

The Terry Town Council held a public hearing for the purpose of obtaining public comments on the proposed Resolution # 2016-437 Specifying the Street Maintenance District #1 Assessment Option and Levying and Assessing a Special Assessment for Fiscal Year 2017 Upon all the Property Within the District, to Defray the Estimated Cost of Maintenance Within the Same. The following people were in attendance: Council Members Cindy Bond, Caryn Rein, Tim Richards, and Brad Eaton, Town Attorney Shawn Quinlan, Public Works Director James Schilling and Clerk Lynn Schilling. Mayor Rolane Christofferson presided over the meeting. Members from the public present were Donald Haver, Larry Bond, Ron Vilhauer, Dick Grammer, Joan Grammer, Margie Brubaker, Suzanne Thomason, Brad Davis (arrived late/left early), and Megan Pirtz (arrived late/left early).

Mayor Rolane Christofferson stated the purpose of the public hearing along with the history of the Council's actions in regards to the Street Maintenance District #1. She then opened the public hearing up for comment.

Donald Haver suggested the Town take the asphalt up off of some of the bad streets. He stated that it is cheaper to maintain gravel. He does not want the Town to replace the street in front of Netzer Hardware- he further stated that he feels the business district should pay for the repairs of the streets by their businesses. He also suggested that the Town should use re-claimed asphalt as it would be cheaper.

Ron Vilhauer asked if the Town had used re-claimed asphalt at all. Mayor Rolane Christofferson stated that the Town does, when it is available from construction projects in the area. He further stated that Broadus had a piece of equipment they used for street repair that he thought was worth checking out.

All other members of the public declined to submit formal comment. An informal conversation took place in regards to previous years' budget numbers regarding street maintenance, specific projects the Town hopes to do, and conducting a street inventory. Margie Brubaker also inquired if the amount of time the Town spends picking up rural and Fallon garbage is detrimental to their ability to complete projects and maintenance within the Town. Council Member Cindy Bond stated that if the revenue that the Town receives for providing garbage service outside of Town was lost, that residents in Terry would need to pick it up.

Brad Davis submitted comment as a resident and tax payer in the town. He stated that he is in favor of the maintenance district. If anything, he questions if the Council is assessing enough, but he thanked them for their efforts and for moving forward with the district.

Megan Pirtz asked if those in attendance were aware that there is "no cap" on the assessment. She further stated that Council could raise the assessment every year if they want. She also stated that the Town needs to be bringing more people to live here by offering tax breaks and incentives to young families and new business owners.

With no further comments, the Town Council passed a motion to adopt Resolution # 2016-437. (Bond/Eaton)

The meeting adjourned at 7:12 p.m. (Rein/Richards)

ATTEST;

Lynn Schilling, Clerk

Rolane Christofferson, Mayor