

ANDREWS TOWN COUNCIL
MINUTES OF PUBLIC MEETING HELD APRIL 28, 2014

A public meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Andrews, Indiana convened on Monday April 28, 2014 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. Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Sarah Geiger declared a quorum was present and that the meeting would continue.

APPROVAL OF PRIOR MINUTES:

Council approved the minutes of the regular meeting on April 14, 2014. The approved minutes were signed.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Council will hold an executive session on Friday, May 2, 2014 at 1:00 p.m. in council chamber. Sarah Geiger will contact Mike Hartburg in regards to the meeting on Friday.

Council Member Harshbarger inquired about spring cleanup for Vernon Manor Mobile Home Park. Clerk Geiger informed members that Waste Management would pick up at Vernon Manor for a fee of \$650.00. The manager of the mobile home park declined the service for the extra pick up. The Clerk's office will print a flyer and Ray Tackett will distribute flyer to each resident in the park informing them the Town will not be providing spring cleanup.

OLD BUSINESS:

Council did receive a draft of the rating scale for the planning grant study for the two finalists. Strand Associates did receive the most points. They responded with a draft proposal that can be edited. There were some fees and scopes of services that raised questions with Council Members. Council Member Harshbarger talked with Ross Pietrzak, Region 3-A Grant Administrator, he indicated this proposal to be normal and could be negotiated for services and fees. The next process would be for Council to review the scope of the project and decide on items that would be needed then set a meeting with Strand.

Cathy Gamble, representing the Andrews Summer Festival, asked Council to be a sponsor for the Culpepper & Merriweather circus to be scheduled in June. The fee of \$290.00 is for the initial booking, printing of tickets and poster to be distributed. It is important to initiate a mass media campaign in order to sell as many advance tickets as possible. Advance ticket sales are the only monies made for the fund raiser. Adult advance tickets are \$10.00 and children's age 2 through 12 are \$6.00. The circus will be held in the empty lot off of Terrell Street. Colin Bullock, Superintendent of Utilities will make sure that he works with committee members so water and other miscellaneous supplies can be provided for the circus. Council Member Tackett suggested the banners for the Summer Festival be taken to Signs, Inc. in order to be changed for the appropriate date. Town Marshal Curt Van Over and committee members Cathy Gamble and Kelly Williams met with Indiana Department of Excise to discuss the legality of the restaurants

in Town serving alcohol beverages. The committee will work with the restaurants regarding the correct permits that need to be filed with the state. There will be a teen dance on Friday night at the community building stated Chase Stephan.

NEW BUSINESS:

Ordinance 2014-2, to amend Town Code Section 34.5(C) relating to the expenditures of public funds, was read in its entirety. Council Member Tackett moved, second by John Harshbarger, for its adoption. Motion passed unanimously. Motion by Ray Tackett to suspend the rules and read for the second time, seconded by Harshbarger. Motion passed unanimously. Council Member Harshbarger moved to pass Ordinance 2014-2, seconded by Tackett. Motion passed unanimously. Ordinance 2014-2 was signed.

Laura Dillon asked Council if it had any use for the unused chairs in the basement, stating the Andrews-Dallas Township Public Library could use the chairs for its new building. There are six cloth covered chairs and one leather chair. Council agreed to give the chairs to library since they were not being used.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Town Marshal VanOver discussed working with the festival committee and the Alcoholic Beverage Commission. VanOver suggested an ordinance to cover issues with alcoholic beverages, patrons wearing no shirts and animals at festival events stating an ordinance would be the only way to have any arresting power. Council's thoughts were not in favor of an ordinance for fear of over-governing festival events. Marshal VanOver is still collecting applications for the reserve police force. Council Member Tackett asked VanOver how many patrols were made around Town on a regular basis. VanOver complied with Council to increase regular patrols since summer is soon approaching.

Firefighter Michael Young announced that the Fire Department will have a tenderloin fry on Saturday, May 3, 2014 at the Fire Department from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. He also updated Council on the status of the applications for firefighter's being put on Department as we move forward with servicing portions of Huntington Township. Young stated that the Department needs more applicants who can work the day shift. Council Member Rohler asked how many runs have been made to Huntington Township since the transition was made on April 15th. Rohler requested run updates on the new area as well as getting information on total runs, separated between all three territories. The new air compressor has been delivered and installed at the Fire Department.

Council Member Tackett talked with Gary Williams for INDOT regarding the metal art and tree line on the north side of State Road 105 and how they intend to clear the area. There has been no return communication from INDOT.

Utility Superintendent Bullock is working on prices for paving certain streets. His department is working on repairs to homeowner's property from the harsh winter. Rohler asked if Colin could present a draft of the projects he has on schedule for the summer and fall so Council knows what they are working on. Concrete projects are ongoing and a slab will be poured for the building at the wastewater treatment plant. Colin will be working on the stage for the festival and other

festival items. Rohler informed Colin to keep records on the repairs of any items the old Western Days committee owns. Estimates for a used pickup truck are between \$18,000 and \$21,000. No action was taken on a truck. Council Member Tackett wants all non-working equipment replaced this year, such as trucks and mowers. Tackett requested stone in the alley off Jefferson Street.

Sarah Geiger mentioned a large water bill for William Mongold at 423 N Market Street and Rohler suggested an adjustment sheet to be brought before Council at its next meeting.

There was a brief discussion on the bidding process and progress for the new town barn. Colin stated attorney, Mike Hartburg is working on the project.

Chase Stephan asked if the Community Building could have some repairs to upgrade the building. Council Member Tackett is working on a list of items that need repaired or replaced.

CLAIMS:

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

Without any other business, Council adjourned the meeting at 7:15 p.m.

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