The Town of Fountain Lake, Arkansas

7148 Park Avenue Fountain Lake, Arkansas 71910

Minutes of the 56th Council Meeting May 12, 2008

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM by Mayor Tim Stockdale. Members present included Donna Belote, Frank Pfenenger, Margaret Bushong, Carl Sheets, Jane Tuma and Clyde Vaughn. The Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Street Lights – Tim has not been able to contact the Electric Coop of Benton to arrange for a street light at Highway 5 and Goose Pond Rd. He will request another light from Entergy for JMC Lane and Hillvale Garden Trail.

Roads – The Town sustained some damage from the recent heavy rain. A portion of Hillvale Garden Trail was lost into the river and also a hillside collapsed. Other roads suffered from mud slides blocking culverts, trees down and debris in ditches. Tim has met with FEMA and obtained a promise of \$20,00.00 to repair roads and clear the debris. He will continue to coordinate recovery with Joy Sanders, our local FEMA representative. Donna will arrange to have the ditches cleared again.

Committee Reports:

Emergency Planning Committee – Jack Fields, head of the committee has not called a meeting.

Road Committee – Donna reported that there is still some debris on the roads but that Hillvale Garden Trail has been repaired to pre-rain condition. Tim stated that we will make additional repairs to prevent a reoccurrence but not with FEMA monies. Donna has not heard from Mr. DePriest of Mungle Trail and has not received any pictures or complaints about the cars in the roadway. Tim reported that he contacted the AHD to do another safety evaluation of Highway 5 to see if the street lights and speed signs have had any impact of occurrence of accidents.

Budget and Finance Committee – Nothing new to report

Motion to accept the committee reports was made by Tim Stockdale and seconded by Carl Sheets. The reports were unanimously approved as read.

Old Business – Tim has not completed the survey for the Municipal League for a grant to develop a recreation center in the Town but has found a grant for a "fun park". The amount is \$45,00.00, with no matching funds required. Margaret volunteered to attend the meeting in Hot Springs on May 27, 2008.

New Business:

Cable Access – Donna proposed talking to SuddenLink, a cable company in the area about providing cable service to our community. Tim suggested having a spokesperson for the company speak to the Council. Some concerns were voiced about people with existing service being forced to accept the new company. A motion was made to begin dialogue with the company by Tim and seconded by Frank and approved unanimously.

Bookkeeping services – Margaret has requested that the Council consider hiring a CPA firm to assist Margaret with data entry of the Town's financial transactions. A motion was made by Tim to allow Margaret to contract with a local firm for bookkeeping services. The motion was seconded by Clyde and approved unanimously.

Arkansas Municipal League Meeting – A League conference will be held in Hot Springs in June. Tim called for the names of members who wish to attend. Tim, Frank and Jane will attend. Don Nobles will also attend as a guest of Jane. A Motion that we adopt a Resolution to authorize payment to Arkansas Municipal League for Town Council members to attend the semi-annual conference in Hot Springs in June was made by Tim and seconded by Clyde.

Tim has been contacted by some members of the Center Hill Baptist church on having their road designated as a town road. They were invited to attend the meeting but did not appear tonight. Tim suggests we contact them about the next meeting so we can discuss the issue.

Don Nobles, a visitor to the meeting, stated that he had an old deed which indicated the exact boundary lines of the Brey property on Mungle Trail and the amount of roadway that belonged to the Town. He suggested that we must act immediately to preserve the roadway from being impinged on by Mr. Brey's business. This matter has already been addressed by the Council and has been dealt with according to the recommendations of the Arkansas Municipal League attorneys. Tim agreed to measure the existing roadway and verify that Mr. Brey is not impinging on our roadway. The issue was tabled until the next meeting.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:30 PM

Mayor