

SOUTH WHITLEY TOWN COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION MEETING MINUTES  
TOWN HALL BOARD ROOM  
118 E FRONT ST  
SOUTH WHITLEY, IN 46787  
APRIL 9<sup>th</sup> 2019  
6:30 P.M.

The South Whitley Town Council met in regular session on Tuesday, April 9<sup>th</sup> 2019 in the Town Hall Board Room. Those present were Council President Randy Cokl, Councilman Les Hoffman, Councilman Brock Waterson, Marshal Mikel VanDevender, WasteWater/Kent Slater, Attorney Gregory Hockemeyer and Clerk-Treasurer Janet Howard.

Call to order at 6:30 P.M. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Council President asked everyone to take a moment of silence to remember Bill Boggs who recently passed away. Bill was on the Town Council from 2012 until October of 2018.

New Business- Jeff Scher from Ag Plus was present to ask for renewal of Tax Abatements. He mentioned that there are three different ones, one for personal property for the feed mill, one for real property for the feed mill and one for the grain bin. He stated that things are only well and have gained 17 new employees. Motion to approve Tax Abatements for Ag Plus was made by Councilman Hoffman, seconded by Councilman Waterson and carried by a vote of 3-0. Kent Slater presented the Community Crossing Bids for DLZ. First bid was from Brooks Construction for \$221,232.00, E & B Paving for \$197,812.75, Niblock for \$260,225.00 and Phend & Brown for \$289,714.70. The Community Crossing Grant is for First Street and Line Street and will also include some storm water improvements. Motion to award the bid to E & B Paving for the lowest bid of \$ 197,812.75 was made by Councilman Hoffman, seconded by Councilman Waterson and carried by a vote of 3-0. Motion to approve Ottenweller Contracting Pay App.# 5 totaling \$205,136.63 was made by Councilman Hoffman, seconded by Councilman Waterson and carried by a vote of 3-0. Motion to approve James Jackson Pay App. #13 totaling \$ 13,000.00 was made by Councilman Hoffman, seconded by Councilman Waterson and carried by a vote of 3-0. Motion to approve change order #3 for the Waterworks Improvements totaling \$3,375.00 was made by Councilman Hoffman, seconded by Councilman Waterson and carried by a vote of 3-0. Motion to approve invoice from Triad Associates for engineering services for waterworks improvements totaling \$ 11,000.00 was made by Councilman Hoffman, seconded by Councilman Waterson and carried by a vote of 3-0. Motion to approve Whitley County EDC Spring invoice totaling \$ 8,265.00 was made by Councilman Hoffman, seconded by Councilman Waterson and carried by a vote of 3-0. Motion to approve sewage adjustment for Tom Porter totaling \$ 283.02 was made by Councilman Waterson, seconded by Councilman Hoffman and carried by a vote of 3-0. Motion to approve request from Teresa Carrano for sponsoring a Port a Pot for the garage sale weekend up to \$75.00 was made by Councilman Hoffman, seconded by Councilman Waterson and carried by a vote of 3-0. Councilman Waterson asked Clerk Howard if Tommy's building could be bought and the price for it. Clerk Howard said it is for sale and the price is \$65,000.00 with the license. Councilman Waterson asked Attorney Hockemeyer legal question about employee having surgery and having two replacement knees after next surgery and job performance. Attorney Hockemeyer stated that if he would like to talk about it on a one to one basis that he would talk to him at another time.

Old Business- Motion to appoint Teresa Carrano as the new South Whitley Redevelopment Commission member to fill Tim Campbell seat was made by President Cokl, seconded by Councilman Hoffman and

carried by a vote of 3-0. No donation will be given to the Chalk Walk in Churubusco due to lack of motion.

Park Board-No one present

Waste Water Operator/Utility Supervisor Kent Slater – Mr. Slater mentioned that the Whitko Girls Tennis Coach, Calvin Sellers called him to see if the tennis team would be able to have a community day on April 20<sup>th</sup> to go around town and pick up trash that is in the streets and parks mainly. Council thought that was a great idea. Mr. Slater also commented that the construction at the Waste Water Plant is going well. Mr. Slater mentioned that this Friday, April 12<sup>th</sup> will be the walk through at the Graham Property and the deadline for the bids to be turned in is 6:30 PM on April 23<sup>rd</sup> 2019. There will be an executive meeting right after the regular meeting to discuss the bids and to move forward with the sale of the property.

Town Marshal Michael VanDevender – Marshal VanDevender let Council know that he would not be at the April 23<sup>rd</sup> 2019 Council meeting.

Town Attorney Gregg Hockemeyer- Attorney Hockemeyer stated that he was going to pursue different avenues on the lien holders of the Fulk property by request of Councilman Waterson.

Clerk-Treasurer Janet Howard- Nothing

March 2019 Depository and Cash Reconciliation was presented to Council, approved and signed. Motion to approve was made by Councilman Hoffman, seconded by Councilman Waterson and carried by a vote of 3-0.

March 26<sup>th</sup> 2019 Regular Session Minutes were presented to Council, approved and signed. Motion to approve was made by Councilman Waterson, seconded by President Cokl and carried by a vote of 2-0.

Prepaid APV'S totaling \$ 19,757.60 were presented to Council, approved and signed. Motion to approve was made by Councilman Hoffman, seconded by Councilman and carried by a vote of 3-0.

AVP's totaling \$ 23,901.26 were presented to Council, approved and signed. Motion to approve was made by Councilman Hoffman, seconded by Councilman Waterson and carried by a vote of 3-0.

Payroll Week ending April 1<sup>st</sup> 2019 totaling \$ 7,172.44 was presented to Council, approved and signed. Motion to approve was made by Councilman Hoffman, seconded by Councilman Waterson and carried by a vote of 3-0.

Payroll Week ending April 8<sup>th</sup> 2019 totaling \$ 8,242.55 was presented to Council, approved and signed. Motion to approve was made by Councilman Hoffman, seconded by Councilman Waterson and carried by a vote of 3-0.

Public Input – Nothing

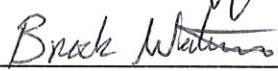
Motion to adjourn at 7:25 P.M. was made by Councilman Hoffman, seconded by President Cokl and carried by a vote of 3-0.

  
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Council President, Randy Cokl

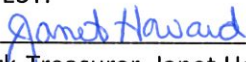
  
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Councilman, Les Hoffman

  
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Councilman, Brock Waterson

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Clerk-Treasurer, Janet Howard