different shapes of informational signs. Hicks made a motion to approve the Mulberry sign. Welsh seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Jodi Barker from Greene Diamond wants the sewage rate to be lowered. She also wants to know who inspected the septic tank. It should have been inspected and filled in. Mrs. Barker stated that Mr. Higgins from LWR said that her sewage consumption rate was wrong. Hicks said that Mr. Higgins needs to send in writing that the rate is wrong. Discussion followed. Bridgett DeWees is to contact Higgins to get something in writing.

Rachel from CommonWealth Inc. updated the Council on the Sewage Project. We are currently waiting on the RR permit and some easements.

Blankenship brought up the pay for the new officer. Hicks made a motion to start at \$32,00.00 until he passes the academy then it will go to \$33,000.00. Welsh seconded the motion. Motion carried. Hicks made a motion to move Officer Liggett up to First Deputy pay (Roberts). Welsh seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Greene's Construction presented the Council with a bid for flooring for the Community Center and the Town Offices for \$34,228.00. He also presented the Council with a bid for drywall and ceilings for the Town Offices for \$6,165.15. He also submitted a bid for insulation in the Town building for \$3,590.00.

Hicks pointed out that the Town can't do a down payment. Discussion followed. Welsh made a motion to approve all three bids. Hicks seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Welsh approved building permits for Arron Gilley at 105 E Bosman Ave and Troy and Angie Withers at 601 E South Street. Reese seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Hicks made a motion to move the regular meeting to the third Tuesday. Welsh seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Rhonda Caldwell asked for an adjustment on her bill. She had a leak for two months and didn't know until she got her bill. Hicks made a motion to give her two adjustments. Reese seconded the motion. Motion carried. Reese made a motion that the office attempt to contact residents that have a high usage. Welsh seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Rick Cooper has a leak he needs an adjustment and would like to get an extension on paying his bill. Hicks made a motion to allow him to pay the past due by 2/23/18. Welsh seconded the motion. Motion carried. He is to fill out an adjustment form in the office.

Welsh made a motion to sign the claim docket. Reese seconded the motion. Motion carried.

President Blankenship made the following appointments.

Reese over Fire Hicks over Street Welsh over Police Blankenship over Water DeWees over Sewage

There being no further business brought before the Council at this time, Reese made a motion to adjourn. Welsh seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Daniel Blankenship. Council President

Vicki Hargis, Clerk-Treasurer