MINUTES-REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING – July 12, 2017 – 6:00 p.m.

PUBLIC PRESENT: Jake Bethel (Perry County News)

<u>COUNCIL & EMPLOYEES PRESENT:</u> Jane Efinger-Hayden, Sharman Jarboe, Jay Oliva, Brandon Kleeman, Adam Hoffman Linda Crawford and Pudder Linne

ABSENT: NONE

The public was asked to sign in and get an agenda which advised the meeting was being recorded.

The meeting began with the "Pledge of Allegiance".

Time sheets were previously signed by Linda and returned to Jane.

Linda Crawford, President, called the regular meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

Agendas, mail, correspondence, financials and minutes were distributed.

A motion was made by Adam to accept the Consent Agenda, which included the previous month's minutes, current agenda and current financials. Sharman seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

CITIZENS: Note: David Scott came in a little after 7:00. Was advised by Linda that the meeting was almost over. He advised he thought it was at 7:00, cursed, and left.

PUDDER--

FIRE: 0 runs this month.

ELECTRIC: Pudder brought up an invitation to IMPA in Washington on 8/18. RSVP's due by 8/9. ***Regarding upgrades, still accepting bids for poles on 66/Ridge from contractors on Squirrel Road. They are re-thinking 66. 3 poles are in a rock curve and may need side-mounted. May have a change of blueprints for the road from Lochmueller and may separate 66 from other jobs (545) and (water plant). May leave 66 off for now. ***Had an outage on 7/7 from the distributor. Came in and blew a fuse from 10pm-12am. Was to a line to the substation from the supplier. Had 2 downed trees on an incoming line. It was isolated Saturday around noon. Brought the track in. Was not an expense for us except for the fuse.

WATER: Regarding the RD Apply grant paperwork, we got the PER back. They are wrapping up and are on track. RD came back on 6/21, DNR on 6/20 and the State got the paperwork. They suggested PER changes. John Wetzel of Midwestern said that after we filed it would be a quick turnaround, hopefully soon. Maybe by the fall we will have it completed and start next summer. Should take about six months. Mike Strahl has stopped by a couple of times to check on things.

SEWER: Last fall the 8" forced main was done on Water Street. We need to do the same on 545 at the dead end before any blacktopping is done. That section needs upgraded. Will cost @\$4,000.00. Adam made a motion to upgrade the sewer line on that section and Brandon seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

INDIANA 15: No meeting until August of 2017.

LINDA: Advised that KKIL started paving and are about 1/3 done. Have the base and topcoat done. Also have added some more doors. Pudder advised we needed to push Cynthia to get this completed. ***Advised we needed DO NOT PARK signs on the road on the town end of McDaniel Street. Tanner can also patrol. This is a public street.

***Advised we are on the 2nd step of the Nuisance letters. Discussed having Tanner deliver them, having them come from the lawyer or mailing them certified. ***Brought up DNR and Norman Poehlein property. Has spent many hours on this. She advised he is going by a manufactured home regulations permit. He has an RV. He will have to reapply for a new permit and we will have to revoke the current permit that we issued. Will contact the attorney regarding getting it moved and proceeding. She will forward all the supporting documentation to our attorney. We have met our DNR responsibility.

SHARMAN: Asked about boat parking lot traffic rules. Who yields, etc? Cannot put up a STOP sign because of Corps of Engineers. Harrison is a public street. They need to yield. ***Asked about possible asbestos in the burnt house. Advised should not be any except possibly in the siding and should be taken down any day now.

BRANDON: Discussed ATV's and golf carts. Are we 'locked in' with 66 and 545 being state highways? Advised you can cross at an angle, but not drive on. There are separate rules for 4-wheelers. Linda received information on the list serve she printed off and will get that to Brandon. Some have a 1-time \$25.00 registration fee and there are driver's license age limits and helmet, safety regulations to abide by. ***Noticed the rock is there down by the boat ramp. Water level needs to be about 13'. Is 16' now. ***Discussed again putting up a donation box. Need to check with DNR. Jay advised might insight vandalism. Adam said he could build a strong box. Pudder believes DNR made us take a box down in the past. Jane will contact Grandview and see how they proceeded with theirs.

ADAM: Asked about the playground status. Jane advised she and Pudder met with the new insurance agent. She provided a binder with regs in it. Linda has it. Wants to get a fundraising program started, perhaps a poker run or raffle, etc. Linda suggested contacting businesses. She will get the binder to Adam. Pudder suggested we need to have a plan in place before asking for donations.

JAY: Nothing to report.

JANE: Advised there is a CITIES & TOWNS bulletin for anyone who wants to read. ***Said the Yard of the Month went to Jean Young of 320 Market Street. ***Advised we are still collecting canned goods for the Battle of the Badges in August. Tanner will take the lead on this as Jane will be on vacation at that time. ***Reminded the board there is a Grant writing workshop in September and October Sponsored by Purdue. ***Advised the Community Crossings grant was submitted with the help of Midwestern yesterday. Should hear something back by the end of August. ***Advised there is a Floodplain/Stormwater Management Conference coming up and provided the email to the board.

***Reminded the board that the Abatements were turned in to the County and WGS was not approved and Automated did not reply. ***Provided the board with an email from Pastor Dan Hopkins regarding a Homelessness meeting on 8/15 at EUCC at 6:30. Jane and Adam said they might attend.

TANNER: Was out getting the switch box replaced. Jane advised that this will repair the siren and light bar that quit working this week. ***Advised Tanner will be going to the academy tomorrow until November 10th. ***Needed permission to get the decals replaced on the cruiser as they are all peeling-this should be approximately \$250.00. Jay made a motion. Sharman seconded. All in favor. Motion carried. ***Also needs a car laptop charger. This is under \$50.00, so it is approved. ***Advised there is a NATIONAL NIGHT OUT on August 1. Pudder elaborated that it will be at Perry Central this year and we may take a firetruck and maybe the Bounce House-checking on liability issues. ***Jane provided the board with Tanner's schedule until he graduates from the Academy. ***Since he was not there, did not have any information on the battery, AED, 800 band radio or his activity report. ***Linda also advised we needed to get a safety vest for Tanner. Pudder advised he might have an extra one.

OLD BUSINESS:

PERSONNEL: Jane presented a letter from Laira and Lavonne and herself. Lavonne is wanting to go to 2 days a week

and Laira will soon need maternity leave for 2 months. We will need a back-up person to fill in for vacations, days off, emergency days and as needed. Training needs to begin soon. The new person would work Monday and Thursdays as these are the busiest days. We will not ever have 3 in the office (except for training). Will start out at \$12.00 per hour and have a six month probation period. We have a candidate in mind, but will advertise in the local paper. We will have a committee (of 2 board members and Jane and Pudder and Lavonne and Laira) to help interview. If Lavonne retires anytime soon, we can have a seamless transition for the new person to take on more days. There was much discussion on this and many questions. Jay made a motion to hire a part-time office worker. Adam seconded. All in favor: Sharman-yes. Linda-no. Brandon-abstained. Jane advised she will get an ad in the paper as soon as possible and have a deadline for applications. The applications have been updated as per Linda's request.

There being no further business, Linda needed a motion to adjourn the meeting. Jay made a motion. Adam seconded. All in favor. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:22 p.m. The next regular Town Council meeting will be on Wednesday, August 16, 2017 at 6:00 pm.

Linda Crawford, President

Sharman Jarboe, Board Member

Brandon Kleeman, Board Member

Jay Oliva, Vice-President

Adam Hoffman, Board Member

ATTEST: Jane Efinger-Hayden

Clerk/Treasurer