# ANDREWS TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES OF PUBLIC MEETING HELD NOVEMBER 12, 2019

A public meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Andrews, Indiana convened on November 12, 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 council minutes with corrections for the public meeting held on October 28, 2019, seconded by John Harshbarger. Motion passes unanimously.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

Marla Stambazze, Huntington County Community Development was present to discuss 22 and 24 S Main Street. William Johnson contacted Kermit Little, one of the owners to discuss the situation with the bricks. Repairs to the brick have been made and completed. For information only, the upper floor of the building has been sold from Clifford Runion to Greg Yoder. Bonnie Walker made a motion to accept the release of the CDC's complaint regarding the property, seconded by John Harshbarger. Motion passes unanimously.

Brian Salerno, owner of Antioch Mobile Home Court was present. A timeline of the November 12<sup>th</sup>, 2019 to improvement work was presented by Marla Stambazze. The County is willing to work with the owner as he continues to make repairs in good faith by the end of the year. John Harshbarger was not in favor of extending the November 12<sup>th</sup> deadline for removal and repairs to the mobile homes. Salerno asked about removing the shed from lot 23. Violation officer Bullock will inspect the shed and give his recommendation to the Clerk-Treasurer. The shed could be removed when the mobile home is removed. John Harshbarger made a motion to continue monitoring the repairs until the end of the year but, if at any time it appears that progress has stopped the Town may exercise the option to make the necessary removal of homes from the property, seconded by Bonnie Walker. Motion passes unanimously.

## NEW BUSINESS

Discussion was held relating to 63 E. McKeever Street. There is a deadline set for Order of Enforcement from the County Health Department for January 6, 2020. No repairs have been made at this time, so we will wait and watch for progress until January 6, 2020 before taking any action.

Discussion was held relating to 498 W. McKeever St. Owner McQueery reported to the clerk's office he had sewage in his crawl space due to town equipment being used. There was no equipment being used for sewer work at the time. Bullock spoke with McQueery. This situation may be given to the Community Development for minium housing requirements. It appears he is living in the RV currently and needs to file for Temporary Housing application.

John Harshbarger told members the roof is falling in at the house at 237 Columbia Street. Health Department official Brant Rickert will look through his file to see if there are any open violations at the property. Owners are 237 E Columbia Street Land Trust and property taxes are being paid by Tiffany Marra.

Council gave approval for AME Consulting to proceed with bid documents for the CCMG Hendricks Street Project. Bonnie Walker made a motion for the approval of the bidding process to AME Consulting, seconded John Harshbarger. Motion passed unanimously.

There was discussion of the 2020 CCMG McKeever Street Paving Project. President Johnson and Clerk-Treasurer Dillon met with County Commissioners to discuss the transfer of Leedy Lane, the first block of McKeever Street, and a portion of California Street from the county to the town. The county agreed to the transfer if the town would prepare the proper paperwork.

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Engineer Woodmansee has the Asset Management Plan completed. Colin Bullock and Dillon will review the plan to be ready to submit before December 1, 2019.

Right of ways on four properties on McKeever Street are being completed and should be done in the next week. John Harshbarger made a motion to exercise the options to purchase four properties on McKeever Street and let it be known the ROW's are unrelated to any future CDBG application, seconded by Bonnie Walker. Motion passed unanimously.

#### **DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

Marshall Austin Bullock told council training for the Deputy Marshall could either be Tier 1 which is extensive eighteen-week training or Tier 2 which is an eight-week course. President Johnson recommended sending the deputy to the Tier 2 training that begins on March 9, 2020. Members Harshbarger and Walker agreed with Johnson's recommendation.

There was no one present from the Fire Department.

Colin Bullock, Utility Superintendent, reported his staff will be picking up leaves.

Laura Dillon, Clerk Treasurer gave appropriation reports and a fund report to members.

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

### **OTHER BUSINESS**

No other business.

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

Approved this 25<sup>th</sup> day of November 2019.

APPROVED BY

WILLIAM K JOHNSON

COUNCIL PRESIDENT

APPROVED BY

BONNIE WALKER

COUNCIL MEMBER

APPROVED BY JOHN HARSHBARGER

COUNCIL MEMBER

ATTEST BY

LAURA A DILLON

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CLERK-TREASURER