

SOUTH WHITLEY TOWN COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION MEETING MINUTES
TOWN HALL BOARD ROOM 118 E FRONT STREET, SOUTH WHITLEY, IN 46787
FEBRUARY 14TH 2017
6:30 P.M.

The South Whitley Town Council met in regular session on Tuesday, February 14th 2017 at 6:30 PM in the Town Hall Board Room. Present were President Randy Cokl, Councilman Les Hoffman, Councilman Bill Boggs, Town Marshal Mikel Van Devender, Waste Water Operator Kent Slater, Town Attorney Gregg Hockemeyer and Clerk-Treasurer Janet Howard.

The meeting was called to order at 7:16 P.M. by President Randy Cokl after the Public Hearing adjourned.

Old Business-No Old Business

New Business-Karen Jordan was present to inform the council she was interested to be on the Park Board. There was a vote by Councilman Hoffman to appoint her to the Park Board, seconded by Councilman Boggs and carried by unanimous vote 3-0 but was then stated that she did not live within the city limits and the nomination was rescinded by Councilman Boggs, seconded by Councilman Hoffman and carried by unanimous vote 3-0 because the 3 openings for the board were council appointments and needed to live within the city limits. Karen was thanked for her interested and will let her know if a position opens up with the library vote.

Water Leak adjustment for 802 S State Street Lot was discussed and Council agreed to have Joe Medley pay the electric portion and normal usage amount on his water and sewage portion of the bill on time and the remainder would be looked into and he will need to bring proof that everything is fixed by a certified plumber and Joe Medley agreed to this.

John Couch was present to talk to the board about his high electric bill. Mr. Couch stated he had a national weather report of that month and his bill should not be this high because he leaves his thermostat set at the same temperature all the time. President Cokl had a weather report as well and read of the temperatures of that month which had several days at freezing and below freezing temperatures. It was explained that even though you set your thermostat at the same temperature and not change it when it is colder it will run more to maintain that temperature and he has all electric in his apartment. The Council looked over the history of his past two years, there was discussion and decided his usage was not that high compared to winter months from previous years so there would be no adjustment. Mr. Couch wanted to show the council a sample of his water that he brought in because he was not happy with the quality.

Park Board – There was no representative present.

Department Heads

Town Marshal-Deputy Blake Burman graduates Thursday night February 16th and will start on the work schedule Saturday Night February 18th.

Waste Water Operator/Supervisor- Mr. Slater presented the Council with a contract for the East Side ADA Compliance Project that needed signed. The West Side ADA Project will bid out March 1s and later that day they will let Kent know the lowest bid. The West Side Project will start after July 1st of this year. Ron had three bids for the new furnace to replace old boiler furnace. The totals are for a combined

project. Bollinger Tin Shop as the lowest at \$9690.13, Van Heating was \$10,733.00 and Flow Tech was \$26,740.00. Motion to approve bid from Bollinger Tin Shop was made by Councilman Hoffman, seconded by Councilman Boggs and carried by unanimous vote 3-0. Ron Anderson also had a bid from Plant Growth Management for spraying Herbicide and maintenance around powerlines. The amount is \$3200.00 and motion was made by Councilman Hoffman, seconded by Councilman Boggs and carried by unanimous vote 3-0 to approve this bid, Ron will get a contract from Plant Growth Management.

Town Attorney-Mr. Hockemeyer stated he has sent more information to Attorney in Carmel. Mikel and himself have been working on finding the latest weed ordinance and will get ready to get into the new code book. No new progress with County Commissioner's on dispatch situation.

Clerk Treasurer-Clerk stated that Keystone would be coming tomorrow to give their end of the year training for the Fund software that was installed last fall.

Approval of the January 24th 2017 Regular Session Minutes were presented, approved and signed. Motion was made by Councilman Hoffman and seconded by President Cokl with a 2-0 vote. Councilman Boggs abstained for reason of being absent that night.

Approval of the Prepaid APV'S totaling \$74,408.41 were presented, approved and signed. Motion was made by Councilman Hoffman and seconded by Councilman Boggs and carried by unanimous vote 3-0.

Approval of the APV'S totaling \$16,276.97 were presented, approved and signed. Motion was made by Councilman Hoffman and seconded by Councilman Boggs and carried by unanimous vote 3-0.

Approval of Payroll for week ending January 30th 2017 for \$7,869.37, payroll for week ending February 6th 2017 for \$7,950.76 and payroll for week ending February 13th 2017 for \$9,133.00 were presented, approved and signed. Motion was made by Councilman Hoffman and seconded by Councilman Boggs and carried by unanimous vote 3-0.

Public Input-Jeremy Enyeart was here about a water leak he had in his basement on January 22nd in his basement and it is fixed, he will get with the office to find out the amount of adjustment and will be on February 28th 2017 meeting agenda. Karen Jordan wanted to publicly thank all of the Utility workers for what they do because they go above and beyond what they need to do for residents with problems.

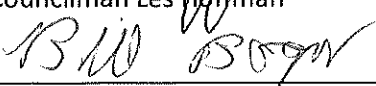
Motion to adjourn meeting at 8:12 PM was made by Councilman Hoffman, seconded by Councilman Boggs and carried by unanimous vote 3-0.



Council President Randy Cokl



Councilman Les Hoffman



Councilman Bill Boggs

ATTEST: Janet Howard
Clerk-Treasurer Janet Howard