

ANDREWS TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES OF PUBLIC MEETING HELD MARCH 13, 2017

A public meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Andrews, Indiana convened on March 13, 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 February 27th, 2017, seconded by John Harshbarger. Motion passes unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

Julie Newsome, representing the Andrews Community Helpers and Andrews Summer Festival came before council with a financial recap of the monies raised and approximately \$10,000.00 wish list for the 2017 Summer Festival. Upcoming fundraisers for the summer festival are the Pizza Hut fundraiser on March 27th. A plant sale fundraiser is planned for May 12th and 13th with the help of Triton Greenhouse. The plant sale will be held in the parking lot of the Town Hall. She also asked council what they would agree to pay. A suggestion from the prior meeting was to pay for the bands that will play on the festival weekend of August 11th and 12th, 2017. Bonnie Walker made a motion to approve the disbursement of \$100.00 for the annual Easter egg hunt, seconded by John Harshbarger. Motion passes unanimously. Bonnie Walker made a motion to approve the payment of no more than \$3,050.00 for the Summer Festival bands, seconded by John Harshbarger. Motion passes unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Kim Hostetler and Many Woods from Huntington County Community Development presented council with a Flood Response and Evacuation Plan (FREP). The plan was approved and paid for by the Huntington County Commissioners. Butler Seufert Fairman was awarded the contract with the county. Hostetler's main concern is for the town to support the plan. The plan will detail communities that are at risk of flooding. Butler Fairman will be in contact with town officials to complete the plan. The plan should help reduce the cost of insurance for residents who are paying federal flood insurance. Also, the plan should help with the possibility of a buyout of residents in the flooding area.

In other business, the town was presented with a packet from Stantec, the firm representing UTEC. The packet included a letter proposing the request of ten (10) additional monitoring wells in the Towns of Andrews right-of-way and a summary of the work conducted to-date in the Town Hall building. On February 13, 2017, Stantec sent an email to the town indicating that trichloroethylene (TCE) was detected in the first floor indoor air and basement air samples collected from the Town Hall building. The TCE concentration in the indoor air sample (located on the first floor) was below the IDEM commercial screening level. However, the TCE concentration in the basement air sample was above the commercial screening level, but below the IDEM action level. Also included in the letter were initial actions taken to better understand

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the source of TCE and potential migration pathway. A copy of the letter and other information may be seen in the Town of Andrews Clerk-Treasurer's Office. Council members discussed the advice given via their town attorney to hire an environmental attorney (Plews Shadley Racher & Braun) to review all documents. The advice would include checking the town's insurance coverage and a recommendation on how the town should proceed. John Harshbarger made a motion to approve the contract with Plews Shadley Racher & Braun for possible damages to the building and attorney services of no more than \$4,000.00, seconded by Bonnie Walker. Motion passes unanimously. Council discussed the request for the ten (10) additional monitoring wells. They were concerned with the locations of the wells because they will be placed across the railroad tracks and down Jefferson Street. There were many questions as to the contamination moving to the north end of town which has not been tested.

President Johnson would like to contact McGuiness and set a meeting to know the status of the plum. Where the plum is at, where it's moving and the action being taken to assure residents that vapors are not getting into their basements and crawl spaces which could be hazardous to their health. At his time council agreed to set a meeting to get the UTEC officials to answer questions. Council agreed to contact Stantec in order to start with the installation of the additional monitoring wells.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Marshall Austin Bullock reported he received the new police vehicle and is ready to be put into service. Council discussed trading in the two Crown Victoria police cars for a small pickup truck to be used by the wastewater department.

Firefighter Scott Howell was present and let council know of Public Safety Day will be April 22th at the Fire Department. The day will consist of the smoke house, firefighter's in their fire gear and games for the children. He announced the tenderloin dinner will be held May 20th. Howell requested that the fire department buy two new AED's to be placed on the trucks. Currently the AED's are old and not compatible with Parkview Huntington Hospital. The cost for two will be approximately \$1,500.00 each. He also asked council for the replacement of eight (8) high pressure air packs. The cost is around \$750.00 a unit and come with two air packs. Bill Johnson made a motion to approve the purchase of the AED and air packs, other members agreed.

Colin Bullock, Utility Superintendent presented council with a proposal for the inspection on the water tower as IDEM is requiring the inspection to be done in the next two years. The proposed price is \$2,700.00. John Harshbarger made a motion to approve the proposal for the water tower inspection of \$2,700.00, seconded by Bonnie Walker. Motion passes unanimously. He also informed council as to the work that needs to be done on the clear well. Bonnie Walker made a motion to approve the proposal of not more than 750.00 on the clear well, seconded by John Harshbarger. Motion passes unanimously.

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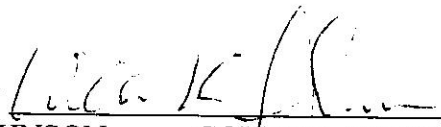
John Harshbarger brought before council that our part time maintenance person is not receiving an allowance for clothing. It was decided he should receive the clothing allowance of \$500.00. Dillon will prepare a new salary ordinance for the next meeting.

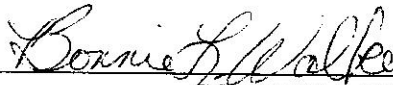
Dillon reported to council the reply from IDEM on the agreed order was returned today. She and Bullock will be working on the reply in the next week. John Harshbarger made a motion to approve the payment \$3,675.00 to IDEM for the penalty of the agreed order, seconded by Bonnie Walker. Motion passes unanimously.

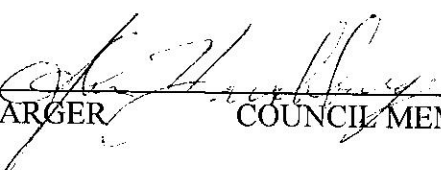
Dillon told council The Community Crossing Paving Grant will be advertise for bid on April 1, 2017 and the bids will be opened at the April 10th meeting.

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 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