

Elsie Special Council Minutes July 30, 2024

President Tom Frink called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Members Present: President Tom Frink; Council members: Kory Witt, Dorothy Ornelas, Sam Frink, Joe Ondrusek, Jason Freeman, Todd Carroll

Members Absent:

Ex-Officios Present: Police Chief Bryce,

CORRECETIONS, ADDITIONS or DELETETIONS TO THE AGENDA: Onderusek moved to make a motion to postpone item 6, 7, 8,9,10, and 11 to the August 13th 2024 council meeting, Witt seconded to accept the changes to the agenda as written MOTON CARRIED

AGENDA: T. Frink moved; Witt seconded to accept the agenda as written MOTON CARRIED

The motion was made to go into a closed session with villages attorney by Sam Frank, seconded by Dorothy Ornelas. Roll call vote. All yea, MOTION PASSED.

Attorney Revore requested someone read off the motion for closed session, at which time Todd Carroll read the following: Move pursuant to Section 8 H of the Open Meetings Act to consider material exempt from disclosure by state statute, section 13, one G of the Freedom of Information Act, which exempts from public disclosure. Information or record subject to the attorney-client privilege being confidential. attorney-client written communication dated July 30th, 2024.

Moved closed session into the library at 1905hrs

Moved back into the Township office. Motion was made to go into open session at 2010 hrs. Motion made by K. Witt and seconded by J. Freeman. All in favor, MOTION PASSED

Councilmember Todd Carroll made a motion to add to the agenda for next month under board members; a discussion of the fire agreement in reference to the Schedule A and maintaining our own agreement with the fire department. Witt Seconded the motion. MOTION PASSED

Public Comment.

Fairfield Township Supervisor Rick Zelma. Expressed concern regarding taxpayers that pay a lot of money, and we just want fire coverage. We need the fire department. At which time the Village council reassured Zemla that the council as a whole will always back and support the fire department 100%.

Fairfield Township Clerk Carolyn Long expressed concerns regarding the closed session. Long asked did somebody have a problem with it? Why is the council bringing it up? You have a big special meeting to discuss it. The council advised Miss Long that it is a 25-year-old out dated Contract between all entities and that it needed to be updated.

Fairfield Township board member Tim Reagle expressed concern regarding as to why he looked at the agenda and online and couldn't find any info as to the purpose of the meeting other than consulting with an attorney with no information as to why the village was actually consulting with its attorney.

Mr. Maynard, Chapin Township Representative Expressed concern that he was on the board when they first started as a trustee. When they started the contract 25 years ago and tried to keep everything equal. The townships haven't changed much in the 25 years, so we're concerned. Because of that. It's a big concern. He advised the area lost the ambulance service a few years ago and we want to stay on top of the fire department and make sure we can keep the support and make sure this all works well. Mr. Maynard advised when they looked at the contract years ago, it was based on populations in the area and without a doubt, the contract needs to be looked at and updated. The council advised that they understood and there was some legal Items that they wanted to clarify with the attorney. At the next meeting. The council will be discussing the contract. It was also asked if the council was going to look at the language and proposed changes and then go to the fireboard. The council advised yes. And to propose changes, not to make changes, then give said proposal changes to Jason Freeman, our village Rep. to pass on to the fire board, And that they can distribute it to the other municipalities and so forth.

ADJOURNMENT: Kory Witt motioned; Sam Frink seconded to adjourn the July 10th Council Meeting at 8:37 p.m. MOTION CARRIED.

Tom Frink
Village President

Destinee Bryce
Police Chief/ Acting Clerk