

Scipio Town Council
Minutes of Meeting- January 2, 2020

Members present: Mayor: Pam Sheridan- Council Members: Dallen Quarnberg, Bryce Monroe, Jim Winget, and Casey Hatch

1. Welcoming Comments: Pam welcomed new board members.

2. Minutes of prior Meeting: Read out loud by Casey. Jim made motion to accept, 2nd by Dallen-all in favor.

3. Invoices & Receipts: No financial reporting due to the meeting being held early in the month.

-Receipts for meal reimbursements are not needed. Using the per diem rate is easier. Receipts are required for Hotels. Mileage should be totaled up.

-Linda will make copies of reimbursement forms. The form should be filled out and signed then given to the Mayor who will then give to Linda.

-The per diem rates have been raised to match the state amount. Going forward the state per diem rates will be reviewed at the end of each year and the town will match them.

4. Water Department: (Dallen)

-A nitrate test was required by the water division. The first sample that was sent in failed, a second sample was taken which also failed. A letter was sent from the Division indicating that the well cannot be operated until we got approval from the division or until a sample has passed. However, the samples were taken at the well site and should have been taken at the chlorinating house and therefore may not have been accurate. The well will not be turned on in the winter and another sample will be taken in the spring.

-Dallen and Pam met with Ensign Engineering to discuss the new well project. We have grant money for the new proposed well project and the loan is in the process of being finalized for the towns portion of the funds needed.

-Hydrants were flow tested and all passed so the recommended 8 inch line for 200 E is not needed, so it was decided that the 6 inch line does not need to be replaced. This will lower the cost of the project probably a couple hundred thousand dollars.

-The original funding package included replacing the meters with electronic meters which was also decided to not be included.

-Per town pipeline map there is one area within the town limits that is not redundant. This is the stretch on 200 E that goes from about 500 N out to Royce's feed lot. It was determined that a line should be included in the funding package so a continuous loop would be obtained for every place in town. Ensign will get costs and include this in the funding package.

- Three possible well sites have been identified by Ensign:

1- Just below the water system

2- Between Brad Thompson and Beulah Quarnberg's property.

3- On Ivan's gravel pit property-This is the prime location per engineers.

- Applications will be submitted for two locations, the one between Brad Thompson and Beula Quarnberg's and the one located on Ivans property. A test hole will be drilled at Ivans and if water is found this will be developed into a production well. Easements would then need to be obtained to cross properties to connect into the water line.

-Single phase power is available near Ivans which will work however three phase power would be more efficient.

-Well depth is estimated to be approximately 750ft.

-A master meter is also required to be installed below the tanks at an estimated cost of \$10-15000. This will be included in the funding proposal.

5: Streets: (Bryce)

-Christmas lights have been taken down.

-Christmas ornaments have been removed from the tree and are in a tote in the community center.

6:Other

- Water is going inside the plug box on the back of the museum and needs to be repaired.

-New heat tapes need to put on the Museum roof.

-Parks and cemetery job application needs to be created and will include a detailed job description.

-Public and open meetings per state requirements was reviewed.

-Post office location was discussed- Pam wrote a letter to the post office indicating that we want to keep a post office in town. She then received a call from the district manager and the inspector who indicated that the proposed locations were fine. Bidding process had been delayed however is to be expedited. There may be some disruptions in service while changes are made.

Adjourn: Bryce made motion to adjourn, 2nd by Casey Hatch. Time was 7:50 PM. All in favor