

ANDREWS TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES  
OF PUBLIC MEETING HELD JULY 25, 2016

A public meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Andrews, Indiana convened on July 25, 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. Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Laury Powell declared a quorum was present and the meeting would continue.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Bonnie Walker made a motion to approve the council minutes for the meetings of June 11, 2016, seconded by William Johnson. Motion passes unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

The geotechnical service contract was discussed but tabled for more information. Quotes should be received before the August 8<sup>th</sup> council meeting. The scope of services will include ten (10) borings at the construction site of the new wastewater treatment plant.

The asset management plan was presented to council by Jay Stankiewicz of Jones Petrie Rafinski. The actual plan itself is done based on the need for improvements to roadways for the town. The final applications should go to the State of Indiana on or before Friday, July 30<sup>th</sup>. After reviewing the Asset Management Plan council members decided on a number of projects that will be submitted for the LTAP grant (50/50). Once the town has been selected to receive LTAP grant monies the town will then get quotes from contractors, select a contractor, sign a contract then submit to the State for payment. The monies will have to be spent by June of 2017. There will be another round of LTAP grant money in January of 2017 which the town will reapply for funds.

The Town Hall and Fire Department generators were discussed. After looking over the quotes, council thought the quotes were not adequate for the buildings. Council and a representative from the fire department will need to be with the contractors to go over the specifications, especially for the fire department building. Harshbarger suggested council table the generator contract until further research of the system.

The Town of Andrews was not selected for the State Revolving Loan and OCRA funding. The town will move forward with reapplying for the State Revolving Loan and OCRA grant in the second round of 2016. Jim McNulty stated we need to be ready with the application and various paperwork in order to move forward in case we are selected for grant monies and SRL. Bonnie Walker made a motion to continue on the engineering portion of the Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvement Project. Seconded by William Johnson, motion passes unanimously.

The agreement between the town and HUCED for access to real estate owned by Andrews to engage in an environmental assessment and testing services has run into a snag because of wording in the agreement. The access agreement will be tabled at this time.

Adopt-A-Ramp project at the 105 bridge over the Wabash River has now been turned over to the Division of Fish and Wildlife Department of the State of Indiana. They are looking to develop a canoe/kayak launch site and the entire portion of the proposed project would fall on the state owned right of way. Several emails were sent to Clerk-Treasurer Dillon from William Seegers,

Public Access Supervisor that the site will be funded 100% and permitted by the state. They will be putting in a handicapped ramp, a ramp into the water and a parking area. No timeline has been set for the project at this point.

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Council brought up the broken paddle wheel at the wastewater treatment plant. The plant is currently not functioning and the wheel needs to be replaced because we are not getting enough oxygen in the system. Colin Bullock found a used replacement paddle wheel at the Town of Milford for \$3,000.00 and is working with attorney Mike Hartburg and Milford’s attorney to purchase the part.

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

Matt Farthing, Deputy Marshall discussed the Spillman 911 computer system. The county commissioners want to move forward with the new system quickly and the Town of Andrews need to write a letter to the Huntington County Commissioners informing them of Andrews’s intent to fund the 911 system. The Town of Andrews share would be \$11,416.45. The clerk-treasurer’s office will check the amount with the commissioner’s secretary and write a letter.

Firefighter Dean Young stated the department had some equipment problems with the radios and television from a storm last week. Harshbarger reported the tanker sitting on Terrell Street need and new chaise. Council suggested that no quotes have been researched at this time and to move forward getting three quotes.

Laury Powell stated the new wastewater rates are in the billing system and have been tested to move ahead with the bills generated on August 1, 2016. The new water rates will be in place for the October 1 deadline to bill. Earlier this year, Clerk-Treasurer Dillon applied for a grant with Norfolk and Southern Railroad for equipment for the fire department. The railroad did approve \$1,000.00.

American Legal Publishing sent an invoice for \$495.00 for the online access of the Andrews code of ordinance. William Johnson made a motion to move forward with the purchase of the online access for the code of ordinances. Seconded by Bonnie Walker, motion passes unanimously.

Bonnie Walker made a motion to approved accounts payable claims, seconded by William Johnson. Motion passes with a unanimous voice vote.

John Harshbarger asked Roger Newsome about the signage for closing State Road 105 to semi traffic during the Andrews Summer Festival. Newsome stated the closing have been discussed with the state and the traffic will be rerouted at State Road 124 to SR5 and SR13.

Helen Goble from the Andrews Lions Club came before council to request \$150.00 as a donation for payment to the Andrews Summer Festival parade winners. William Johnson made a motion to give the Andrews Loins Club \$150.00, seconded by Bonnie Walker. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

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