

**ANDREWS TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES
OF A PUBLIC MEETING HELD APRIL 25, 2022**

A public meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Andrews, Indiana convened on April 25, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. at the Andrews Town Hall in accordance with applicable law and pursuant to appropriate notice.

ROLL CALL

Council Members John Harshbarger, Laura Dillon, and Roger Newsome, Jr. were in attendance. Clerk-Treasurer Laury Powell declared a quorum was present and the meeting would continue.

APPROVAL OF COUNCIL MINUTES

Laura Dillon made a motion to approve council minutes for a regular session held April 11, 2022, and a special session held April 18, 2022. Roger Newsome, Jr. seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

TRASH CONTRACT 2022

Council President announced that H&H Disposal of Huntington is awarded the new trash contract effective May 1, 2022. Laura Dillon next made a motion to accept the H&H Disposal trash contract. Roger Newsome, Jr. seconded the motion. Motion approved 3-0. John then read Ordinance 2022-3 which amends Chapter 53: Garbage and Refuse of the Code of Ordinances of the Town of Andrews, Indiana. It updates the rates and charges relating to the collection and disposal of trash over the next five years according to the newly signed contract. The rate is \$11.25 per active dwelling tote for the first three years and \$11.75 for the remaining two years. Laura Dillon made a motion to pass Ordinance 2022-3; Roger Newsome seconded the motion; motion passed unanimously. Laura Dillon made a motion to suspend the rules and pass Ordinance 2022-3 on a second reading. Roger Newsome seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously. Council President Harshbarger read the ordinance for a second time. Laura Dillon made a motion to accept Ordinance 2022-3 on its second read. Roger Newsome seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

ERIC WOODMANSEE

Waterworks Project: AME Consulting's official PER document was presented in book format to the Town. It is now available for public inspection and a Public Hearing will be held on May 9 at 6:00 p.m. CCMG 2020-1: Woodmansee said he was informed by Colin Bullock of additional septic line damage caused by DC Construction at 254 E McKeever St.

OLD BUSINESS

FEMA Buyout: John Harshbarger said the Newsome and Dobson properties closed today. Laura Dillon reported on her visit to the County Commissioners meeting where a small vacant lot belonging to Dana Howell was discussed. The County plans to replace a bridge on W McKeever St and would like the lot to allow staging of equipment and to possibly build a retaining wall. Council also decided the next two houses to go should be the Johnson and Howell properties. Dillon motioned to remove Howell's small vacant lot from the Buyout Project, whereas the Town buys it outright from Howell, then deeds the lot to the County for their use during construction, and finally the County deeds the lot back to the Town once the bridge project is complete. Roger Newsome, Jr. seconded the motion, which carried 3-0.

NEW BUSINESS

No new business came before Council.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Police Department: Marshal Austin Bullock presented a former resident's sentencing order and explained how his department will receive a portion of the confiscated drug money. Bullock asked Council if he could use the forfeited money to purchase thermal imaging binoculars, or night vision

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equipment, to assist with local search, rescue, and surveillance operations. Council agreed with his request. Austin also said several property owners have acquired dumpsters to facilitate the cleanup of junk and debris as ordered in recent notice of violations.

Fire Department: Firefighter Josh Young reported on training activities and hydrant inspections for ISO (Insurance Services Office) ratings. Discussion ensued on the need to number all hydrants in Town and Colin Bullock's utility employees were asked to do the job.

Utility Department: Superintendent Colin Bullock said he has discovered additional lateral septic line damage where DC Construction worked on the CCMG 2020-1 E McKeever St Storm Water Project. He plans to camera more laterals in the area to inspect for damage.

Clerk-Treasurer: Laury Powell reminded everyone of Early Voting at the Town Hall on April 28 from 12:00 to 6:00 p.m. She reported the ARPA Report was complete and submitted to the Federal Treasury on April 14. In addition, she has begun to work with Larry Tippin on the Capital Assets Project. Tippin plans to be in town early to mid-May for on-site work. Powell will attend the virtual AIM Clerk-Treasurer's School and Budget Workshops the third week in May.

CLAIMS

Laura Dillon made a motion to approve the claims as presented, which was seconded by Roger Newsome, Jr. Motion carried 3-0.

OTHER BUSINESS


Richard Teusch, 280 S Clifton St, asked Colin Bullock why recent hydrant flushing caused brown tap water. Bullock explained the discolored water is a result of iron (rust) and other mineral deposits getting stirred up in the water mains and was a result of ISO testing for an insurance rate study. The inspector unexpectedly showed up in Andrews leaving no time for public notice of hydrant flushing. Running tap water for several minutes should clear the rust from a homeowner's water lines. Teusch also asked Bullock to inspect a septic line near his residence now that the Town has purchased and put into use sewer camera equipment.

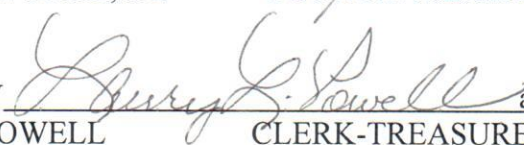
Laura Dillon made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:39 p.m., which was seconded by Roger Newsome, Jr.

Approved this 9th day of May 2022.

APPROVED BY  as
JOHN HARSHBARGER COUNCIL PRESIDENT

APPROVED BY  as
LAURA A DILLON COUNCIL MEMBER

APPROVED BY  as
ROGER NEWSOME, JR. COUNCIL MEMBER

ATTEST BY  as
LAURY L POWELL CLERK-TREASURER