

MINUTES-REGULAR
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING – October 16, 2019 – 6:00 p.m.

PUBLIC PRESENT: John Wetzel (Midwestern), Helen Kleeman, Spud Kleeman, Cathy Crossley, Rich Simpson, Dan Hayden, Adam Hoffman, Bill Cotton, Eric Whittaker (Perry County News), Janice Harpenau, Nathan Stanton and Marylou Brake

COUNCIL & EMPLOYEES PRESENT: Jane Efinger-Hayden, Tom Utley, Linda Crawford, Brandon Kleeman, Chris Goffinet, Sharman Jarboe and Jay Oliva

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 Jay and returned to Jane.

Jay Oliva, President, called the regular meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Linda had a question re: @800.00 transfer from Electric to Town, Jane advised most transfers are payroll related, but will check when have form to review. Agendas, mail, correspondence, financials and minutes were distributed. Sharman made a motion to accept the consent agenda. Linda seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

BUDGET: Jane advised this was the adoption meeting for the 2020 budget. Linda asked if there would be funds for an upcoming community crossing grant to match the 75/25. There should be. Sharman made a motion to adopt the budget. Brandon seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

FIRE: (Month #9-no report from fire department personnel).

TOM--

ELECTRIC: Advised the power outage-planned- was last Sunday, started a little later than anticipated. Breaker cut on outage and switched 3-phase for water plant. ***Meggitt has asked for a 1500 amp additional feed. Tom has called IMPA to meet with them to assess this. ***There have been two small outages, one on Troy Ridge Road and the other was for 6 houses and this was due to fuses.

WATER: The plant is coming along great. ***There will be a contractor meeting in the morning and then he has a chemical meeting with EJP regarding the meters. ***The hiring of a WT3 came up after looking at a recent proposal for Tim Nelson from Midwestern. Will need one soon as start-up will begin in November/December. Linda wanted more time to look over the proposal and had some questions, therefore we will table until November meeting.

SEWER: There have been no run-overs since ORG slowed their output. ***Pumps ordered in August, takes 13 weeks, and should be here soon. ***Jerry Harpenau was provided a bid by Lutgring for 850.00 to repair work to front of his road due to issues from our sewer improvements. A motion was made to accept the bid by Linda, Sharman seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

CITIZENS:

John Wetzel-(Midwestern)-gave an update on the progress of the water plant. Inside and outside items are getting done. Generator is up. Transformer in. Electric in. Chemical equipment in. Pumps in. Was a small issue with the front door, being addressed. Linda asked about placards regarding hazardous materials being placed on the outside of the building. He advised not hazardous, but inside items will be labeled.

***The pay request for all the meters, Midwestern and CHM are in and we are @ 75% there. Linda made a motion to pay the 388,051.34 pay request. Brandon seconded. All in favor and motion carried. ***Needed a motion for the 'O' change order from last month that needed to be done due to insulation needing to be ordered ASAP. Linda made a motion to accept the Zero change order. Brandon seconded. All in favor and motion carried. ***Regarding the Fulton Hill repairs, we could take out a 10 year loan at a reasonable interest rate. Craig will aid in the paperwork and it would be about 85,000.00. Will look into alternate funding and advise and will also use any leftover contingency monies towards this project. Environmental are done and we can possibly take out of electric and avoid another loan situation.

Bill Cotton-advised he would be later referring to utility personnel and wanted Tom to know it will not be him he is referring to. Had continued issues with 2014 minutes. Advised he is still willing to donate swings to the new playground and still does not understand where the swings went and under who's authority. Also questioned where the basketball goal and area went when the utilities building was placed on top of it. Wants to donate and get this put back up. Talked about the parks board and the town board and the utility board and all the research he's done and he can find nowhere where this was approved or voted upon to authorize this dismantling situation. Sharman advised she felt he was being falsely accusatory towards this board when they had nothing to do with this currently. Chris advised there are statutes of limitation on certain incidents and most of this was done several years ago. Bill advised that he is referring to one person who is also our Fire Chief and he works for us and should be held accountable and why is he not here at these meetings to answer to his actions. Jay advised we have asked a fire representative to be here to no avail. He had several documents that contradicted what the minutes implied happened. That was all Bill had at this time.

Janice Harpenau-nothing.

Richard Simpson-nothing.

Adam Hoffman-nothing.

Dan Hayden-nothing.

Nathan Stanton-nothing.

Marylou Brake-nothing.

Helen and Spud Kleeman-nothing.

Cathy Crossley-asked about a Marshall, advised is later on agenda.

JANE: Asked the board to set Trick or Treat Hours. They will be from 5-8p on 10/31. ***Advised that Fall Clean-Up was last Thursday and Friday and went well, no issues. ***Advised salary ordinances needed approved. Sharman made a motion to approve the Town Salary Ordinance for 2020. Linda seconded. All in favor and motion carried. Sharman made a motion to approve the Utilities Salary Ordinance for 2020 and Brandon seconded. All in favor. Motion carried. ***Advised Mr. Gelarden came in and asked if there were no big events coming up, they would be taking the boat dock out in a couple of weeks. Brandon also advised they may be doing some rip-rap repair. ***Regarding the new Parks Times Open Ordinance, Sharman made a motion to accept the ordinance, Linda seconded. All in favor and motion carried. Chris advised we need to publish this in the legals. ***Advised of a reminder for the INDOT meeting on 10/31 here at 8:30 CST.

CHRIS: Regarding the Stanton detail shop, he has been in contact with Nathan. Advised clean-up efforts have been made but vehicles continue to not be licensed and have flat tires. He restores and turns cars around and owns some of them personally. There is an ordinance for abandoned vehicles that he is in clear violation of. He did move the car off the corner for safety issues after being contacted by his neighbor, Jane. Chris advised we can enforce ordinance, not enforce, remove vehicles or fine him. Chris will look further into the abandoned vehicle ordinance and we will discuss in

November and also look into zoning issues. ***Adam asked why we would accommodate one business and not another, Jane advised this was the only one we have had complaints on recently. Helen told Adam his yard is a mess too, Adam advised he has a business as well. ***Regarding Smiths on Washington, he will wait the 30 days and get the marshal a copy of the letter and fines will be imposed. Jane advised she was told by the street department that there are items covering up/leaning up against the fire hydrant by their home. This is a clear safety violation. ***Regarding the parking of semis on the highway in front of the post office and Troy Market, Chris will further investigate this.

JAY: Advised that the current Parks Board is no longer active. IN law advises that you may have one, but do not need to have one and can be governed by the town council. Wanted a motion to disband the current Parks Board and if needed to be reactivated they could do so with elections, appointments, etc. Linda made a motion to abolish the current Parks Board. Sharman seconded. All in favor. Motion carried. ***Regarding the hiring of a Marshal. Advised had several applications and interviews. Linda's recommendation was to hire Stephen Poehlein, he has the experience and has agreed to train others. He will be gone for 7 months for military reserve commitments in 2020. He does training for our local SO and reserves. Advised all he would need would be shirts and ammunition. Advised the board would have say over who his two trainees will be. Brandon seconded. All in favor. Motion carried. Jay will call Officer Poehlein and Jane will get a copy of the contract to Chris for review and revisions.

SHARMAN: Sharman advised she was part of an initial focus group on 9/24 through PCMH. Health needs were addressed. Parks/Trails, Healthcare and LifeSpring were mentioned. Education, Mental Health, Substance Abuse and Housing issues were also on the table. All 3 local schools and IVYTech are working with these subjects. There was another subsequent meeting the next day, have not heard the outcome of their discussion as of yet. High-end housing, rental and mid-range is clearly a need for this community. All the presenters were from up north and were impressed with our area. ***Is attending her last 2019 IN15 meeting this Tuesday night. ***Heard some positive news from the new PCCF director Emily Davis regarding possible grants for erosion on the Ohio. Will be meeting with her further. Linda also advised there may be FEMA money from past flooding issues available.

BRANDON: Advised he and Chris have worked on a draft of recreational vehicle ordinance. There will need to be some changes such as helmets, lights, etc. Chris will review and we will discuss again in November.

LINDA: Advised Logos got the Pick Perry sign in, going to wait to see where to place it re: INDOT and ROW. ***Advised other Troy signs coming into town need to be cleaned. Jane will advise Street Department. ***Advised she and Alisha will be doing the Witch's Walk on 10/24 in TC. Chris advised they can set up at his old office. Linda received many nice donations from the board, staff and citizens for candy for the event. Jane will take care of the booth information. ***Advised she had a Parks meeting on 10/8 and 7 people were there. Handed out a flyer of all the bullet points that were priority from the surveys. Will have a lady, Tara Damin, here in November on the agenda regarding a matching grant. May have a project for the board to approve. Will still be contacting businesses for financial assistance at some point. Next meeting on 11/12. Citizens may also donate. ***The Martin situation is still a mess with the grindings and dusty area shooting up over the trees. Will be contacting PCDC for a contact name regarding runoff and they are literally operating in the parking lot, no offices, etc. ***Advised Mervis bag houses are up. ***Jane asked Linda if she knew of any update on KKIL tax abatement situation. Not as of right now. ***Asked by citizens if there will be a plaque on the new water plant. Jane advised it was in the plans and already paid for per Midwestern.

OLD BUSINESS: None and no other correspondence.

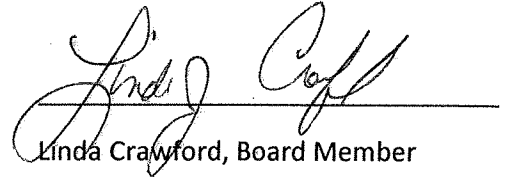
ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m. A motion was made by Sharman and seconded by Brandon. All in favor. Motion carried. The next meeting will be on November 13, 2019 at 6:00 p.m., CST.



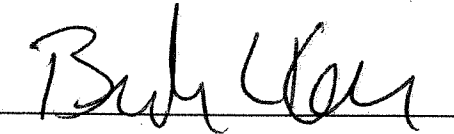
Jay Oliva, President



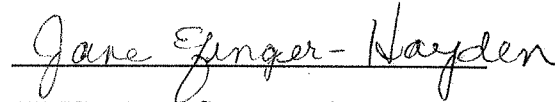
Sharman Jarboe, Vice President



Linda Crawford, Board Member



Brandon Kleeman, Board Member



ATTEST: Jane Efinger-Hayden

Clerk/Treasurer