SOUTH WHITLEY TOWN COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION MEETING MINUTES

TOWN HALL BOARD ROOM

118 E FRONT STREET

SOUTH WHITLEY, IN 46787

NOVEMER 9, 2021

6:30 PM

The South Whitley Town Council met in regular session on Tuesday, November 9, 2021 in the Town Hall

Board Room at 6:30 p.m. Those present were President Randy Cokl, Vice-President Les Hoffman, Councilman Brock Waterson, Attorney Gregg Hockemeyer, Town Marshal Mikel Vandevender, Utilities Supervisor Kent Slater and Clerk-Treasurer Pamela Hoffman.

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

NEW BUSINESS AUSTIN PEQUIGNOT – SEWAGE ADJUSTMENT $307.66 Motion made to approve by Councilman Hoffman, seconded by Councilman Waterson, carried by vote of 3-0.

 DLZ – 2021 CCMG PROF SVC THRU 10/15/2021 PAY REQ #5 - $479.50 Motion made to approve by Councilman Hoffman, seconded by Councilman Waterson, carried by vote of 3-0.

 MARK HARVEY IT CONSULTING AGREEMENT $380.00/month Motion made to approve by Councilman Hoffman, seconded by Councilman Waterson, carried by vote of 3-0.

OLD BUSINESS – TONY STARKEY – GREEN PARROT OFFER – Tony Starkey attended the meeting stating he would still like to offer the Parrot Building to the Town, but wanted assured that the back end of the adjacent Town Building (208 S State) would be torn down. He also asked what the Town’s intentions were for the Parrot building, to remodel or tear down. Council President Cokl stated this would be taken into consideration by the Board.

 WATER PROJECT – CULY CONTRACTING/TRIAD Josh Chapman from Triad Associates asked for approval for Culy Contract Change Order No.#1, $582,274.00. Motion to approve made by Councilman Waterson, seconded by Councilman Hoffman, carried by vote of 3-0.

 CULY CONTRACTING PAY APP#1 WATER MAINS PROJECT $275,949.00. Motion made to approve by Councilman Hoffman, seconded by Councilman Waterson, carried by vote of 3-0.

PUBLIC INPUT - Brad Nestel asked about the status of the property on South Randolph. Marshal Vandevender stated an ordinance violation was served a week ago Sunday. Weeds have been knocked down, vehicle area cleaned up. Possible litigation still pending by Health Department. Holes have been filled in without hooked up water lines per Kent Slater, Utilities Supervisor.

Dove Stasko captured a colony of cats behind the United Oil Station on Highway 14 and spayed and neutered 21 cats with the help of her husband and financially from friends. Their ears were notched and spaying and neutering by HOPE in Fort Wayne. The Manager and employees of United Oil feed the cats. Mike Stasko is building 9 shelters for the cats to stay in this winter. The Board expressed their gratitude for taking on this project. She also had an idea to recognize good deed doers in South Whitley, by submitting names to the Clerk’s office and add this recognition on the Town of South Whitley’s Face Book page. Clerk-Treasurer, Pam Hoffman, stated she would work on having a box and slips of paper to submit good deed doer entries. She also wanted to express her appreciation for the leaf pick-up by the street worker in town.

PARK BOARD – no attendance

DEPARTMENT HEADS:

TOWN MARSHAL – MIKEL VANDEVENDER – performed SWEARING IN JONETHON “GAGE” FANNIN as Deputy Marshal. Marshal Vandevender asked for approval to put Deputy Marshal Johnson on administrative work from 1/5/22 to 2/7/22 when the Tier 2 academy begins. Councilman Waterson made motion to approve, seconded by Council President Cokl, Councilman Hoffman wanted the option of trying to obtain the exemption. Carried by vote of 2-0, Councilman Hoffman abstaining. Marshal Vandevender also informed Board that the press in town is getting a hard time from the South Randolph resident.

UTILITIES SUPERVISOR – KENT SLATER – Kent reported that salt storage building is near completion. Decorations from Artistic Holiday Design are going up in town. There is a change in the State Road 14 Project with the sidewalks now stopping at the Wastewater Plant. DLZ Change order not complete yet with E & B Paving, will have the next council meeting. The new dump truck is almost completed from WA Jones & Son. Ottenweller additional work at the Wastewater Plant are still waiting for parts to begin.

TOWN ATTORNEY – GREGG HOCKEMEYER – nothing to add.

CLERK TREASURER – PAMELA HOFFMAN – Clerk Hoffman asked the Board to consider salary increases and bonuses for next meeting.

 APPROVAL FOR OCTOBER 2021 CASE RECONCILMENT were presented to council, approved and signed. Motion to approve made by Councilman Hoffman, seconded by Councilman Waterson, carried by vote of 3-0.

APPROVAL FOR OCTOBER 26th, 2021 REGULAR SESSION MEETING MINUTES were presented to council, approved and signed. Motion to approve made by Councilman Hoffman, seconded by Councilman Waterson, carried by vote 3-0.

 APPROVAL for APV’S TOTALING $154,243.41 were presented to council, approved and signed. Motion to approve made by Councilman Hoffman, seconded by Councilman Waterson, carried by vote of 3-0.

APPROVAL for PAYROLL WEEK ENDING NOVEMBER 1st, 2021, TOTALING $ 8,775.99 were presented to council, approved and signed. Motion to approve made by Councilman Hoffman, seconded by Councilman Waterson, carried by vote of 3-0.

APPROVAL for PAYROLL WEEK ENDING NOVEMBER 8th, 2021, TOTALING $9,092.60 were presented to council, approved and signed. Motion to approve made by Councilman Hoffman, seconded by Councilman Waterson, carried by vote of 3-0.

MOTION TO ADJOURN MEETING at 7:09 p.m., motion to adjourn made by Councilman Waterson, seconded by Councilman Hoffman, carried by a vote of 3-0.

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PRESIDENT, RANDY COKL

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VICE PRESIDENT, LES HOFFMAN

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 CLERK TREASURER PAMELA HOFFMAN

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COUNCILMAN, BROCK WATERSON