

# Scipio Town Council

## Minutes of meeting

January 20<sup>th</sup>, 2022- 7pm

**Members present:** Mayor: Tom Memmott- Council Members: Jim Winget, Richard Probert, Casey Hatch, (Bryce Monroe -Absent)

Treasurer- Linda Stephenson., Clerk- Rebecca Bond.

- 1. Minutes of December Meeting:** These were read aloud by Rebecca. Casey made a motion to accept the minutes, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jim. All in favor. Also went over conflict-of-interest policies. Anyone on council with a conflict of interest on the agenda needs to state it prior to meeting.
- 2. Invoices and Receipts for December:** Linda went over these. Council had a copy to look at. Jim made a motion to accept, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Casey. All in favor. She also went over the agreed upon procedures- gave everyone on council a copy. Council also got a copy of the towns 2022 fee schedule to look at. If anything needs to be addressed or changed, we will do it at the next meeting.
- 3. Goals for Year:** Each council member was supposed to bring some goals for their dept with them tonight. Mayor Memmott commented that he would like some welcome information available for visitor's and people moving into town. He would also like everyone to take pride and ownership where they live and be proactive. He would like them to work together as a council and help others out in all the different areas. He would like to see a welcome sign on both ends of town and he would like to call a committee to vote on Christmas lights in December.
- 4. Water Department:** Richard commented he wants to make water equitable to everyone. He would like to keep a rural attitude to what goes on in city limits.
- 5. Well Project Update:** The electrical contractor has wired the building. They are still waiting on one box- hopefully within the next 2-3 weeks it will come. Andrew Robinson with Full spectrum will start working on the SCATA system. There is \$150,000 left over from this project. They were going to put a new line on 200 E. in the original plans. Now there is extra money we may revisit the idea. It would close the loop and eliminate stagnation in lines and help fire flow. It will cost approx. \$192,000 but the DDW has ARPPA money for new infrastructure with 100% grant. If there are any other potential water projects you want now may be a good time to look into it because of the good funding package available.

6. **Fire department:** District approved \$20,000- building maintenance for fire house. Casey reported at their meeting they discussed training opportunities and the need for more fire prevention activities. He would like the fire dept to get familiar with businesses and town buildings to know where the shuts off are, etc., in case of an emergency.
7. **Streets/Fitness Center:** Bryce was out of town but reported to Tom the crack seal project has been completed. Also, anyone 60+ can use the building from 10:30 -2pm for free or any time before or after those hours they can pay for a key @\$4.00 a month.
8. **Parks:** Jim reported they are finishing the fence around cemetery to keep the animals out. For his goals this year he would like to know if there is an interest in putting soccer nets on the grass area by the fire house. Also, if there is interest in using the baseball field and fixing it up, he would look into grants, etc. He would like towns people ideas and would like a veteran's memorial in town.
9. **Maintenance Job:** Not ready to discuss this yet. Still gathering information. This will be tabled until next month.
10. **Events:** Casey mention the next event will be the Easter Egg Hunt. Town needs to get prizes for that. Council needs to decide on a date for the new/old Town council dinner either on February 18<sup>th</sup>, or 22<sup>nd</sup>. Also, for his goals he would like to get new games and ideas for the 24<sup>th</sup> games in the park. Maybe look into organizing an activity committee for this.
11. **Resolution:** Council decided to continue to have the council meetings the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of every month at 7pm –Rebecca will post this in the newspaper.
12. **Open and Public Meeting and Public Hearing review:** Tom went over this review- reading the policy and rules aloud.
13. **Purchasing Policy 2022:** Tom went over the purchasing policy and rules with council. \$250 and under can be made by a councilmember. \$250 + need signature and approval from mayor and \$1,000 needs signature and approval from council.
14. **Public Comment:** Kim Quarnberg asked if there is an actual plan in works for maintenance job. Tom commented they want to find out all the money spent on misc. jobs and get more info together for this. Janice Robins commented on the Pioneer cemetery. She said there has been so much interest in it and a lot of donations. Would like it on the maintenance job list to maintain the weeds and so on.
15. **Adjourn:** Casey made motion to adjourn, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Richard. All in favor. Time was 8:35 pm.

