

The Town Council of Snowville Town held its regular monthly meeting at the Snowville Town Hall on **Wednesday November 14, 2018**

Council Present

Keith Thompson, Council Member
Tammie Morgan, Clerk/Recorder
Tim Heyder, Mayor
Scott O'Hare, Council Member
John Levenduski, Council Member
Stacey Hill, Treasurer

Others Present

Eric Dursteler, Engineer
Dave Ahlstrom, Accountant
Chris Breiland

Excused

Mike Morgan, Council Member

Mayor Heyder called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. He welcomed the council and all others present. Keith Thompson led us in the pledge of allegiance and Scott O'Hare offered the opening prayer.

Next month's volunteer assignments:

Mayor Heyder called for a motion to accept the agenda.

John Levenduski made a motion to accept the agenda. Keith Thompson 2nd. All council members present voted yes.

Scott O'Hare made a motion to accept the minutes from the previous meeting. John Levenduski 2nd. All council members present voted yes.

Deputy Palmer

Mayor Heyder stated Deputy Palmer would not be in attendance tonight. But he informed the council that they have had problems with people getting packages stolen off of porches and he wanted the community members to be aware.

Davis & Bott CPA – Dave Ahlstrom

Dave Ahlstrom reported on the 2017-2018 review that was prepared for the Snowville Town. He indicated he enjoyed working with our town and appreciated the mayor and clerk's time in helping him prepare this review. He indicated that he had spoken with Mayor Heyder and Tammie Morgan, Clerk to get information and receive answers to his questions. Each council member was given a copy of the review and it can be found at the end of the minutes.

USDA Grant/PER

Eric states that the CDBG grant is the way to go to repair the culvert under Stone Rd. Tammie indicated she attended the mandatory meeting to apply for the CDBG grant, so we should be good to apply. Mayor asked if this was the best grant to apply for to use for this project? There might be other projects that we could utilize the full \$200,000 grant for and apply for a different grant for a smaller amount for the storm water problems. This is something we need to look into.

Streets and Roads

Scott O'hare and AJ Morgan were the only two that put in for the snowplow job. Mayor Heyder stated we should wait for Mike to get back and set up a schedule and figure out who will run the plow and when.

Tammie stated we have \$10,371.05 left to spend on our FEMA repairs. The county will come out next week and make the repairs on the roads. Tammie also let the council know that we had to send an extension letter in to spend the funds by 06/30/2019.

Park - Thanks

Mayor Heyder thanked Keith Thompson for taking the netting down at the bowery.

Dog Catcher/ Neighborhood Watch

Mayor Heyder stated we need to get the neighborhood watch back up and going and also the dog catcher. Mayor stated he has had a couple of people contact him about stray dogs and he has seen a few dogs running around. We need to be utilizing the dog catcher.

Scott O'hare stated he saw someone that didn't look like she belonged walking down Stone Road. He was concerned but he didn't stop because he was in his work vehicle.

Fire Chief Position

Mayor Heyder indicated that we have been giving everyone else a little raise and we are in need of Willie staying to be the chief. He proposed we raise his pay to \$150.00 per month. He stated he thought that the chief needs to have set responsibilities such as starting the trucks each week, making sure the fire sheds are clean and in order, making sure all fire paper work is completed for each run and turned in in a timely manner, and do the report that needs to be done monthly for the state. Mayor Heyder said he will sit down with Tammie and come up with those responsibilities.

Keith Thompson made a motion to raise the fire chief salary to \$150 per month. John Levenduski 2nd. All council members present voted yes.

Old and Other New Business

Citizen Concerns

Tim stated he went to a mosquito abatement meeting Monday and Tuesday last week. He said he learned a lot and was able to see exactly what the county is doing to help our community and county.

Youth Council

The youth council is doing a turkey trot. They are charging \$5.00 per entry. They are doing this as a fundraiser. The mayor asked the council to try to attend if they could.

Tammie indicated we need to make sure that they turn the money into the town so we can account for it in their account.

Mayor also stated they want to do a service project and put up the Christmas lights around the town hall. They are wanting to do a Christmas party on the 8th at 7:00 pm with hot chocolate. They are asking for canned food donations. Mayor asked if they were doing Santa that day.

Tammie mentioned it would be a perfect opportunity if we could arrange it, but it is getting kind of late to plan.

Chris Breiland – Holiday Decorations

Chris would like to make our Christmas in Snowville a little bigger. He would like to do a celebration over at the park. He is proposing a 3-year contract. He would put up all the lights and do the decorating. The cost for the 1st year is \$3500.00 and year two and three would be \$1500 per year. This would be for next year.

Chris brought a few pages of holiday decorations to share with the council. His printer was not working to print the whole catalog. He will send Tammie a copy of the catalog to share with the council. He is planning on a 20 ft live tree. Mayor Heyder asked when it would be up and functioning and when it would be taken down. We would need a contract. Mayor Heyder asked how much power this would take. Mayor was worried about the electricity at the bowery handling all of the lights.

Tammie stated if this is something that the council would like to do, we would need to change up our budget next year. Right now, we have very little money set aside for the Christmas party. We might need to scale down the 4th of July or other activities to make it work.

Chris will come back to next town council with some more specific line items and more information to see exactly what it will cost for the town.

Acceptance of Expenses

Keith Thompson made a motion to pay the expenses. Scott O'Hare 2nd. All council members present voted yes.

Adjourn

Scott O'Hare made a motion to adjourn. John Levenduski 2nd. All council members present voted yes.

The meeting adjourned at 8:18 p.m.

Tammie Morgan, Clerk/Recorder