

December 29, 2020
YEAR END MEETING

The Eaton Town Council met in a regular meeting. Present are Daniel Blankenship, Roger Wells, Dustin Reese and Clay McDaniel. Teresa Welsh came in late.

President Daniel Blankenship called the meeting to order.

R. Wells made a motion to approve the minutes for December 8, 2020 regular meeting. C. McDaniel seconded the motion. Vote was 4/0. Motion carried.

Teresa Welsh arrived.

Police Chief Turner has three applications for the Police Reserves. They are Ron Regland, Daniel Waters and Justin McCain. Discussion followed. D. Blankenship made a motion to accept the applications for the Police Reserves. C. McDaniel seconded the motion. Motion carried. Vote was 5/0.

Police Chief Turner stated that Assistant Chief Liggett has been working on and has been approved for a scanner and printer for a laptop. The grant comes to just under \$2,000.00. Discussion followed.

Police Chief Turner presented the Council with the new Police ID's. He presented the Council with an invoice from Police and Sheriff's Press for \$339.15. D. Blankenship made a motion to approve the invoice from Police and Sheriff's Press for \$339.15. R. Wells seconded the motion. Motion carried. Vote was 5/0.

Police Chief Turner asked when the Police Department would be able to start moving into the old Town Office. Clerk needs help moving the rest of their stuff. Discussion followed.

Council was presented with a quote from Cook's Complete Cleaning Service for the new office. Quote is for a one-time cleaning and stripping and waxing the lobby floor and scrubbing the back floor for \$360.00. R. Wells made a motion to approve the invoice from Cook's Complete Cleaning service for \$360.00. C. McDaniel seconded the motion. Motion carried. Vote was 5/0.

Clerk presented the Council with a quote from Weber Office Supplies for a new printer hers is four years old and has been discontinued. It will cost \$515.00 to fix it. They have a new one for \$649.00 and toner will be \$95.00. R. Wells made a motion to approve invoice for a new printer and toner from Weber Office Supplies for \$748.00. C. McDaniel seconded the motion. Motion carried. Vote was 5/0.

Joe Ratliff Water Dept. Trainee is making a list for Commonwealth pertaining to potholes and paving issues from the Sewage Project. Discussion followed.

J. Ratliff talked to the Council about the leak at D1. Discussion followed.

J. Ratliff stated that Titan Electric said they are about two weeks out from getting to the plant to look at the electrical problems. Schwer Electric said they would come out but hasn't made it yet. He talked to Ricky Davis the Electrician for Westrock about the problem. Mr. Davis said he could come in and look at it. Discussion followed. Council wants J. Ratliff to try Schwer Electric again.

North Street is on the punch list for the Sewage/Stormwater Project and the totals have been fixed. Discussion followed. D. Reese made a motion to reject the bids the Town received to fix it and what for punch list completion. T. Welsh seconded the motion. Motion carried. Vote was 5/0.

T. Welsh asked where we are at on a vehicle for Street Department. T. Hunt was supposed to get quotes for a vehicle. Discussion followed.

J. Ratliff stated that he got quotes for a skid steer and a front loader to Wayne Bailey with Commonwealth. They are to go along with the mini excavator grant he is working on thru USDA.

D. Blankenship appointed R. Wells to the ECI Regional Planning District.

D. Blankenship brought up adding more streetlights to Sheidler area. Discussion followed. D. Newby is to work on this.

Council discussed rumors about suppling water and sewage utilities to the Sheidler area. The Town currently has no plans to change anything.

J. Ratliff discussed installing the water meter on the well at 815 E. Race Street. Discussion followed.

Police Chief Turner presented the Council with a design for the new uniform patches.

Council discussed appointments for Council President and Vice-President. T. Welsh made a motion for Daniel Blankenship to be Council President. C. McDaniel seconded the motion. Motion carried. Vote was 4/0. D. Blankenship made a motion for Roger Wells to be Vice-President. C. McDaniel seconded the motion. Motion carried. Vote was 4/0.

D. Reese brought up Fire Truck #22 it is currently not running and has been listed for sale now for at least two years. He would like to donate it to the Muncie Area Career Center if they will take it. Discussion followed. D. Reese made a motion to donate it to the Muncie Area Center pending they want it. Discussion followed. C. McDaniel seconded the motion. R. Wells believes that it could be scrapped probably for \$2,200.00. Discussion followed. Motion died. Vote was 2/3. Fire department is to look into cost of scrapping it.

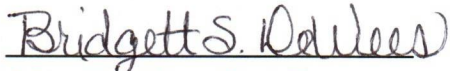
T. Welsh made a motion to sign claim docket. D. Reese seconded the motion. Motion carried. Vote was 5/0.

There being no further business to be brought before the Council at this time D. Reese made a motion to adjourn. T. Welsh seconded the motion. Vote was 5/0. Motion carried.

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Daniel Blankenship, Council President

Attest:

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Bridgett S. DeWees", written over a horizontal line.

Bridgett DeWees, Clerk-Treasurer