ANDREWS TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES OF A PUBLIC MEETING HELD JANUARY 28, 2019

A public meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Andrews, Indiana convened on January 28, 2019 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 minutes of January 14th, 2019 with corrections made, seconded by John Harshbarger. Motion passes unanimously.

APPOINTMENT OF LEGAL COUNCIL

John Harshbarger made a motion to continue to keep DeLaney Hartburg Roth (Mike Hartburg) as legal counsel for 2019, seconded by Bonnie Walker. Motion passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

Clerk-Treasurer Dillon presented council with the Community Crossing Matching Grant commitment letter for the application of Hendricks, Virginia and Snowden Street. These streets are the part of the first round that was disapproved by the state last fall. The estimated total cost of the three streets is \$128,800.00 with the town match of \$32,200.00. Funds will come from MVH paving and the balance from CEDIT. Bonnie Walker made a motion to accept the CCMG commitment letter to be submitted for grant funding, second by John Harshbarger. Motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Eric Woodmansee and Josh Goodmon from RQAW Engineering was present to discuss the McKeever Street storm water project and any other projects the town would need an engineering firm for. This council is seeking engineering firms to present funding options for upcoming projects such as a new water plant, community building and CCMG projects. Susie Ripley was also present from RQAW and has been a federal grant administrator and a strategic planner who has worked in Indianapolis with OCRA. The first project should be to pass a town comprehensive plan to identify long term goals of the town. She also suggested the town speak with Mike Kleinpeter, a highly recommended grant administrator for assistance. The state of Indiana has many opportunities for funding other than just OCRA and should consider as other revenue options. Council agreed to move forward with contacting Kleinpeter Consulting to discuss the long-term comprehensive plan.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Police Department – Reported deputy Marshall Austin Smith has completed his physical examination at the state academy and will report for training on February 4th, 2019.

Fire Department – William Johnson stated he spoke with Fire Chief Tom Wuench and the fire department had no intentions to purchase a fire truck from Roanoke as the truck was a ladder truck and Andrews did not need a ladder truck. Firefighter Dean Young was present for the fire department and told members there has been no discussion for the purchase at any of their meetings.

Utility Department – Colin Bullock, Utility Superintendent let council know that M.E. Simpson was in town to check for underground water leaks. There is a major leak on Main Street at the corner of Ruby. The line leads from Main Street to the new wastewater plant. Bullock has turned off the entire line which services the treatment plant and fire department. He estimates the water loss on the line could be as high as 80,000

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gallons of water per day. Council asked Dillon to give notice for a special meeting on Friday, February 1, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. to consider quotes to repair the entire line. Colin also reported the new treatment plant is almost at completion and Dillon reported a voucher for the last funds (other than retainage funds) came in today, but too late to process for this evening.

Clerk-Treasurer, Laura Dillon, explained to council the Cumulative Fire Special Fund tax rate is currently at \$.0163 which raises \$1,849.00 in property taxes. According to Indiana Code the Cumulative funds can be reestablished at \$.05 which would generate approximately \$5,674.00. Council was agreeable with moving forward with reestablishing the Cumulative Fire Special Fund. Dillon reported she is working on the ADA Transition Plan that is due to INDOT by June 1, 2019.

Julie Newsome, representing the Summer Festival Committee came before council to ask if the committee could use the town hall to have a baked steak dinner on February 23rd at 4:30. Council was agreeable with the request. She also reported on the activities for the 2019 festival. They plan on still having the car show but will be adding an illusionist and flame throwers this year as a new event. She also reminded council they will be asking council to waive the town garage sale permit fee and fund the bands during the festival weekend. Newsome has been approached by residents to bring back the fireworks on Saturday evening as the finally of the festival weekend. Committee members will continue planning for fireworks.

CLAIMS

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

FURTHER BUSINESS

Bonnie Walker made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 p.m., seconded by John Harshbarger.

Approved this 11th day of Februa	ry 2019.
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