

ANDREWS TOWN COUNCIL
MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING HELD JULY 23, 2015

A special public meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Andrews, Indiana convened on Thursday July 23 at 1:00 p.m. in the Andrews Municipal Building in accordance with applicable law and pursuant to appropriate notice.

ROLL CALL:

Council Members Raymond Tackett and John Harshbarger were present. Council President Rohler was not present. Clerk-Treasurer William Johnson declared a quorum was present and that the meeting would continue.

NEW BUSINESS:

Clerk-Treasurer Bill Johnson started the meeting by reviewing his proposed budget with the Council. Johnson's proposed budget has been decreased from \$181,200 to \$134,800. Johnson stated that he was very conservative in his estimates with the purpose of addressing the Towns high tax rate.

Fire Chief Tom Wuensch revealed his 2016 budget that included monies for a truck replacement and additional fire gear. The Chief raised his budget from the \$136,210 to \$170,000. Mr.Wuensch also expressed an interest in obtaining property tax income for his department. The Clerk-Treasurer explained that at the present time the department is nearly self-sufficient.

Town Marshall Juillerat proposed a \$163,500 budget for his department next year. The request was similar to last year's budget of \$161,710. Juillerat questioned why the encumbrance he requested from last year's budget to pay for a new police car this year was not done. Clerk-Treasurer Johnson explained that the 2015 had money in it for the new police car and therefore he did not think it was necessary to encumber funding for the vehicle.

The Clerk-Treasurer presented the MVH budget as the utility superintendent was not present. The department has also reduced last year's budget as they amount requested for operations has fallen from \$207,150 to \$183,250.

Council will review all the proposed budget requests before advising the Clerk.

Meeting was adjourned at 2:10pm.

APPROVED BY _____ as
MICHAEL ROHLER COUNCIL PRESIDENT

APPROVED BY _____ as
JOHN HARSHBARGER COUNCIL MEMBER

APPROVED BY _____ as
RAYMOND TACKETT COUNCIL MEMBER

ATTEST BY _____ as
WILLIAM K. JOHNSON CLERK-TREASURER