

**ANDREWS TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES  
OF PUBLIC MEETING HELD MAY 8, 2017**

A public meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Andrews, Indiana convened on May 8, 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 March 24<sup>th</sup>, 2017, seconded by John Harshbarger. Motion passes unanimously.

**OLD BUSINESS**

Steve Brock was present to explain the wastewater rate increase due to the bid opening of the construction of the new wastewater treatment plant. Board president William Johnson told residents of the bid openings on the May 8, 2017 meeting. Bids came in higher than the funds that were allowed. Brock stated the options were based on the construction amount and alternatives to the plant of \$108,000.00. Funding is as follows, OCRA (free money) of \$550,000.00 and State Revolving Loan Fund (free money) of \$1,000,000.00 the project cost is approximately 5,659,000.00. Brock reached out the State Revolving Loan officials and requested more funds to help buy down user fees. All figures in the report are preliminary until he hears back from the state. Next would be to introduce the rate ordinance then at the May 22 public hearing make any changes after talking with the state. The bonds to finance the project would be approximately 2%. The preliminary rate report will be in the Clerk-Treasurer's office for the residents to inspect. Construction should be slated to begin in the middle of July 2017 and finish by the end of July 2018.

A public hearing on Ordinance 2017-8 An Ordinance Amending the Town Code of The Town of Andrews, Indiana to Modify Existing Rates and Charges of the Wastewater Department of Andrews will be on May 22, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. at the town hall council chambers. Ordinance 2017-8, An Ordinance Amending the Town Code of The Town of Andrews, Indiana to Modify Existing Rates and Charges of the Wastewater Department of Andrews was introduced.

Julie Newsome, chairperson for the Andrews Summer Festival informed committee members will be at the town hall for the annual flower sales on Friday, May 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup>. She also reported Flyers were made for the car show to be held on Friday night, August 18, 2017. The cars will be parked up Jefferson, Madison, Main and the church parking lot.

Ordinance 2017-7, An Ordinance to amend Chapter 150 for Temporary Housing. The ordinance is driven by a property at 821 Market Street that Dortha Beechy wants to sell to friends that spend the winter in the south. The ordinance will allow for a 180 day permit in order for a tiny house or recreational vehicle to be placed on a property with the approval of the application by the Huntington County Department Community Development building commission, the Huntington County Health Department and the town utilities superintendent. After approval of the above, the application would come before the town board for approval at a regular board meeting. Ordinance 2017-7, was presented. Bonnie Walker made a motion to adopt on the first reading Ordinance 2017-7 seconded by John Harshbarger. Motion passed by voice vote 3-0. John Harshbarger made a motion to suspend the rules and have a second reading of the Ordinance, seconded by Bonnie Walker. Motion passed by voice vote 3-0. Bonnie Walker made a motion to adopt on the second and



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final reading of Ordinance 2017-7 "An Ordinance to amend Chapter 150 for Temporary Housing", seconded by John Harshbarger. Motion passes by roll call vote 3-0. Ordinance signed.

Community Crossing Paving Grant was discussed. The bids came in \$21,266.50 over the allotted amount of the project. Therefore after confirmation with the state to reduce the scope of the project it was recommended by the utility superintendent and Clerk-Treasurer to take out paving Jackson Street and California Street by the United Technologies building in case the town would need to work on utilities in that area. As stated by members, there would be no use in paving those streets then turn around and repave after utility work would be done. Bonnie Walker made a motion to accept option 5 of the paving list, seconded by John Harshbarger. Motion passed by voice vote 3-0. Board members will be reviewing the list for 2017 as the state has changed the match for 2017 to 25% local match and grant match from the state at 75%. Board members will be attending a meeting in Fort Wayne to discuss the 2017 grant information. The paving contract with E&B Paving was signed with the information received from JPR and the state.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Ordinance 2017-6, An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 50 to Clarify Temporary Water and Wastewater Service. Dillon explained this ordinance is for temporary service not to exceed 30 days for residents that have turned water off but for numerous some reason want the water turned back on either to clean of do outside maintenance. It will also include a fee for the service of turning on and off water. Ordinance 2017-6, was presented. Bonnie Walker made a motion to adopt on the first reading Ordinance 2017-6 seconded by John Harshbarger. Motion passed by voice vote 3-0. John Harshbarger made a motion to suspend the rules and have a second reading of the Ordinance, seconded by Bonnie Walker. Motion passed by voice vote 3-0. John Harshbarger made a motion to adopt on the second and final reading of Ordinance 2017-6 An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 50 to Clarify Temporary Water and Wastewater Service", seconded by Bonnie Walker. Motion passes by roll call vote 3-0. Ordinance signed.

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

Marshall Austin Bullock had no report as he was attending river rescue training for the week.

No report from the Fire Department.

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.

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 7<sup>th</sup> in Fort Wayne. William Johnson and Dillon will attend.


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

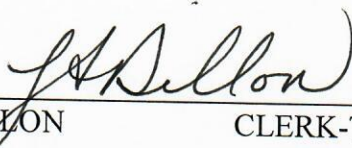
John Harshbarger made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Bonnie Walker.

Approved this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of May, 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

