

July 5, 2018 regular scheduled meeting of the Vernon Town Council

Members present: Mayor Dan Wright, Council John Post and Shelly Davers, Marshal Britt Burgmire and Clerk Jean Rockey. Danny Stark and Brad Kage were unable to attend.

Meeting called to order at 7PM by Mayor Dan Wright

Minutes of the previous meeting were read by the clerk and a motion to pass was made by John with a second by Shelly.

Marie Shepherd with the APC was the first on the agenda with a request from John Branham address 225 Jackson Street want to rezone the property from commercial to residential – Shelly made a motion to pass this request with a second by John Post.

Next Marie discussed the home at 275 E Brown Street owner Debra King. It has been inspected and deemed unfit for human living conditions. A hearing has already been held to have her removed from the home so the exterminators can start working on the rat infestation. Lou Vaught and Tommy Franks are doing the work. Notices have been sent out to neighbors and posted in Town. Discussion on the cost of the exterminators – if the county paid this cost – they could put a lien on their taxes next spring. John suggested the Town pay the invoice directly to the APC office. John made a motion to pay the cost of the extermination to the APC for 275 E Brown Street this was seconded by Shelly.

Dan then asked her the condition of the home itself. Marie said the judge will rule in 30 days about whether or not she can return to the house or if it will have to be taken down. She passed out photos to the council on the condition of the home and the fact that a lot of the rats are in the walls and the roof and will be baited but all would not be caught they would die in the walls. They are trying to contain them in the home if possible. She said as it got closer to the court date this topic could be looked at closer. Right now she doesn't see any way it can be lived in again. Dan Wright is concerned it is one of the last 3 log cabins in Vernon.

Carol Engle wants the red maple tree by her mother's home trimmed the branches are hitting the window. Dan will have Ron look at it.

John Roberson also brought up the dead tree on Montgomery Street by the Sara Bentz home.

Discussion on where to take the debris – Dan is going to approach the cemetery about taking limbs and such down there. Another clean up day was discussed.

Steve Combest came to the meeting to discuss the unopened alley that Steve Manlief wants to use as a driveway to his backyard where he plans to build a pole barn. Steve said Mr. Manlief did not have permission from the state or the owners of the drive he uses to get to his home. And the alley would take up a lot of what he thought was his yard.

Council:

Shelly had 2 appraisals for the 29 N Montgomery Street property, Dan asked her to forward the information to Brad and see how to proceed.

She asked about the green barn at the end of Brown Street – Brad left a title search of this with Jean, Dan said he needed to read it more carefully first.

She asked if we had the leases on the gym rooms that Danny Stark rented out – the clerk does not. Shelly thinks we should get them from Danny and keep them on file at the office.

John said he did not have a problem with Ron keeping the Town truck at his residence and made this into a motion with a second by Shelly.

The basketball goals are being used a lot but by them being raised and lowered we may have a problem with older kids dunking. Dan suggested putting them up and locking them. Ron will take care of this.

John has 1 quote from Georges Tree Service for the two trees at the gym 600.00 each, the one by the Randy Ramey home to top 600.00 and to take down 1800.00 and he would take the wood to the gym yard, Brown street Betty Littell to remove 1200.00, the ash tree on Gaines Street 2500.00, and the one on Pike Street by the Mobley home 1600.00 for a total of \$8300.00.

Ron had the second one from H & L all of the above locations chip all brush, cut up all wood and leave a total of \$7500.00

John made a motion to go with H & L with a second by Shelly. Dan asked what funds we should take the money from?

John suggested 1200.00 from the gym, Jean suggested 2500.00 from LRS, and the balance of 3800.00 from the Cedit Fund. John made this into a motion with a second from Shelly. And also will ask about the tree by Sara Bentz home. Ron will contact them.

Britt had nothing he is still waiting on the quotes on the vest.

Radar guns are working well.

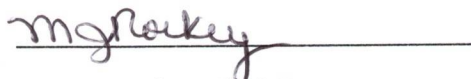
Dan Wright has the other signs still has to put them up.

Cummins will be coming back to finish the gym playground on the 16<sup>th</sup>.

Nothing else Shelly made a motion to adjourn second.



Dan Wright, Mayor



M. Jean Rockey, Clerk Treasurer