

# **Town of Roann**

## **Meeting Minutes**

14 October 2014

### **I. Call to order**

**Susan Floor** called to order the regular meeting of the **Town of Roann** at **7:00 p.m.** on the **14th day of October** in **Roann Town Hall**.

### **II. Roll call**

The following persons were present: Susan Floor, James Pell, Robert "M" Ferguson Jr., Richard Morris, Kristina Lynn, and five citizens.

### **III. Approval of minutes from last meeting**

The Town Council read the minutes from the last meeting. The word "fugal" was changed to "frugal" and the minutes were approved as corrected.

Open issues

- a) Robert "M" Ferguson Jr. presented the Town Council with the Budget for 2015. The Town Council adopted the Budget with their vote as follows: James Pell made a motion to adopt the 2015 Budget and Richard Morris seconded the motion a roll call was made and Susan Floor "Aye", James Pell "Aye" and Richard Morris "Aye".
- b) Kristina Lynn spoke to Josh Petruniw about the Old School, they realize the County Attorneys have to go through the due process and divest the owners. They also have to have a public hearing and give the owners notice. The county went on with the study inside the building because the opportunity arose, but had not taken any further action.
- c) Susan Floor spoke about the Animal Ordinance and the possibly of putting up signs with bags attached. Susan Floor said there were some that were wall mounts that were about \$70.00 each that say "Please Clean-Up after Your Dog" and post mounts can cost up to \$300.00. Bags run about \$40.00 for 600 bags. Susan Floor thought we should keep thinking about the subject through the winter months and revisit it in February.
- d) Robert "M" Ferguson Jr. reported that the water softener had been installed in the Town Hall building. He asked ECOWATER if the town paid a year in advance if they could get a discount. ECOWATER gave the town a 10% discount for their service and Robert "M" Ferguson Jr. sent them a check for \$372.20, which paid for installation, salt and 2015 service agreement. Susan Floor thanked Mr. Ferguson for asking about the discount and saving the town money.
- e) Robert "M" Ferguson Jr. went to the auction at LaFountain Elementary and was able to pick up 7 file cabinets and 40 chairs for Town Hall. Mr. Ferguson

was under the budget that the Town Council had given him in the prior month, he had spent \$457.00.

- f) Robert "M" Ferguson Jr. presented the Special Ordinance No. 1 2015 Salaries, for the second reading. Richard Morris made a motion to approve the Special Ordinance No. 1 2015 and James Pell seconded the motion the Roann Town Council vote in favor 3-0.
- g) Bruce Shaw is still working on the package explaining the duties of the Assistant Superintendent. Susan Floor asked Bruce Shaw if he could have that ready for the November meeting and he said he would finish it and email it to each one of the members of the Town Council.

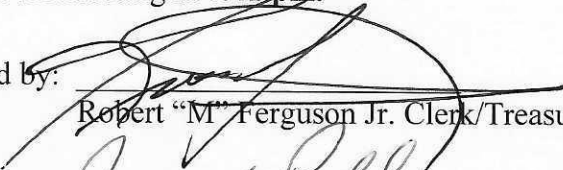
### **New Business**

- a) Bruce Shaw talked to the Town Council about having a Temperature Reader in the north well house. For the price of \$640.00, Houston Electric can hook up the reader and have it attached to the south wells so that it would call Bruce Shaw phone if the heaters stop working. Richard Morris made a motion to have the remote sensor installed; James Pell seconded the motion and the Roann Town Council vote in favor 3-0.
- b) Robert "M" Ferguson Jr. gave all of the elected officials their Annual Certification of Elected Official to the Executive of the Town of Roann on Compliance with Municipal Nepotism Policy involving Direct Line Supervision and Certification of Elected Official to the Executive of the Town of Roann in Compliance With Municipal Contracting Policy. These were to be signed and turned over to the Town of Roann Board President. Susan Floor Council President then gave them to Robert "M" Ferguson Jr. to put in each officials service jacket. Each one of the Certificates are required by the State Board of Accounts and to be filed each year.
- c) Bruce Shaw talked to the Council about the Wabash Counties GIS system. The handheld device that works with the system will cost between eight and nine thousand dollars. The County Council is also thinking about charging a monthly service charge. Bruce Shaw said that Lagro was interested in going in on the handheld together.
- d) Carol Long asked if the Town could close down Chippewa between Allen and Walnut the night of Halloween between 5:30pm and 7:30pm for the Fall Festival. The Town Council gave them permission and Bruce Shaw thought it would be a good idea to inform the Fire Chief. Carol Long will take care of informing the Fire Chief.
- e) Halloween hours were designated to be on October 31<sup>st</sup> 2014 between 5:30 pm and 7:30 pm. Robert "M" Ferguson Jr. will let the Wabash Plain Dealer know about the hours.


**IV. Adjournment**

Susan Floor adjourned the meeting at **7:41 pm.**

Minutes respectfully submitted by:

  
Robert "M" Ferguson Jr. Clerk/Treasurer

Minutes approved by:

  
*FOR* Susan Floor, Council Member