

Town of Farmington  
Regular Council Meeting  
October 17th, 2022

**ROLL CALL:**

Mayor Brian Oliver

Council members: Lavon Walser, Diana Oliver, Blanche Rhea, Haleigh Varney

**GUESTS:**

Joni Denton, Joan Smith, Lonnie Erickson

**OPEN REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING:**

Meeting Started at 6:02PM.

**APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA:**

Approval of the September 19th, 2022, Regular Town Council Meeting Minutes.

Approval of the September 20th, through October 17th, 2022, check register.

Approval of the September 2022 Treasurer's Report.

Diana Oliver **MOVED** to approve the consent agenda for the September 19th, 2022, council meeting. Lavon Walser **seconded the motion, and the motion was carried unanimously.**

**OLD BUSINESS:**

To start things off Mayor Brian Oliver brought up the tractor tire and how it has been repaired. However, it is flat again and needs to be serviced. The John Deere Mower is officially broken. Mayor Oliver does not want to keep throwing money at it. The town will need to replace the mower before next spring. A new mower is anything from \$8k - \$12k. Mayor has done a lot of research to make sure that is going to be able to handle the job. Mayor Oliver will gladly get all quotes for the town. There are some options, but the town will need a new one. Blanche Rhea, does the new lawn mower come out of the street funds? Mayor said No, the repair comes out of the equipment fund. TXMyGov System can be used with lift stations. Gavin Thinks a siren on

the lift station would be the best choice, followed by a texting system that the town can use to send out a message if needed. Gavin will get the annual cost and let the council know at the next meeting.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Budget Review for council. Mayor Oliver told the council the importance of being at the next town meeting, to review the budget and bring back any questions or concerns they have to the next council meeting.

### **CITIZEN'S COMMENTS**

Lonnie Erickson was looking for barn wood and was looking to see why Gavin was not in the office Oct 11th - 14th. Gavin Responded that he has been in and out of training, but it is not Town Hall's responsibility to answer questions like that. Lonnie asked why the calls were not returned and if a message could be left on the town's answering machine stating the clerk being out of the office and when he would return. Lonnie also asked for messages to be checked more frequently in case it was of importance. Clark responded that he would not change the answering machine every time he had to leave the building but, would leave a notice on the announcement board and/or door stating the pertinent information and that he would check messages more regularly. A small argument ensued till Mayor Oliver ended the conversation.

### **Council COMMENTS**

Blanche Rhea storm drain on Washington and 3rd seems to be really overgrown with weeds. Can we get it cleaned up, so we don't have any flooding issues in town? Mayor Oliver said we can get the weeds knocked down. 303 Chestnut has an RV that he might have someone living in. Blanche Rhea asked about animal ordinances and asked if goats were allowed in town. Blanche Rhea also said that she is more than willing to check messages in town hall on days that Gavin is at training/ not in the office. Reminder when sending out the utility bills that insulation needs to be put into meter boxes.

### **MAYOR COMMENTS**

Mayor Oliver said Creek is overflowing and beavers are running about. Bill Foryte has been out and captured 4 adolescent beavers so far. Bill believes that he is dealing with an older couple, so he is leaving his traps out till he catches them all. Mayor and Chad will be cleaning up the leftover beaver homes. Pancake feed is November 16th 5am-7am.

Blanche Rhea MOVED to adjourn the meeting. Haleigh Varney **seconded the motion, and the motion was carried unanimously.** The regular town council meeting closed at 6:55pm.

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Mayor Brian Oliver

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_

Gavin Dewmer Clerk-Treasurer

Town of Farmington – Regular Town Council Meeting

Monday, October 17th, 2022 - Farmington Community Center

6:00 PM – 6:55 PM