

TOWN OF CLEAR LAKE, INDIANA REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING November 16th, 2020

The Regular Council meeting of the Town Council of Clear Lake, Indiana was held at the Town Hall and by teleconference on Monday, November 16th, 2020 at 7:00PM. Present were Town Council President Darin Thorp, Council Members Bonnie Brown, Brent Schlosser, Dan Rippe, and Tyson Johnston. Also present were Clerk/Treasurer - Jessica Swander, Marshal- Chris Emerick, and Street & Sewer Superintendent - Guy Rodgers. There were seven residents who signed the guest register.

Council President Darin Thorp called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. started with the sighting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

COUNCIL ACTIONS:

1. Approval of minutes from the Regular Town Council meeting held on Monday October 19th, 2020 at 7:00PM. Darin Thorp presented the minutes to the Council. Darin Thorp then asked for any additions or corrections. None were given.

Tyson Johnston made a motion to accept the Regular Town Council minutes as presented. Seconded by Brent Schlosser. Motion passed.

2. Approval of Voucher Register with Warrants – Jessica Swander presented the Voucher Register with Warrant details.

Disbursements on the Voucher Register are as follows:

Operating Funds:

\$36,367.41

Sewer Funds:

\$31,665.77

Total Disbursements

\$68,033.18

Bonnie Brown made a motion to accept the Voucher Register with Warrants. Seconded by Tyson Johnston. Motion passed.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Salary Ordinance 2020-05 was and read out loud by Jessica Swander.

Bonnie Brown made a motion to approve and move Salary Ordinance 2020-05. Seconded by Tyson Johnston. Motion passed.

New Business:

1. Pay Rate per employee was read out loud by Jessica Swander.

Bonnie Brown made a motion to approve raises and pay rates for 2021. Seconded by Brent Schlosser. Motion passed.

2. Plan Commission case for the Norton's at 723 SCLD was presented by Bonnie Brown along with the staff report. Plan Commission voted unanimously in favor of the rezone with eight letters of recommendation from the community and no objections.

Tyson Johnston made a to approve the rezone for the Norton's at 723 SCLD. Seconded by Brent Schlosser. Motion passed.

3. Urban Conservation cost sharing 2021 was presented by Bridget Harrison of the Clear Lake Township Land Conservancy. Bridget explained that the aspects of the grant and that the Conservancy would take of the funding that went along with the project. The location selected near the barn at the Town Hall was presented.

Bonnie Brown made a motion to approve the Urban Conservation Cost Share Program. Seconded by Tyson Johnston. Motion Passed.

4. Steuben County Economic Development Certification of Appointment and Service Agreement was presented by Jessiça Swander.

Bonnie Brown made a motion to appoint Brent Schlosser as the representative for Steuben County Economic Development. Seconded by Tyson Johnston. Motion Passed.

Service Agreement for the Steuben County Economic Development was tabled until next meeting.

- 5. Covid-19 sick time policy was discussed by Tyson Johnston and Jessica Swander with the current resolution passed in April covering employees in leu of sick time would be expiring December 31,2020. Tyson reported that he will be developing a policy with New Focus HR that will be implemented into our Handbook for full and part time employees.
- 6. Increased Covid-19 numbers in the County and the possibility of the closure of the Town Hall was discussed by Council members and Jessica Swander.

Tyson Johnston made a motion that Darin and Jessica would continue to assess the situation and determine if the Town Hall would close the doors. Seconded by Dan Rippe. Motion passed. 11.16.2020 Town Council Minutes:

REPORTS:

1. Financial Report – Jessica Swander presented the financial report showing financials through October 31st, 2020. Report is on file.

2. Marshals Report- Chris Emerick discussed Marshal activity around the lake. Report is on file.

Chris Emerick gave an update on the order of the New Speed Radar signs. They should be her in December.

3. Fire Department Report- Brent Schlosser read the Fire Department Report. Report is on file.

4. Zoning Administrator- Bonnie Brown discussed activity around the lake. Report is on file.

5. Superintendent- Guy Rodgers discussed activity around the lake. Report is on file.

Guy Rodgers spoke about drain issues.

COUNCIL REPORT:

Tyson Johnston gave his update on his search on ZA applicants and will present to Plan Commission.

Brent Schlosser is still working on parking issues and will hopefully be prepared by Spring.

GENERAL DISCUSSION:

Dave Hawk stated he has information on drainage issues and that he would get the Town some information.

There being no further business or discussions Council President Darin Thorp Adjourned the meeting at 7:54 p.m.

Darin Thorp, Council President

Attest: Jessica Swander, Clerk/Treasurer

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