SOUTH WHITLEY TOWN COUNCIL WORKSESSION MINUTES

TOWN HALL BOARD ROOM

**118 E FRONT STREET** 

SOUTH WHITLEY, IN 46787

NOVEMBER 9th, 2021

GENERAL WORKSESSION 5:30 PM

GENERAL WORKSESSION: The South Whitley Town Council met for the general worksession on November 9, 2021 at 5:30 p.m. in the Town Board Room. Present were Randy Cokl, President, Les Hoffman, Vice-President, Brock Waterson, Councilman, Mikel Vandevender, Town Marshal, Utilities Supervisor Kent Slater and Pamela Hoffman, Clerk-Treasurer.

WATER PROJECT –CULY CONTRACTING/ TRIAD – JOSH CHAPMAN. RON ANDERSON water superintendant and Josh Chapman attended the work session explaining the Water project will be over budget by \$200,000.00 due to sewer line found at Poplar Street and moving lines into the road from tree line on W Wayne St. Culy Contracting has agreed to a change order to take away some of the project to remain within the budget. There will be no main water lines between Main and Line St. on W Wayne St., which will take away money to cover moving lines into road from the Elementary School to Line Street. Ron also reported that the INDOT project on Main Street will hehlp make up the deficit for the water lines, laterals going to homes. A change order will be presented in the General Council meeting at 6:30 p.m. this evening by Josh Chapman.

MIKEL VANDEVENDER – TOWN MARSHAL – informed the council that Tim Johnson would be eligible for Tier 2 Academy, which will begin on February 7<sup>th</sup>, 2022. The problem is you have to sign up for the Academy within one year of employment, and Tim Johnson began employment with the Town on 1-5-2022. There are two options to make this Academy work: 1) Petition the Academy to make an exemption 2) Put Deputy Marshal Johnson on administrative duty only, for 1 month with no physical police work. Council will consider this in the General Council meeting at 6:30 p.m.

KENT SLATER – UTILITY SUPERVISOR – Informed Council that Artistic Holiday Design is offering several options for the Town during the Holiday season. Lighted Lanterns on every pole, Giant Lighted Cupcake in bank grass lot, Lighted Carousel and Frozen Bench in the LeBrun Gateway Park and possibly two lighted angels to be placed on the bridge entering into Town on Highway 5.

RANDY COKL, COUNCIL PRESIDENT, encouraged businesses to decorate their storefronts for Christmas. He is showing movies in the East Room on Saturday evenings at 7:00 p.m. in November. Nov.13-Chicken Run and Nov.20 – Hoosiers. Moyer's Construction started working on Tanner Moyer's building on Monday, November 8, 2021.

CLERK-TREASURER – PAM HOFFMAN asked the Board to consider salary increase for employees and bonuses for this year. The Town's health insurance with Aim Medical Trust decreased premiums by 6% in 2022.

No further discussion, the work session was closed at 6:04 p.m.

Randy Cokl, President

Les Hoffman, Vice-President

Brock Waterson, Councilman

ATTEST:

Pamela Hoffman, Clerk-Treasurer

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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SOUTH WHITLEY TOWN COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION MEETING MINUTES TOWN HALL BOARD ROOM 118 E FRONT STREET SOUTH WHITLEY, IN 46787

NOVEMER 23, 2021 6:30 PM

The South Whitley Town Council met in regular session on Tuesday, November 23, 2021 in the Town Hall Board Room at 6:30 p.m. Those present were Vice-President Les Hoffman, Councilman Brock Waterson, Attorney Gregg Hockemeyer, Town Marshal Mikel Vandevender and Clerk-Treasurer Pamela Hoffman. Absent, President Randy Cok).

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

NEW BUSINESS PAM ROLLINS – SEWAGE ADJUSTMENT \$106.76 Motion made to approve by Councilman Waterson, seconded by Councilman Hoffman, carried by vote of 2-0.

GREGG HOCKEMEYER – EMPLOYMENT CONTRACT ATTORNEY SVCS – Motion made to approve by Councilman Waterson, seconded by Councilman Hoffman, carried by vote of 2-0.

DONOHUE – COMP PLAN PHASE A ADDT'L TASKS INV#13868-10 \$695.00 Motion made to approve by Councilman Waterson, seconded by Councilman Hoffman, carried by vote of 2-0.

OLD BUSINESS — TONY STARKEY – GREEN PARROT OFFER – Tony Starkey attended the meeting asking if anything has been decided with the Town Building and the offer of the Green Parrot. It was decided to meet with Councilman Waterson, then have an executive session with the Board to talk about options offered by Tony Starkey.

DLZ – CHANGE ORDER E & B PAVING CCMG PAVING PROJECT – Kent Slater informed Clerk Hoffman that the change order was not complete, should be ready for next meeting in December.

PUBLIC INPUT - Karen Jordan and John Phillips both thought the Board should consider Tony's offer,

PARK BOARD – no attendance DEPARTMENT HEADS:

TOWN MARSHAL – MIKEL VANDEVENDER – Deputy Marshal Gage Fannin will be working on his own on December 1<sup>st</sup>. Deputy Marshal Rob Lysaght will be graduating from the Academy on December 9<sup>th</sup> and will need to sign a contract once he has returned from training.

UTILITIES SUPERVISOR - KENT SLATER - absent

TOWN ATTORNEY - GREGG HOCKEMEYER - nothing to add.

CLERK TREASURER – PAMELA HOFFMAN – nothing to add.

APPROVAL FOR NOVEMBER 9<sup>th</sup>, 2021 WORK SESSION MINUTES were presented to council, approved and signed. Motion to approve made by Councilman Waterson, seconded by Councilman Hoffman, carried by vote of 2-0.

APPROVAL FOR NOVEMBER 9th, 2021 REGULAR SESSION MEETING MINUTES were presented to council, approved and signed. Motion to approve made by Councilman Waterson, seconded by Councilman Hoffman carried by vote 2-0.

APPROVAL for APV'S TOTALING \$209,792.25 were presented to council, approved and signed. Motion to approve made by Councilman Waterson seconded by Councilman Hoffman carried by vote of 2-0.

APPROVAL for PAYROLL WEEK ENDING NOVEMBER 15th, 2021, TOTALING \$ 10,232.73 were presented to council, approved and signed. Motion to approve made by Councilman Waterson, seconded by Councilman Hoffman, carried by vote of 2-0.

APPROVAL for PAYROLL WEEK ENDING NOVEMBER 22nd, 2021, TOTALING \$9,552.47 were presented to council, approved and signed. Motion to approve made by Councilman Waterson, seconded by Councilman Hoffman, carried by vote of 2-0.

MOTION TO ADJOURN MEETING at 6:53 p.m., motion to adjourn made by Councilman Waterson, seconded by Councilman Hoffman, carried by a vote of 2-0.

PRESIDENT, RANDY COKL

ATTEST:

COUNCILMAN, BROCK WATERSON