

**ANDREWS TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES
OF PUBLIC MEETING HELD NOVEMBER 28, 2016**

A public meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Andrews, Indiana convened on November 28, 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. 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 meeting of November 14th and November 17th, 2016, seconded by William Johnson. Motion passes unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

Replacement of the board member at Norwood Regional Water & Sewer District was discussed. Clerk-Treasurer Dillon gave a list of names to council for review. Harshbarger preferred a resident of Andrews be on the board. The term will expire December 31, 2016.

The town received an email today from IDEM regarding an application necessary for the agreed order. The application is a recap of the projects the town will perform in order to reduce the \$18,000.00 fine. The town will complete the application and return to IDEM in the next few days. This is the first notification an application would need to be completed.

Ordinance 2016-11, the 2017 Salary Ordinance was discussed. Dillon asked told council the increase for 2017 was 3% for most employees. There was discussion to keep board member's salaries at the 2016 rate of \$4,800.00. Ordinance 2016-11, 2017 Salary Ordinance was read. William Johnson made a motion that Ordinance 2016-11 be approved on the first reading with the understanding that the Deputy Marshall's salary will be \$35,000.00 for 2017 until he completes his training at the academy, seconded by Bonnie Walker motion passed unanimously. William Johnson made a motion to waive the rule and allow for a second read at the same meeting of Ordinance 2016-11, seconded by Bonnie Walker motion passed unanimously. William Johnson made a motion that Ordinance 2016-11 be approved on the second reading with the understanding that the Deputy Marshall's 2017 salary will be \$35,000.00 until he completes his training at the academy, seconded by Bonnie Walker motion passed unanimously. William Johnson made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2016-11, 2017 Salary Ordinance with the understanding that the Deputy Marshall's 2017 salary be \$35,000.00 until he completes his training at the academy, seconded by Bonnie Walker motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Harshbarger announced the council is establishing a Redevelopment Commission in order to research the possibility of acquiring real estate to develop. The commission is a six member board, three members plus an appointment from the Huntington County School Board will be chosen by the president of council and two additional members by the entire council. Bonnie Walker suggested Tim Allen as the school board member and will contact him before the December 12, 2016 meeting. One member will be William Johnson, as he serves on the Huntington County Economic Development Board, Clerk-Treasurer Dillon will serve as the secretary of the board. Council is currently looking for residents to serve. Council will continue to research and possibly introduce paperwork at a future meeting.

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DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Marshall Austin Bullock reported on December 15, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. there will be Narcan training for any public safety officer that wants to attend. Bullock asked council if he can start purchasing equipment for the new police vehicle. Dillon and Bullock will research the budget to see if the purchases can be made from the 2016 budget.

Firefighter Dean Young told council the second reimbursement has been made to the fire department for the loss of radios and lightening damage of other equipment.

Utility Superintendent Bullock announced he has a few trees to cut down and continues to repair the wastewater treatment plant. John Harshbarger asked Bullock about the Vectren bill that services the old town barn. Bullock will call to discontinue the service as it is no longer needed.

Clerk-Treasurer Dillon reminded council that the lap top will be setup in council chambers to view the Internal Control video for the State Board of Accounts this week. All employees will need to complete the training by December 31, 2016 in order to be in compliance for the annual report.

William Johnson made a motion to approve the claims as presented, seconded by Bonnie Walker motion passed unanimously.

William Johnson made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Bonnie Walker.

APPROVED BY _____ as
JOHN HARSHBARGER COUNCIL PRESIDENT

APPROVED BY _____ as
BONNIE WALKER COUNCIL MEMBER

APPROVED BY _____ as
WILLIAM K JOHNSON COUNCIL MEMBER

ATTEST BY _____ as
LAURA A DILLON CLERK-TREASURER