

**ANDREWS TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES  
OF PUBLIC MEETING HELD MARCH 25, 2019**

A public meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Andrews, Indiana convened on March 25, 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.

**OPEN PUBLIC HEARING**

Council President Johnson opened a public hearing on Ordinance 2019-1, an Ordinance to Re-Establish the Cumulative Fire Special Fund. The ordinance re-establishes the rate at .0333 per \$100 of Net assessed value of property which will generate approximately \$3,777.00 in 2020. Without any further comments, a motion was made by Bonnie Walker to close the public hearing, seconded by John Harshbarger. Motions passed unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF COUNCIL MINUTES**

Bonnie Walker made a motion to approve the council minutes for the meeting of March 11, 2019, seconded by John Harshbarger. Motion passed unanimously.

**OLD BUSINESS**

Ordinance 2019-1, an Ordinance to Re-establish the Cumulative Fire Special Fund was read for the first time. The proposed increase will allow the Town to increase its current rate of .0163 per \$100/AV which generates \$1,849.00. This increase will result in annual revenue to the fund of approximately \$3,777.00. Ordinance 2019-1 was read. With no comments from residents, Council Member John Harshbarger made a motion to adopt on first reading Ordinance 2019-1, an Ordinance to Re-establish the Cumulative Fire Special Fund, seconded by member Bonnie Walker. Motion passed 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 3-0. Council member Harshbarger made a motion to adopt on second and final reading Ordinance 2019-1, an Ordinance to Re-establish the Cumulative Fire Special Fund, seconded by council member Walker. President Johnson called for a voice vote. Motion passed with voice vote 3-0. Ordinance signed.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Council accepted bid packets from three contractors for the 2018 Community Crossing Paving Grant. Mitch Hansel, representing Fleis & Vanderbrink was present to certify the bids after opening. Bids were as follows; Brooks Construction \$428,977.00, E & B Paving \$319,082.12 and Pulver Construction \$335,470.05. The grant awarded from the state is \$204,000.00 with the town match of \$67,000.00. Hansel informed council since the bids came in over the award of the grant council had a few choices of picking out portions of the project to delete in order to reduce the amount instead of paying the difference from other town funds, such as Motor Vehicle Highway, Local Road and Street or CEDIT. Bids will be awarded at the April 8<sup>th</sup> regular council meeting.

Council opened bids for the Garbage and Refuse Collection. Council received one bid from H & H Disposal for \$9.25 per residents. Legal counsel will review and advise and Council will address at their next regular meeting on April 8th. Special item pickups were discussed with H & H Disposal. Clerk-Treasurer Dillon will check on the process of buying a tag for a fee in order for the disposal of large items.

Spring clean-up pick up will be set for Friday, May 3rd.

Ordinance 2019-2 amending Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 relating to fair housing was discussed. The Ordinance was read. Motion was made by John Harshbarger to accept Ordinance 2019-2, seconded by Bonnie Walker. Motion passed 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 3-0. Council member

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Harshbarger made a motion to adopt on second and final reading Ordinance 2019-2 amending Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, seconded by council member Walker. President Johnson called for a voice vote. Motion passed with voice vote 3-0. Ordinance signed.

Request #40 State Revolving Loan Funds for Strand Associates of \$37,516 was presented as their final bill for the new wastewater treatment plant. Motion was made to pay the request by John Harshbarger; motion seconded by Bonnie Walker. Motion passed unanimously.

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

Town Marshall Austin Bullock gave an update as to how Austin Smith is doing at the police academy. He is working out very well.

No fire department report.

Colin Bullock, utility superintendent, presented a quote for a slide gate operator with photo eyes for the front gate in the amount of \$5,000. Discussion was held. Bonnie Walker made a motion to accept the quote, motion seconded by John Harshbarger. Motion passed unanimously.

Laura Dillon, Clerk-Treasurer, stated the OCRA public hearing on storm water is set for April 22, 2019. The hearing will be published. Council will be attending the AIM meeting on April 18<sup>th</sup> in Middlebury.


**OTHER BUSINESS**

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

John Harshbarger reported that there are numerous mobile homes that are vacant and in need of repair. Council will continue to monitor the situation.

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

Approved this 8th day of April, 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