

**ANDREWS TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES
OF PUBLIC MEETING HELD SEPTEMBER 23, 2019**

A public meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Andrews, Indiana convened on September 23, 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 John Harshbarger and Bonnie Walker were present. William Johnson came into the meeting close to the end. 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 public meeting on September 9 and the executive session on September 17, 2019, seconded by John Harshbarger. Motion passes unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

At the August 12, 2019 meeting council agreed to uphold the order of enforcement from Huntington County Community Development for the Anitoch Mobile Home Park until September 23, 2019. Mr. Salerno has sent an email stating some cleanup and a timeline for corrective measures on the property. Council decided corrective measures as seen below.

1. Determined that the corrective measures for Lots 8, and 11 are complete.
2. Modified the Order of Enforcement to the following:
 - Extend the compliance deadline for all work on the removal or the demolition of mobile homes on Lots 12, 19, 20, 22 and 23 to October 31, 2019; and
 - Extend the compliance deadline for completing work on the Maintenance Building to October 31, 2019.
 - Extend the compliance deadline for all work on the demolition of the double wide Manufactured Home on Lot 23 to October 31, 2019.
3. Added additional requirements for public's safety concerning the demolition of Lot 23:
 - Owner to notify Town's Clerk-Treasurer or Town Marshal in advance of work commencing on Lot 23.
 - The demolition work on the double wide Manufactured Home on Lot 23 must be completed within two days (2) of starting the demolition and that demolition must also include the shed.
4. Declined Owner's request to extend compliance deadline for Lots 5, 6 and 7 to June 1, 2020.
5. Owner or its representative ordered to attend the Town Council meeting scheduled for Tuesday, October 15, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. to provide an update concerning: (i) progress for removal of mobile homes for Lots 5, 6 and 7 and status of ownership of such mobile homes, and (ii) status of deck repairs at Lot 21.
6. Owner or its representative ordered to attend the Town Council meeting scheduled for Tuesday, November 12, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. to provide an update concerning demolition or removal of mobile homes on Lots 12, 19, 20, 22 and 23.

Marla Stambazze also made council aware of a property located 24 S Main Street, owned by Clifford Runion (second floor) and Kermit Little (first floor). DCD has sent a letter to owners notifying the bricks are falling on the gas meter in the back of the building. The next step would be to do a title search and proceed with the unsafe building. Motion by Bonnie Walker to give the Department of Community Development permission to make corrective measures to the property at 24 S Main Street seconded by John Harshbarger. Motion passed unanimously.

The 2020 Budget was discussed. Dillon made council aware of one change to the CEDIT budget to arrange the budget to include the FEMA Buyout for the McKeever Street Buyout Project of \$101,000.00 for the town match, as FEMA wanted to make sure there was a line item in the budget to pay for the project. Council Member Bonnie Walker made a motion to approve Ordinance 2019-6, 2020 Budget, seconded by Council Member John Harshbarger. Motion passed 3-0. Council Member John Harshbarger made a motion to suspend the rules and have a second vote to approve Ordinance 2019-6 the 2020 Budget, seconded by Council Member Walker. Motion passed 3-0. Council member Walker made a motion to approve the Ordinance 2019-6 the 2020 Budget, seconded by Council Harshbarger. Motion passed 3-0. Ordinance signed.

The 2020 Salary Ordinance will be on the agenda for the October 15, 2019 regular meeting.

Dillon brought up items that need addressed with the McKeever Street FEMA Buyout Project. Council president and the

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Council president and the Clerk-Treasurer met with the County Commissioners to make a request of committing half of the total match for the project. Also, as part of the application the council president is required to sign a letter confirming the town matching funds of \$101,000.00 and a letter signed by the utility superintendent that the town will maintain the properties after the demolition of the properties. Motion by John Harshbarger to sign the commitment letters and a commitment to maintain the properties seconded by Bonnie Walker. Motion passed unanimously.

John Harshbarger announced there will be a meeting at the Andrews Elementary School regarding the closing of State Road 105 at the bridge over the Salamonie Reservoir on Tuesday, October 1, 2019 at 5:30 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS

Julie Newsome, Dallas Township Trustee came before the board to discuss a generator for the fire department building. John Harshbarger was with Tom Wunch when the gentleman came to look at the buildings (fire station and town hall) but indicated he has not seen any quotes for the project. Harshbarger stated the generator that was at the wastewater plant was replaced when the plant was expanded and considering a trade for new generators is not feasible. Newsome called Bolinger's to discuss a generator. Bolinger told Newsome he gave a quote to the fire department in 2017 of \$9,553.00 which should be comparable to today's prices. Her plan of action was to get the generator in 2020 and wait for the new roof. She also told council she is looking at an LED digital sign for the fire department on the site of the new flag poles and landscaping. She is requesting funds from the town to help with the expense of \$600.00 to \$1,000.00. More information will be available later.

Julie also told council on Saturday, October 19, 2019 the Summer Festival will be having a baked steak dinner at the Town Hall with council approval. Council agreed with letting the committee use the Town Hall.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Marshall Austin Bullock request Halloween trick or treat hours be on October 31, 2019 from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. Council approved the request. Bullock told residents that he and the council finished interviews for a deputy Marshall, and he recommended we hire Michael Dean Young as the new deputy Marshall. Motion made by Bonnie Walker to approve Young as the new deputy Marshall, seconded by John Harshbarger. Motion passed unanimously. President Johnson told resident that Young has been a reserve officer since 2013 and has worked hard at the job for no payment. He is an asset to the community.

Firefighter Dean Young was present and told council and residents there will be a teen dance on Saturday, October 26th, 2019 from 7:00 to 10:00 p.m. at the fire station. Donation of can goods are requested.

Colin Bullock, Utility Superintendent and his staff will be working on cutting and trimming trees at the park. He is working on replacing the lift station at Jefferson Street. John Harshbarger made a motion to approve purchases for the Jefferson Street lift station, seconded by Bonnie Walker. Motion passed unanimously.

Laura Dillon, Clerk-Treasurer reported codification of the codes of ordinances from 2017 through 2019 will be done upon approval. John Harshbarger made a motion to approve the Codification of the Ordinances, seconded by Bonnie Walker. Motion passed unanimously. We will be moving forward meeting with the Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee so we can get the plan done as soon as possible.

OTHER BUSINESS

No other business to report.

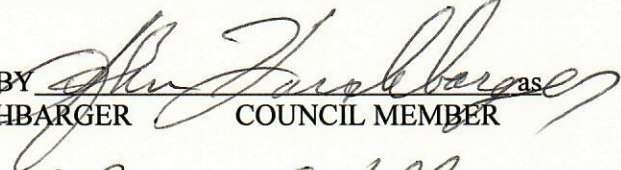
APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE CLAIMS


Bonnie Walker made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by John Harshbarger. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

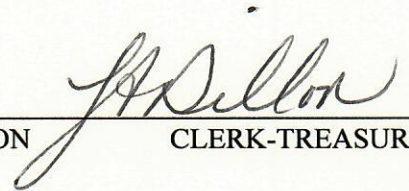
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Approved this 15th day of October 2019.

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