

**ANDREWS TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES
OF PUBLIC MEETING HELD MAY 22, 2017**

A public meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Andrews, Indiana convened on May 22, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. in the Andrews Municipal Building in accordance with applicable law and pursuant to appropriate notice.

ROLL CALL:

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

APPROVAL OF COUNCIL MINUTES

Bonnie Walker made a motion to approve the council minutes for the meetings of May 8th, 2017 with changes noted, seconded by John Harshbarger. Motion passes unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

The temporary house application for 821 N Market Street was discussed. Phillip and Mary Graves presented the board with a temporary house application requesting to place a recreational vehicle at 821 N Market Street. After looking at the completed application John Harshbarger made a motion to accept the Temporary Housing Application, seconded by Bonnie Walker. Motion passes unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

The board was presented with a General Service Agreement from Jones, Petrie and Rafinski. This would serve a multitude of engineering options such as funding, preparing design plans, and professional services with water, wastewater, architecture, landscape architecture, utility management for the best interest of the Town. JPR has been instrumental in securing the 2016 Community Crossing Paving Grant from the State of Indiana. After much discussion, council asked Dillon to send the agreement to attorney Mike Hartburg for review. The agreement is to be put on the agenda for the June 12, 2017 meeting after consultation with Hartburg. Resident Rick Wright asked why the edges of the streets are crumbling away on certain streets. Colin Bullock added many of the streets do not have curbing which would keep this from happening.

Council announced the public hearing on Ordinance 2017-8 would be postponed until May 30, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. The Ordinance was re-advertised due to changes with the rates and information from financial advisor Steve Brock. The total financing from State Revolving Loan increased by an additional amount of \$525,000. The total of the construction bids and all alternatives bring the project to \$5,782,000.00. We have an OCRA grant amount of \$550,000.00 and SRF grant of \$1,525,000.00. The State Revolving Loan agreed to extend the loan term to 22 years and has a 2.0% fixed interest rate. This makes the user fee at 4000 gallon of water usage \$73.28 (down from the original Ordinance amount of \$80.12). Steve Brock will be at the May 30, 2017 meeting to explain the new sewer rates to the public.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Marshall Austin Bullock report he finished river rescue training. Bullock asked the board if he could volunteer for the county sheriff's Camp Hero the week of June 5th. Council agreed with the request.

Firefighter Jay Rhoades reported they had a great tenderloin fundraiser. Andrews Lahmon has been put on the fire roster.

Colin Bullock, Utility Superintendent reported to board members they have been installing swing sets and will be replacing the concrete and updating the landscaping at the town park. Hydrant flushing will begin the week after Memorial Day.

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Rick Wright commended the town employees for the work they have done at the town park. Colin and staff will be continuing to finish work on Star Street and Leedy Lane. Work will be continued of the Jefferson Street lift station as the wiring needs attention. Bullock asked residents to let him know of trash, tall grass or other ordinance violations so his department can address the issues.

Clerk-Treasurer Dillon reported there is a budget meeting on June 7th in Fort Wayne. William Johnson and Dillon will attend. She also reported to the board that 21 Maple Street will soon be under a minimum housing order from Huntington County Community Development. In other business Dillon told the board she had received a letter from Stantec regarding additional remediation work to be done at the Town Hall. Council told Dillon to coordinate an executive session with Mike Hartburg in the next two weeks to discuss contamination issues.

Bonnie Walker made a motion to approve the claims as presented, seconded by John Harshbarger. Motion passed unanimously.

John Harshbarger made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Bonnie Walker.

Approved this 12nd day of June, 2017.

APPROVED BY _____ as
WILLIAM K JOHNSON COUNCIL PRESIDENT

APPROVED BY _____ as
BONNIE WALKER COUNCIL MEMBER

APPROVED BY _____ as
JOHN HARSHBARGER COUNCIL MEMBER

ATTEST BY _____ as
LAURA A DILLON CLERK-TREASURER