

**ANDREWS TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES
OF PUBLIC MEETING HELD OCTOBER 3, 2019**

A public meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Andrews, Indiana convened on October 3, 2019 at 4:00 p.m. in the Andrews Municipal Building in accordance with applicable law and pursuant to appropriate notice.

ROLL CALL:

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

APPROVAL OF COUNCIL MINUTES

No minutes to present to council.

OLD BUSINESS


President Johnson announced the main reason for the meeting today was to address the flooding problem and the current application for the McKeever Street FEMA Buyout grant. It has come to the attention of the council that we can apply for a new FEMA grant that would be effective after January 1, 2020. The original reason for the buyout was Huntington County is going to replace the bridge at Loon Creek. After assessing replacing the bridge it was suggested to buy out the thirteen properties along McKeever Street to help with the flooding problem. The timeline on the original FEMA grant was going to take approximately two to three years. This change will fast track the process. Kim Hochstetler, from Huntington County Community Development explained to council and residents the process of the new grant. The amount for the grant is \$807,020.00 and the towns match is \$201,755.00. The Huntington County Commissioners have already guaranteed to match half of the matching funds which will leave the match to town of \$101,000.00. The flood issue is a safety issue for homeowners and public safety employees. Motion by John Harshbarger to make the commitment of \$101,000.00 and move forward with the application for the new McKeever Street FEMA grant, seconded by Bonnie Walker. Motion passed unanimously.

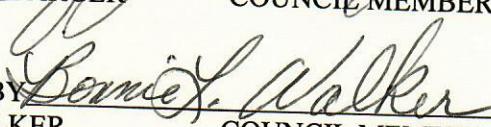
NEW BUSINESS


Eric Woodmansee came before council to talk about moving forward with the McKeever Street Storm Water Project. Woodmansee gave an engineering contract for the design plan on McKeever Street. Upon approval of the contract, Woodmansee could begin the design and we can then advertise for bidding the project. Bonnie Walker made a motion to approve the contract for the McKeever Street Storm Water Project with the approval from town attorney, seconded by John Harshbarger. Motion passed unanimously.

Approved this 15th day of October 2019.

APPROVED BY _____ as
WILLIAM K JOHNSON COUNCIL PRESIDENT

APPROVED BY  as
JOHN HARSHBARGER COUNCIL MEMBER

APPROVED BY  as
BONNIE WALKER COUNCIL MEMBER

ATTEST BY  as
LAURA A DILLON CLERK-TREASURER