

Town of Fowler Special Meeting Minutes for November 12, 2015 at 6 PM

A Special Meeting for the Town of Fowler was held on the above date with all the Board Members present except for Councilperson Spilman who joined us by telephone. Also present were Town Clerk Kelly Harmer, Deputy Town Clerk Tami Gale, Highway Superintendent Mike Sweeney, Justice Paul Lamson, Bookkeeper Gary Higgins, Vicky Cappellino, Dalton Fayette, Dustin Fayette, Debbie Tupper, and Randy Durham.

Supervisor Cappellino called the meeting to order at 6 PM then proceeded with the opening prayer and the pledge of allegiance.

A motion was made by Councilperson Newvine and seconded by Councilperson Simmons to open the public hearing at 6:02 PM to discuss the 2016 budget. All in Favor. MOTION CARRIED.

Bookkeeper Higgins reported that the tax cap has been filed and that the town did not exceed the tax cap limit for the 2016 budget.

Highway Superintendent Mike Sweeney reported that the new pick-up truck is at Blevin's Ford. It needs to be taken to Beam Mack in Watertown to have the plow installed. It should be done by November 18th. Supervisor Cappellino questioned the price of the truck with plow because the original quote stated \$26,798 and Highway Superintendent Sweeney stated that it was going to be around \$28,000. He stated that there were some extra options that he could get on it so he did. Councilperson Simmons asked if Blevin's was going to take the truck to Beam Mack to get the plow installed or is the town responsible for taking it out. Highway Superintendent Sweeney stated that Blevin's will take the truck out and drop it off. Supervisor Cappellino asked Highway Superintendent Sweeney if putting the plow on the truck would void the warranty. Bookkeeper Higgins and Superintendent Sweeney both stated that it would not void the warranty.

Councilperson Bishop wondered that if the mines were to open back up if they would be reassessed. Bookkeeper Higgins said that it would be up to the assessors to determine that. Debbie Tupper stated that the board should suggest to the assessor's that they should reassess the mines after they open. Supervisor

Cappellino stated that he met with two gentlemen from the mines and they went up to the Historian's office to learn about the Town of Fowler and the zinc mines.

A motion was made by Councilperson Newvine and seconded by Councilperson Bishop to close the public hearing on the 2016 budget at 6:35 PM. All in Favor. MOTION CARRIED.

A motion was made by Councilperson Simmons and seconded by Councilperson Bishop to adopt the 2016 budget. All in Favor. MOTION CARRIED.

The next scheduled meeting will be held on December 1, 2015 at 7 PM.

A motion was made by Councilperson Newvine and seconded by Councilperson Simmons to adjourn the meeting at 6:40 PM. All in Favor. MOTION CARRIED.

Michael Cappellino; Supervisor

Natalie Spilman; Councilperson

Lynn Bishop; Councilperson

Rick Newvine; Councilperson

Karen Simmons; Councilperson

Kelly Harmer; Town Clerk