

SOUTH WHITLEY TOWN COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION MEETING MINUTES
TOWN HALL BOARD ROOM
118 E FRONT ST SOUTH WHITLEY, IN 46787
MARCH 8TH 2016 6:30 PM

The South Whitley Town Council met in regular session on Tuesday, March 8th 2016 at 6:30 PM in the Town Hall Board room. Those present were Council President Bill Boggs, Councilman Les Hoffman, Councilman Randy Cokl, Waste Water Operator Kent Slater, Town Marshal Mikel VanDevender, Attorney Gregory Hockemeyer and Clerk-Treasurer Janet Howard.

The meeting was called to order by President Bill Boggs at 6:30 PM and followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by the South Whitley Boy Scout Troop.

The minutes from the February 23rd 2016 Regular Session Meeting were approved. Motion was made by Councilman Hoffman and seconded by Councilman Cokl and carried by unanimous vote.

APV'S were presented for approval totaling \$159,721.00. Motion was made by Councilman Cokl and seconded by Councilman Hoffman and carried by unanimous vote.

Old Business – Library contract – Board member Deb Zawlocki was present and Councilman Boggs asked to terminate contract since we no longer have a need for the building. Deb asked that she would like someone from the council board to come to the March 10th Library board meeting to represent the town and Councilman Hoffman and Clerk Janet Howard will attend. Kent Slater informed Deb that everything that the town had in the building has been removed but Tony Starkey still had a table in there and was notified he needed to remove from building. Kent also stated that the light in the parking lot to the east of the library will be installed when weather permits and that the town had a light that would shine across the lot instead of the current one that points straight down.

Revision of the Holiday schedule in the Employee Manual was discussed and council board decided to change ½ day off on Christmas Eve and ½ day off on New Year's Eve to full day off for both. Councilman Hoffman said he would like to see more federal holidays recognized eventually and Councilman Cokl said we should reevaluate every October for changes. Funeral Policy was also discussed and council board decided to change policy for time off back to old policy. Motion to approve changes for Holiday and Funeral Policies made by Councilman Cokl and seconded by Councilman Hoffman and carried by unanimous vote.

Reader Board introduced by Town Trustee was tabled until next meeting. Mikel said he is still checking into somethings with Indot since it will be on state highway.

Sale of Water Utility – Councilman Boggs mentioned he would like to table until next meeting. Attorney Hockemeyer mentioned we are in a 30 window and this meeting would be considered 1st meeting. Tabled until next meeting.

Council Appointment for BZA – Councilman Boggs as President is appointing Tom Dome and asked that Doug Morrissey be considered for other opening. Motion made by Council Cokl to appoint Doug Morrissey to the BZA board and seconded by Councilman Boggs and carried by unanimous vote.

New Business – Attorney Hockemeyer asked the board to approve Amending Ordinance to Modify Various Provisions of the Sewer Use Ordinance. Pretreatment ordinance that certain industry using certain chemicals and how much of the chemicals can be present in sewer and how much has to be pretreated and testing requirements. It is approved by IDEM. Ordinance shall be effective when council approves and published in newspaper. This meeting would be considered first reading and the next

meeting would be considered the 2nd reading. Motion made by Councilman Hoffman to approve Amending Ordinance to Modify Various Provisions of the Sewer Use Ordinance No. 03-08-2016-01 and seconded by Councilman Cokl and carried by unanimous vote.

Park Board – Teresa said the Park board is working on the survey that was recommended by the YMCA and will be going out shortly. Meeting schedule has changed and will meet March 10th at 5:30 and March 24th at 5:30 PM.

Department Head

Town Marshal- Mikel said he is still working on getting in contact with Administrator from the National Museum of the USAF for the specs to paint the airplane. Gregg Hockemeyer mentioned he had some air force buddies he could get with about painting the plane. Mikel said they gave us a deadline of April 30th to have our plan of action to them. Mikel said he had two quotes for the security cameras (copies available) both companies have said they would be willing to come to a meeting and explain the quotes he also stated to the board if you decide not to go with new cameras that he wants to suggest to at least put a camera in the lobby of the clerk's office for protection and that the government is pushing to have cameras on water wells for protection against terrorism. Mikel said that SRO Officer Gilbert is at SRO school this week and he thinks Matt will work out great, he has been getting great praise from Scott Geist after training him for 2 days and others. Mikel presented a contract that needs signed to lock him in for a year. Mikel brought up Marshal Association puts on different training and there are grants out there that he his checking on to help cover this. Gregg suggested he could get pointers from WC EDC – Laurie Shipman to help. Council said if training is within the budget they have they have no problem with that. No vote needed if within Budget. Also looking for grants thru OCRA under Urban Development for purchasing new police car. Every three years is when new car is purchase and this would help if he can find grants. Mikel is getting a lot of complaints on junk and trash, he will get started on.

Waste Water – Kent said the generator at the plant is broke and is being repaired, this is under warranty. Still working on getting information on generator for clerk and Utility buildings. Kent wondered if they would be interested in switching Utility building to gas instead of electric because it is very costly in that old building. Board wants Kent to get numbers to see options and also to replace tornado sirens. Kent will get quotes with 3 phase and without and gas furnace. Kent said he will be going to Purdue tomorrow afternoon be attend class to be recertified ERC for INDOT project.

Clerk-Treasurer -Janet wanted to ask the board if they had a chance to look over the WC Joint Planning and Building Dept. Permit and Petition fee waiver policy that she sent them a couple of weeks ago and Councilman Boggs said he did look over and respond back to them. Councilman Boggs motion to up the staff wage for attending meeting from \$10.00 to \$20.00 and seconded by Councilman Cokl and carried unanimous vote.

Public Input – Boy Scout leader asked the town if they had any projects or work that needed done to contact them. They are working toward their strips. Kent said he will probably be able to find things for them to do.

Motion to adjourn meeting made by Councilman Hoffman at 7:10 PM.