

**Town of Felton
Town Council Meeting
August 14, 2023
6:30 pm**

Mayor Clendaniel called the Town Council Meeting of Felton to order at 6:30 pm on Monday, August 14, 2023. Present at the meeting were:

Council Members: Mayor Joanne Clendaniel, Vice-Mayor Dave Kelley, Anthony Carroll, Diana Dolan-Beulah, and Bill Brittingham.

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

Public: Resident Patty Eccles, and Mary Voshell from the Lake Forest Community Education foundation.

Public Comments:

There were no questions or concerns.

Police Report:

Chief Guild presented the July 2023 police report. He informed Council that Corporal Simms completed his FBI LEEDA training. The police department responded to 251 calls for service in the month of July. There were no questions or concerns.

Motion: Vice-Mayor Kelley made a motion to accept the July 2023 Police Report. Councilmember Carroll seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Public Works Report:

Josh presented the July 2023 Public Works Report. There were no questions or concerns.

Budget Report:

Amy presented the July 2023 Budget Report. There were no questions or concerns.

Motion: Councilmember Carroll made a motion to accept the July 2023 Budget Report. Vice-Mayor Kelley seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Approval of Minutes:

Mayor Clendaniel presented the July 10, 2023 Public Hearing Meeting Minutes, July 10, 2023 Town Council Meeting Minutes, and the August 9, 2023 Planning and Zoning Meeting Minutes. There was some discussion on the comments left from the planning and zoning committee on the Solar Farm.

Council agrees with Planning and Zoning to permit the Solar Farm to have the 7ft fence but does not recommend a vinyl fence due to safety issues.

Motion: Councilmember Dolan-Beulah made a motion to accept the July 10, 2023 Public Hearing Meeting Minutes, July 10, 2023 Town Council Meeting Minutes, and approved the August 9, 2023 Planning and Zoning Meeting Minutes. Councilmember Carroll seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

2023 Gobble Wobble- Mary Voshell:

Mary asked Council to have the 7th Annual 5K Gobble Wobble Race in the town limits again. This year's event will be on Sunday, November 19th. She also asked the town to sponsor the event with a donation.

Motion: Vice-Mayor Kelley made a motion to approve the Gobble Wobble Race and donate five hundred dollars to the Lake Forest Community Education Foundation. Councilmember Dolan-Beulah seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Kent Conservation Project- Josh Smith:

Josh explained that Kent Conservation has received some funding and they are taking on a project in the Hidden Pond development to help with ditch drainage at no cost to the town. Kent Conservation and the Town of Felton have received a lot of complaints in the past years about the ditch line that goes through the development. Josh presented council with pictures of trees grown up in the ditch line that is preventing the water from moving out of the development (see attached). They will start at N. Erin Ave and head out towards Peach Basket Road. There was more discussion on ditches and the towns property on Peach Basket Rd.

Motion: Councilmember Carroll made a motion to accept the Kent Conservation Project. Councilmember Dolan-Beulah seconded the motion. Roll Call: Mayor Clendaniel-yes, Vice Mayor Kelley- yes, Councilmember Carroll- yes, Councilmember Dolan-Beulah- yes, and Councilmember Brittingham- yes.

2018 Comprehensive Plan – 5 Year Review:

Amy explained to Council that every five years it is required for the Town to review the adopted Comprehensive plan to determine if its provisions are still relevant given changing conditions. Council reviewed the plan and it was decided to keep the 2018 Comprehensive Plan as is and not pursue any amendments.

End of Summer Bash:

Tracey informed council on who will be joining our event. Discussion on volunteers and their stations. There were no questions of concerns.

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

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10pm.

These minutes were prepared by Tracey Thompson, Town Clerk.

Tracey Thompson, Town Clerk

Date