

**ANDREWS TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES
OF PUBLIC MEETING HELD MARCH 26, 2018**

A public meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Andrews, Indiana convened on March 26, 2018 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 meeting of March 12, 2018, seconded by John Harshbarger. Motion passes unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

The Community Crossing Matching Grant paving project is a project for paving streets and installing sidewalks on certain streets in the town approved by the Indiana Department of Transportation. Opening of the CCMG bids, being advertised for tonight's meeting are as follows: Brooks Construction \$192,912.00, Wayne Asphalt \$206,455.00, E & B Paving \$178,238.00. Project engineer Jay Stankiewicz was present to approve and certify the bids. After inspection of the bids, Stankiewicz announced E & B Paving was low bidder but found an error in their computation which changed the original bid to \$182,493. This change still made E & B Paving the low bid. Council accepted the E & B Paving bid for the 2018 CCMG project.

NEW BUSINESS

Residents Scott Wallace, 117 W McKeever Street along with Steve Davis, 187 W McKeever Street were present to complain their neighbor, Tim Conrad, 167 W McKeever Street has a mass amount of trash on his property. Wallace presented a series of photos, most taken on March 25, 2018 to council and informed them Conrad is hiding concrete slabs, piles of wire, scrap metal, old shredded tires, a stack of pallets and a semi-trailer with skirting that hides more items from view of the street. Wallace also stated Jed Ness has moved his tree service equipment from his house at 237 W McKeever Street onto the Conrad property. Wallace attempted to talk with Conrad last year and the Andrews police were called to the residence at that time. This has been an on-going issue for years with a violation to be filed in court around January of 2016. Clerk-Treasurer Dillon was instructed to prepare a new nuisance violation. In the meantime, Attorney Halverstadt will research the old violation to see if it could be upheld and filed in court. Halverstadt suggested council hold an executive session to discuss the issue. Harshbarger indicated he wants to this complaint resolved as soon as possible. Jed Ness was also present and stated his equipment was there for the removal of some trees he has been working on.

Dillon presented the State Revolving Loan Request Voucher #18 for the payment to Strand Associates in the amount of \$30,802.41 for the new wastewater treatment plan. John Harshbarger made a motion to approve the payment of \$30,802.41, seconded by Bonnie Walker. Motion passed unanimously

Ordinance 2018-3, An Ordinance to amend the 2018 Salary to include a court appearance amount of \$50.00 per appearance was read. Motion made by John Harshbarger to approve Ordinance 2018-3, seconded by Bonnie Walker. Motion passed unanimously. The ordinance will be read for a second time at the April 23, 2018 council meeting.

Irene Hutchinson, 124 N Jackson Street came before council to complain that the sidewalk project slated for this summer was being built on the north side of Washington Street. She stated that her family parks in front of their house and this would take away their parking. Council told Hutchinson the plans had been changed to the north side of Washington Street as of last week from Market Street to Jackson Street.

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DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Town Marshall Austin Bullock gave members a quote for two hand guns for his department. John Harshbarger made a motion to approve the purchase of hand guns at \$414.00 each, seconded by Bonnie Walker. Motion passes unanimously. Bullock also told residents to keep their doors and houses locked as there have been break-ins to resident's houses around the area.

Firefighter Dean Young was present for the fire department. He announced the fire department will be having a fund raiser at the VFW in Huntington on Saturday, March 31, 2018 starting at 5:00 p.m.

Utility Superintendent Colin Bullock reported work is progressing on the new wastewater plant.


Clerk-Treasurer Dillon, speaking for resident Mary Graves at 821 N Market Street requested an extension for their temporary housing permit. The ordinance allows for one extension which council was agreeable. Dillon asked member Harshbarger to explain the situation at the old UTEC plant. Harshbarger is concerned if UTEC would begin to salvage their building if the town would have any recourse for leaving just the shell of the building and contaminated waste after the salvage is completed. More research will have to be done with the Department of Homeland Security, IDEM and the Indiana State Fire Marshall's offices.

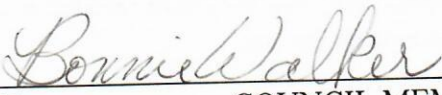
Candidate for Circuit Court Judge Davin Smith was present to introduce himself to council and residents.


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

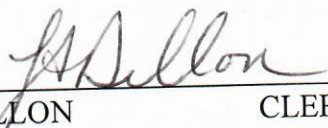
Bonnie Walker made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by John Harshbarger. Motion passed unanimously.

Approved this 9th day of April 2018.

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