

ANDREWS TOWN COUNCIL  
MINUTES OF PUBLIC MEETING HELD MARCH 23, 2015

A public meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Andrews, Indiana convened on Monday, March 23, 2015 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, John Harshbarger and Michael Rohler were present. Clerk-Treasurer Bill Johnson declared a quorum was present and that the meeting would continue.

**APPROVAL OF PRIOR MINUTES:**

Council unanimously approved the minutes of the regular meeting on March 9, 2015. Approved minutes were signed.

**GENERAL BUSINESS:**

Council President Rohler inquired about the IACT Medical Trust. The Clerk-Treasurer responded that he is leaning more toward options under the Affordable Care Act than the policy under the IACT program.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Council President Rohler announced that the meeting on the planning grant is now scheduled for April 27. The Clerk-Treasurer stated that he and the Utility Superintendent had met with the engineers earlier in the day to finalize some specifics and numbers on the project.

There was no update on the property at 21 S Maple so the item was tabled until the next meeting. Council member Harshbarger stated that the Town needed to contact the owner of the burned property at the end of Hendricks Street to determine what he was going to do with it.

The Clerk-Treasurer announced that the Town's annual spring clean-up date will be Friday May 1. Residents should have all accepted items available to be picked up on the curb of the residence. Once the provider has passed that location, they will not be back.

Council President Rohler reintroduced Ordinance 2015-1 for second read, an Ordinance to Repeal and Replace Section 917: Flood Area Overlay District (FHA) of the Town of Andrews, Indiana Zoning Ordinance. Council member Harshbarger made a motion to accept the Ordinance which was seconded by Council member Tackett. The Ordinance was adopted by a unanimous roll call vote and signed.

Cathy Johnson, representing the Andrews Festival Committee, initiated a discussion on a new town stage in the old Millers lot. After a lengthy discussion, the prevailing thought focused on a temporary stage that could be moved on an as needed basis. There was some concern expressed over environmental issues as the site was once an old gas station. The Council will look at all options to hopefully have something for the Committee within a short period of time. Council approved providing \$500 toward the purchase of banners for the festival.

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS:**

Council approved the Town Marshals request for the purchase of new tasers.

Fire Chief Tom Wuensch was not in attendance.

Clerk-Treasurer Bill Johnson initiated a conversation on possible legislative changes that may affect the Town. Some of the bills making their way through the legislature include standardized training for volunteer firemen and insurance for reserve police officers. Council President Rohler instructed the Clerk-Treasurer to notify the Fire Department that he would like to have a draft of an agreement with the Town by its next meeting.

Utility Superintendent Bullock stated that the repairs to the Sewer Vac truck were almost completed with the unit expected to be ready for use within the week.

**CLAIMS:**

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

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

Council President Rohler stated that he would contact the Indiana Department of Transportation to determine if any additional lighting could be installed from US 24 to the new bridge.

Without any other business, Council adjourned at 6:56 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