

SOUTH WHITLEY TOWN COUNCIL WORK SESSION MINUTES
TOWN HALL BOARD ROOM
118 E FRONT STREET
SOUTH WHITLEY, IN 46787
OCTOBER 11TH 2016
5:30 PM

The South Whitley Town Council met for work session on Tuesday, October 11th 2016 at 5:30 PM. In the Town Hall Board Room. Those present were Council President Bill Boggs, Councilman Les Hoffman, Councilman Randy Cokl, Waste Water Operator/Utility Supervisor Kent Slater, Town Marshal Mikel VanDevender and Clerk-Treasurer Janet Howard.

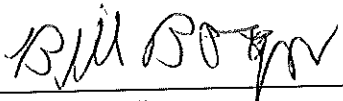
The cost of insurance for employees was discussed. The employee insurance is now with IACT and is a PPO and will no longer be a HSA.

It was announced that the bridge was opened today and the ribbon cutting ceremony will be Friday morning at 10:00 AM.

Kent stated that all the green street lights are going bad. They were installed in 2005 and are used with transformers, Kent would like to replace all of them eventually with LED lights, which would be energy efficient.

The current Yard Waste Policy was discussed and changes will probably be made.

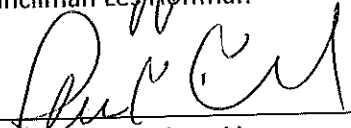
The meeting was adjourned at 6:25 PM. Motion was made by Councilman Hoffman, seconded by Councilman Cokl and carried by unanimous vote 3-0.



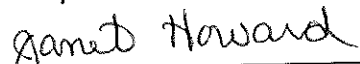
President Bill Boggs



Councilman Les Hoffman



Councilman Randy Cokl

ATTEST: 

Clerk-Treasurer Janet Howard

SOUTH WHITLEY TOWN COUNCIL PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES
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The South Whitley Town Council met on Tuesday, October 11th, 2016 at 6:30 PM for the Public Meeting in the Town Hall Board Room. Present were Council President Bill Boggs, Councilman Les Hoffman, Councilman Randy Cokl, Waste Water Operator/Supervisor Kent Slater, Town Marshal Mikel VanDevender, Town Attorney Gregg Hockemeyer and Clerk-Treasurer Janet Howard.

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM by President Boggs and followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of the September 27th 2016 Regular Session Meeting minutes were presented, approved and signed. Motion was made by Councilman Cokl, seconded by Councilman Hoffman and carried by unanimous vote 3-0.

Approval of the Prepaid APV'S totaling \$10,119.68 were presented, approved and signed. Motion was made by Councilman Cokl, seconded by Councilman Hoffman and carried by unanimous vote 3-0.

Approval of the APV'S totaling \$70,321.71 were presented, approved and signed. Motion was made by Councilman Cokl, seconded by Councilman Hoffman and carried by unanimous vote 3-0.

Approval of Payroll for week ending October 3rd 2016 and week ending October 10th 2016 were presented, approved and signed. Motions were made by Councilman Hoffman, seconded by Councilman Cokl and carried by unanimous vote 3-0.

New Business- Wanda Thompson was here to ask the Council for a water credit due to a leaky toilet. Motion to approve credit was made by Councilman Hoffman, seconded by Councilman Cokl and carried by unanimous vote 3-0. Discussion of employee salaries but ordinance will not be ready until next meeting.

Old Business – IT Service Contract with Mark Harvey was discussed and motion to approve contract with stipulation that the insurance coverage for town is good with the indemnification paragraph, motion was made by Councilman Hoffman, seconded by Councilman Cokl and carried by unanimous vote 3-0. Yard Waste Policy was discussed and decided that it will no longer be in effect. There will be no charge to pay for brush pick up, residents will need to place grass clippings and yard waste in yard near street but not in the street. There will also be no time frame for residential property on when yard waste will be picked up by town. Motion to approve was made by Councilman Hoffman, seconded by Councilman Cokl and carried by unanimous vote 3-0.

Park Board – Teresa stated the on United Way Day of Caring a shorter length of steps were put in out at Hagen Park to make the steps easier for walking up & down and that small lawn mowers can still go up & down them. The Fall decorations of bales of straw, pumpkins, and mums were set around town today. They will be left up for about 3 weeks and will be picked up after Halloween. Hopefully they will be able to plant mums in the parks. The next Park Board meeting will be Thursday, October 20th at 5:30PM. The

Park Board is wanting to get volunteers together on a Wednesday night and Saturday morning meeting to help organize winter activities.

Town Marshal-Random Drug testing policy needs to be established, Mikel is asking council if he can check with Lutheran hospital because Mikel stated Gregg had some concerns with Parkview's policy, Mikel has sent his concerns to Parkview and they haven't gotten back with him. They said that would be fine. There was discussion about 15 mile per hour speed signs on Mulberry and Wayne streets which are public streets and raising them to 20 mile speed signs, Mikel will get street information to Gregg so he can prepare an ordinance. The Ford Explorer is fixed and back now. Matt will be graduating this Thursday from the Academy. Mikel talked with Nixel about emergency alerts and will be meeting with them Thursday if it is free he will go with them but if not he will join up with Whitley County.

Waste Water Operator/Utility Supervisor – Kent stated that Sewage cleaning is ongoing. ITRON unit is getting better, all of the trailer park is read on electric reader now. Kent said a lot of the street lights up town are going bad and they are looking into changing them to LED instead of having transformers. Transformers cost about \$90.00 each to replace and that LED lighting will be more energy efficient and lights will be brighter. The ribbon cutting ceremony will be Friday morning at 10:00 AM. Electric meters are being changed out on a daily basis and the water meters will be next. Kent also stated he is still waiting on comments for the Long Term Control Plan.


Attorney Gregg Hockemeyer-Nothing

Clerk-Treasurer- Motion to pass Ordinance #10-11-2016-01 to be considered for final passage upon its first presentation on fixing the Salaries of the Town of South Whitley, Amending Ordinance #10-13-2015-01 was made by Councilman Hoffman, seconded by Councilman Cokl and carried by unanimous vote 3-0. Motion for the adoption of Ordinance #10-11-2016-01 by unanimous consent was made by Councilman Cokl, seconded by Councilman Hoffman and carried by unanimous vote 3-0. Motion of approve Ordinance #09-27-2016-01 for Additional Appropriations and Tax Rates for 2017 by 2nd reading was made by Councilman Hoffman, seconded by Councilman Cokl and carried by unanimous vote 3-0. Motion to approve Meter Deposit Refunds totaling \$355.99 was made by Councilman Hoffman, seconded by Councilman Cokl and carried by unanimous vote 3-0.

Public Input – Councilman Hoffman brought up that he would like an ordinance about the vacant or abandon buildings up town and what other towns have. Attorney Hockemeyer will look over those papers and what we currently have and get back with him. Gregg stated that if it is an unsafe building issue that it should go through the process with Craig Wagnor.

Motion to adjourn meeting at 7:24 PM by Councilman Hoffman, seconded by Councilman Cokl and carried by unanimous vote 3-0.

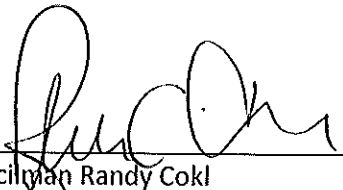
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