

ANDREWS TOWN COUNCIL  
MINUTES OF PUBLIC MEETING HELD OCTOBER 28, 2013

A public meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Andrews, Indiana convened on Monday October 28, 2013 at 6:00 p.m. in the Andrews Municipal Building in accordance with applicable law and pursuant to appropriate notice.

**ROLL CALL:**

Council Members Raymond Tackett, Michael Rohler and John Harshbarger were present. Clerk-Treasurer William Johnson declared a quorum was present and that the meeting would continue.

**APPROVAL OF PRIOR MINUTES:**

Council approved the minutes of the regular meeting on October 15, 2013 and the executive session minutes of October 25, 2013 without any amendments or changes by unanimous voice vote. Minutes signed.

**GENERAL BUSINESS:**

Cathy Johnson, representing the Summer Festival Committee, updated the Council on a fund raiser that the group will be conducting on Saturday November 2, 2013. She asked Council to sponsor the "bounce house" which will cost around \$125. Council Member Rohler made a motion to approve the request which was seconded and approved by a unanimous voice vote.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Council discussed the situation at 760 North Colorado Street. The property was severely damaged by fire and the homeowner is attempting to clean up the property on her own. However, those efforts fall short of the Town's property maintenance requirements. As Council had previously tabled the bids for the work at its last meeting, Council Members asked the Clerk-Treasurer to determine if the low bid on the project could be amended or do we need new bids. The Clerk-Treasurer will seek advice from the Town's legal counsel for the answer. Clerk-Treasurer Bill Johnson updated Council on the status of the other building issues.

Rick Wright of RLW Enterprises led a discussion on the electrical project that the Town is undertaking at the end of Terrell Street to provide electricity to the out buildings that are located on the Town's property. Council approved the request by Mr. Wright to begin the process of completing the task.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Council President Harshbarger introduced Resolution 2013-7, a Capital Improvement Plan for the Town of Andrews. As explained by Clerk-Treasurer Bill Johnson, the Plan outlines the Town's plan for use of CEDIT fund during the next two years. Johnson stated that the plan is dynamic in nature to allow for changes as future situations are presented. Council Member

Rohler made a motion to adopt Resolution 2013-7, which was seconded by Council Member Tackett and approved by a unanimous voice vote. Resolution signed.

Clerk-Treasurer Johnson stated that Dave Hacker has requested that the Town appoint a representative to the Norwood Regional Water and Sewage District. It is Mr. Hacker's hope that Council will consider reappointing its current representative, Chris Urschel, to another term. Council expressed some desire to have a resident of the Town represent the Town on that Board. Council tabled the request pending receipt of further information from Mr. Hacker.

### **DEPARTMENT REPORTS:**

Marshal Curt VanOver informed Council that he has contacted several agencies concerning the property on West McKeever Street. Council President appointed the Marshal as the nuisance officer replacing the utility superintendent in that position.

Fire Chief Tom Wuensch was not present.

Clerk-Treasurer Bill Johnson reminded all members of the upcoming WHARMM meeting on November 14. Johnson also presented the letter to the Office of Community and Rural Development to begin the planning grant process. Johnson also informed Council of the need of all employees and Council Members to undergo hazard chemical training. He stated that Bob Davidson of Downey Insurance would come to Town to present the training.

Utility Superintendent Bullock presented Council with a quote from Craig Martz Construction to repair several sidewalks in Town. Council Member Tackett stated that the sidewalks which were damaged by the removal of trees this summer should be repaired before winter. Council Member Tackett made a motion to accept the bid from Martz Construction, with Council Member Rohler seconding the motion which was approved by a unanimous voice vote.

### **CLAIMS:**

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

### **OTHER BUSINESS:**

David Hacker of the Norwood Regional Water and Sewage District addressed the Council on the need of having a qualified person sit on his board. Mr. Hacker stated that whomever the Council decides to select needs to understand the importance of the board with attendance and knowledge of the issues as a must for anyone who might consider sitting on the board.

Michael Vieau of 344 North Main Street expressed some concern over speeding cars on North Main Street and asked the Council to inquire with the State Highway Department about making the street a non-passing zone.

Without any other business, Council adjourned the meeting at 7:23 p.m.

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

APPROVED BY \_\_\_\_\_ as  
MICHAEL ROHLER      COUNCIL VICE PRESIDENT

APPROVED BY \_\_\_\_\_ as  
RAYMOND TACKETT      COUNCIL MEMBER

ATTEST BY \_\_\_\_\_ as  
WILLIAM K. JOHNSON      CLERK-TREASURER