



TOWN OF CLEAR LAKE, INDIANA  
REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING  
July 8, 2019

The regular meeting of the Town Council of Clear Lake, Indiana was held at the Town Hall on Monday July 8, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. Present were Council President Darin Thorp and members Bruce Spangler, Molly Wehrenberg, Bonnie Brown, and Roger Dammeier. Also present were Clerk/Treasurer - Jessica Swander, Town Marshal - Chris Emerick, Town Assistant – Guy Rodgers, and Zoning Administrator – Gary Johnston. There were nine property owners who signed the guest register.

Council Member, Bonnie Brown called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led the sighting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

COUNCIL ACTIONS:

1. Approval of minutes from the Regular Town Council meeting held on Monday, June 10th, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. Bonnie Brown presented the minutes to the Council and suggested adding Zoning Administer Gary Johnston to all future minutes as being in attendance. Bonnie Brown then asked for any additions or correction. None were given.

Bruce Spangler made a motion to accept the Regular Town Council minutes as presented. Seconded by Roger Dammeier. Motion passed.

2. Approval of Voucher Register with Warrants – Jessica Swander presented the Voucher Register with Warrant details. Bonnie Brown had a question on the price of mowing 124 Penner Drive. Roger Dammeier requested a change to the sewer payment to Town of Clear Lake from Town of Fremont. Questions were answered and change was noted.

Disbursements on the Voucher Register are as follows:

Operating Funds:	\$46,383.76
Sewer Funds:	<u>\$28,274.64</u>
Total Disbursements	\$74,658.41

Roger Dammeier made a motion to approve the Voucher Register with correction. Seconded by Molly Wehrenberg. Motion passed.

REPORTS:

- a. Financial Report – Jessica Swander presented the financial report showing financials through June 30, 2019. Report is on file.

- b. Marshal's Report – Chris Emerick gave an update on the activities at and around Clear Lake over the last month. Report is on file.
  - a. Chris Requested a few items for the Marine Patrol boat. Items requested were as follows: First Aid Kit, Anchor, Fishing Net, and Ring Buoy.

Molly Wehrenberg made a motion to approve the purchase of a First Aid Kit, Anchor, Fishing Net, and Ring Buoy with purchases being made through the Clear Lake Marina for a cap of \$300.00 Seconded by Roger Dammeier. Motion passed.

- a. Molly Wehrenberg commended Chris Emerick for everything he did for the recent tragedy on the Lake. Followed by applause from those in attendance.
- b. Council discussed equipment lost from the Sheriffs office from the recovery.
- c. Bonnie Brown asked Chris Emerick if there was anything the Town could do in the future given the recent incident on the lake. Chris stated the Town needs to consider purchasing a new boat. Chris stated the boat is 25 years old and there were issues with the boat starting.
- d. Bonnie Brown requested Chris Emerick get quotes on a new boat.
- c. Fire Department – Molly Wehrenberg gave an update on the fire department runs. Report is on file.
- d. Zoning Administrator – Gary Johnston gave an update on the number of cases and what has transpired in the PC/ZA office. No report on file.
  - a. Bonnie Brown and Molly Wehrenberg asked about specifics on cases. Gary Johnston gave details.
- e. Superintendent – Guy Rodgers updated the Council on the sewer/street department activities over the last month. Report on file.
  - a. Bonnie Brown asked about specifics on number of Hours and how they are split between Street and Sewer. Guy Rodgers explained.

#### UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- 1. Employee Handbook- Darin Thorp is still working with Patrick McKenna on getting the changes made to the Employee Handbook.

2. IT Update- Darin Thorp gave an update on the computer orders. Installation should take place within the next two weeks.
3. Lease Agreement- Darin Throp presented the Lease Agreement to Council. Bonnie Brown asked if there were two office spaces or three as outlined in the agreement. Bonnie Brown also asked about utilities.

Bruce Spangler made a motion to pass the Lease agreement with changes to the amount of office spaces. Seconded by Molly Wehrenberg. Motion passed.

#### NEW BUSINESS:

1. Clear Lake Public Beach- Darin Throp addressed the County Commissioners desire and consideration to sell the public beach. Molly Wehrenberg updated Council on the Commissioners meeting. County Council members are meeting tomorrow to discuss with the Commissioners. Molly Wehrenberg asked Commissioners to give an update to the Town following their meeting. Discussion was made between Council members. Darin Throp stated they would have more discussion once information had been given.
2. 2020 Calendar- Molly Wehrenberg presented the 2020 Calendar to change the monthly Council meetings from the second Monday of the month.

Molly Wehrenberg made a motion to move Council Meeting starting January 2020 from the second Monday of the month to the third Monday of the month. Seconded by Roger Dammeier. Motion passed.

#### COUNCIL REPORT:

1. Molly Wehrenberg- Submitted article for Clear Lake Association Newsletter.
2. Molly Wehrenberg - Received a call from the Adams Family. She was asked how money could come to the Town of Clear Lake in Memory of Jack. They really want to make sure the local community was given back to. Molly stated that it will require an ordinance. The family has posted on the Bulletin board that donations can be made to the Clear Lake Marine Patrol. She will have Chris Emerick write Thank You notes.
3. Bruce Spangler- Stated publicly that Molly Wehrenberg and Chris Emerick did an incredible job over the weekend and they deserve a lot of credit. Applause from those in attendance.

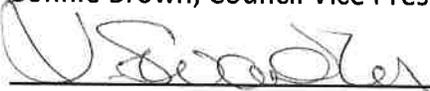
4. Bonnie Brown- Flooding on 700. Cars Getting Stuck and closure of the road. Roger Dammeier stated we can only do so much as it is a County Road. Darin Throp stated he would call his contact at the County to discuss options as he had questions about the section of the road that had been cut.

GENERAL DISCUSSION:

There being no further business or discussions President Thorp Adjourned the meeting at 7:55 p.m.



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Bonnie Brown, Council Vice President



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Attest: Jessica Swander, Clerk/Treasurer