

ANDREWS TOWN COUNCIL  
MINUTES OF PUBLIC MEETING HELD APRIL 11, 2016

A public meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Andrews, Indiana convened on April 11, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. in the Andrews Municipal Building in accordance with applicable law and pursuant to appropriate notice.

**ROLL CALL:**

Council Members John Harshbarger, Bonnie Walker and William Johnson were present. Clerk-Treasurer Laura Dillon declared a quorum was present and the meeting would continue.

**APPROVAL OF PRIOR MINUTES:**

Council unanimously approved the minutes of the regular meeting on March 28, 2016. Approved minutes were signed.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Steven Brock presented council with a preliminary financial statement of the current rate study for both Water and Wastewater. The target fee for Wastewater to receive the State Revolving Loan is \$65.00 per user for 4000 gallons of water. Brock also talked about keeping the sewer dumping fee for customers that bring in sewage to dump. Brock again presented the Water Utility. The residential billing schedule presented is a projection based on operating data contained in the financial records of the utilities. Council member Johnson indicated the water rates could be increased to the minimum in order to receive the OCRA grant. The first project to be done would be the wastewater project because of the urgency with IDEM. Council member Johnson made a motion to notified Norwood Water and Sewer District of a proposed rate increase. Seconded by Bonnie Walker motion passed unanimously.

Jim McNulty from Strand and Associates told council the funds for the OCRA grant would have to be spent in eighteen (18) months. There will be many modifications as we go along with the project. The State Revolving Fund is currently reviewing the project.

Harshbarger reminded residents of Spring Cleanup on Friday, May 6, 2016.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Dillon introduced Ordinance 2016-1 for review. An ordinance to amend the 2016 Salary Ordinance 2015-3 passed December 28, 2015. Changes include some of the dates as well as rates of pay for the Deputy Clerk-Treasurer, Town Marshall and Deputy Marshall. Johnson instructed Dillon to include a retirement benefit into the ordinance for an IRA for anyone not covered under the INPRS system. Council would like to review the ordinance and discuss at the April 25, 2016 meeting.

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

Austin Bullock, Town Marshall informed council he is ready to start issuing e-tickets and gun permits as soon as the State of Indiana releases the licensing requirements to him. He requested to purchase a new light bar for the blue Crown Victoria the Deputy Marshal will be driving. Council told Bullock to order the proper lights for the vehicle. Golf carts are being registered for on the road driving.

The Fire Department will have their annual fund raiser on April 23, 2016 at Bernie's Sports Bar.

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Colin Bullock, Utility Superintendent reported he will be cutting trees and continue to repair and replace items at the sewer plant.

**GENERAL BUSINESS:**

No comments for general business.

**CLAIMS**

All claims were presented and approved by council by a unanimous voice vote after a brief discussion.

William Johnson made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:33 p.m. Second by Bonnie Walker motion passed unanimously.

APPROVED BY \_\_\_\_\_ as  
JOHN HARSHBARGER      COUNCIL PRESIDENT

APPROVED BY \_\_\_\_\_ as  
BONNIE WALKER      COUNCIL MEMBER

APPROVED BY \_\_\_\_\_ as  
WILLIAM JOHNSON      COUNCIL MEMBER

ATTEST BY \_\_\_\_\_ as  
LAURA A DILLON      CLERK-TREASURER