

**Town of Felton
Town Council Meeting
December 12, 2022
6:30 pm**

Mayor Clendaniel called the Town Council Meeting of Felton to order at 6:30 pm on Monday, December 12, 2022. Present at the meeting were:

Council Members: Mayor Joanne Clendaniel, Vice Mayor David Kelley, Bill Brittingham, Anthony Carroll and Diana Dolan-Beulah (via phone).

Staff: Chief Guild, Town Manager, Amy Thomas, Town Clerk, Tracey Thompson and Public Works Superintendent, Josh Smith.

Public: Sandra and William Wood.

Citizen's Concerns:

Tracey mentioned that the Historical Society of Felton is looking for a new President. If they can't find someone to take over they will have to close.

Police Report:

Chief Guild presented the November 2022 police report. The white Durango is still at the radio shop; they are understaffed due to COVID. There were no questions or concerns.

Motion: Vice Mayor Kelley made a motion to accept the November 2022 Police Report. Councilmember Carroll seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Felton Fire Company Report:

Mr. Brittingham presented the November 2022 fire company report.

Budget Report:

Amy presented the November 2022 Budget report. There was discussion on chemical prices for the water filtration system. There were no questions or concerns.

Motion: Vice Mayor Kelley made a motion to accept the November 2022 Budget Report. Councilmember Dolan-Beulah seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Public Works Report:

Josh presented the November 2022 Public Works Report. There were no questions or concerns.

Minutes:

Mayor Clendaniel presented the November 14, 2022 Council Meeting Minutes.

Motion: Vice Mayor Kelley made a motion to accept the November 14, 2022 Council Meeting Minutes. Councilmember Carroll seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

AC Schultes Inspection Report:

There was an inspection completed on Well #3 and #4 by AC Schultes and they recommend replacing the pump for Well #4. Josh went over the report with Council (see attached). Josh does not think that it is necessary to replace the pump at this time.

Motion: Councilmember Brittingham made a motion to decline the suggestions that AC Schultes recommended. Councilmember Carroll seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Avon Club of Felton Request for Bench on Town Property- Sandra Wood:

Sandra stated the Avon Group of Felton was founded in 1896. Last year they celebrated their 125th Anniversary. The group was known for raising money for scholarships for students. Sandra stated she has been the president of the group for the last four years. The Club is coming to a close since they do not have enough members to keep it going. Sandra is asking the Town to allow the Avon Club to put an engraved bench as dedicatory. We would like to put it at the Odd Fellows Park or at the Historical Society. It was decided that she could place the bench at which ever spot worked for her.

Motion: Councilmember Brittingham made a motion to allow the Avon Group to place an engraved bench on either locations that were discussed as they seem fit. Vice Mayor Kelley seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

First Reading – An Ordinance to Repeal Article IV, Title 32 of the Felton Town Code and Adopt a new Article IV, Title 32 Entitled “An Ordinance Regulating Noise in the Town of Felton and Providing Penalties for Violations Thereof”:

Amy stated that this is the first reading of updating the Ordinance. Council reviewed the ordinance, next month will be the public hearing and then we will approve the second reading for the ordinance. This updated ordinance is more detailed on noise violations and the decibels to range the noise.

Motion: Vice Mayor Kelley approved the first reading of Article IV, Title 32 Entitled “An Ordinance Regulating Noise in the Town of Felton and Providing Penalties for Violations Thereof”. Councilmember Carroll seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Handicap Parking Spot at Town Hall:

There was discussion about the Handicap parking spot at Town Hall. It was decided to keep the parking spot on Church Street and Josh will repaint the curbing.

Motion: Councilmember Carroll made a motion to keep the handicap spot on Church Street. Vice Mayor Kelley seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Christmas Parade Discussion:

Council and Employees finalized the details for the parade.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:32pm.

Motion: Vice Mayor Kelley made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Carroll seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

These minutes were prepared by Tracey Thompson, Town Clerk.

Tracey Thompson, Town Clerk

Date