

**ANDREWS TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES
OF A PUBLIC MEETING HELD JUNE 27, 2022**

A public meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Andrews, Indiana convened on June 27, 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 June 13, 2022. Roger Newsome, Jr. seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

KIM HOSTETLER, HUNTINGTON DCD

Demolition Bids for the FEMA Buyout Project were presented to Council. John Harshbarger read the bids aloud as follows.

- Amor Excavating – 240 W McKeever for \$10,250.00 and 255 W Jefferson for \$11,325.00
- Dirt Excavating – 240 W McKeever for \$13,134.00 and 255 W Jefferson for \$15,282.00
- TW Excavating – 240 W McKeever for \$10,256.00 and 255 W Jefferson for \$9,456.00
- Zahm Excavating – 240 W McKeever for \$11,000.00 and 255 W Jefferson for \$13,300.00

Bids were taken under advisement for further review. Hostetler will then notify the winning contractors. Eric Woodmansee offered to look over the Bids to determine if they are responsive. He later said all bids were responsive and advised the winning bids were received from Amor Excavating at 240 W McKeever St for \$10,250.00 and TW Excavating at 255 W Jefferson St for \$9,456.00.

Ordinance 2022-4 Flood Hazard Amendment: Council President John Harshbarger read the ordinance synopsis aloud to those in attendance, which states it Repeals Section 917: Flood Hazard Area Overlay District (FHA) of the Town of Andrews Zoning Ordinance and Adopts the Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance of the Town of Andrews, Indiana. Hostetler explained the County has already approved the change and this action corrects the Town's ordinance. Laura Dillon motioned to approve Ordinance 2022-4. Roger Newsome seconded the motion, which carried 3-0. Dillon next motioned to suspend the rules and pass the ordinance on a second reading. Newsome seconded the motion, which carried 3-0. Harshbarger read the ordinance synopsis for a second time. Dillon then motioned to adopt Ordinance 2022-4 on its second read. Newsome seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

SARAH BRUNNER, HUNTINGTON DCD

Brunner discussed an Unsafe Order of Enforcement for 150 N Market St with Council and the property owners. Brunner said the DCD would allow the owners to use materials from the garage demolition to seal up the old workshop and shore up the privacy fence. Council put 90 days on the OE and asked all parties to reappear at the September 26th meeting for an update.

Brunner discussed an Unsafe Order of Enforcement for 133 S Jackson St with Council and the property owners. It was reported that the owners have already removed a lean-to and have begun working on the yard. Council put 60 days on the OE and asked all parties to reappear at the August 22nd meeting for an update.

ERIC WOODMANSEE, AME CONSULTING

Woodmansee reported that Speedway Redi-Mix said there was not enough cure time for the weather conditions in mid-November before the new concrete surface was exposed to salt from SR105 or Main Street. The sidewalks should have been covered for protection. Woodmansee said the next discussion goes to the contractor to repair/repour which he will initiate via email.

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The updated request letter for leftover Wastewater SRF money has been received by the State and is in queue for review with the IFA SRF in Indianapolis. The Town will continue to wait on reimbursement as there have been many staff changes leaving that department understaffed and overwhelmed.

Cad Shack, LLC is ready to inspect the CCMG 2020-1 worksite to provide As-Built Record Drawings for the storm sewer collection system.

Woodmansee asked if the Town had an ADA Title VI Administrator or Plan as this is needed to get future monies from the State. Powell was asked to send to Eric all ADA documents on file for his review.

Backlogs at the Indiana SRF have also affected the SRF Water Project with award announcements pushed back to late July or early August. All paperwork is submitted and Woodmansee is waiting on comments.

OLD BUSINESS

Bank Reconciliations: C-T Powell reviewed all quotes received for this job with Council. She said that Culp CPA Group submitted the most reasonable quote and is available to start work with her office on June 29. Council agreed with Powell to select Culp CPA.

Norwood RWSD Board Appointment: Laura Dillon said that Cathy Johnson came forward to volunteer as a board member for NRWSD. After stating Johnson's banking experience as a plus, Dillon motioned to appoint Cathy Johnson to the Norwood Regional Water and Sewer District Board. Roger Newsome seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Ice Miller Bond Counsel Proposal: After Council's review of the proposal to serve as bond counsel for the Town's Waterworks Project, Laura Dillon motioned to approve Ice Miller's Bond Counsel Proposal as presented. Roger Newsome seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Ordinance 2022-5 URT Repeal: Council President Harshbarger read a synopsis of the ordinance and explained why the Town is reducing water rates by 1.4% to be effective with the July 1, 2022, water consumption. Laura Dillon motioned to introduce Ordinance 2022-5 Amending Rates and Charges for the Waterworks Utility. Roger Newsome seconded the motion, which carried 3-0. Laura Dillon motioned to suspend the rules and pass Ordinance 2022-5 on a second reading. Roger Newsome seconded the motion, which carried 3-0. John Harshbarger read the ordinance synopsis aloud for a second time. Roger Newsome motioned to pass the Ordinance 2022-5 on its second read. Dillon seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously. Dillon then motioned to adopt Ordinance 2022-5 to repeal the utility receipt tax. Newsome seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0.

Salamonie Reservoir Wastewater Proposal: Council President Harshbarger announced that Colin Bullock was approached by reservoir officials to take on the state property's wastewater. Harshbarger and Bullock met last week with officials to learn more about the proposal which would run a forced septic line from Lost Bridge East to Andrews. IDEM approves and SRF funds the entire project including engineering, legal, and all soft costs. The DNR would also pay for upgrades at the existing WWTP in Andrews. The Town would sponsor the project by making a grant application. Any residents along the route would be eligible to tie-in, however, not be forced to. The DNR would like to begin the paperwork soon but did say to expect 2 to 3 years for completion of the project. In summary, there is no cost to the Town but there is revenue money to be made. Laura Dillon likes the idea and John Harshbarger says it is a win-win for the Town of Andrews. Dillon motioned to move forward with the DNR Salamonie Wastewater Project. Roger Newsome seconded the motion. Motion was approved 3-0.

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DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Police Department: Marshal Austin Bullock distributed information to Council and discussed fuel contract quotes from several companies. Powell also had a quote from Ceres Solutions. After much discussion, Council decided to table the topic at this time. Next, Bullock added he has another sentencing order for a person dealing meth which resulted in an Order of Forfeiture for seized drug money. Council approved his request to purchase an Intoximeter, or OWI Sensor, for the Police Reserve Car with those proceeds. His department will also participate in Active Shooter Training this week at the schools.

Fire Department: Fire Chief Tom Wuensch announced there will not be a demolition derby this year. The department will begin planning earlier to hold this event next year. Wuensch said his department is now planning a Public Safety Day in early October for downtown Andrews. Finally, Wuensch surprisingly announced this will be his last year as fire chief. He has served 33 years as a firefighter, 20 years of those as the fire chief. AVFD will vote in a new chief later this year. Council thanked Tom for his years of service to the community.

Utility Department: Superintendent Colin Bullock reported the old barn is completely down and that recent water leaks around town have all been repaired. Biobag work is now complete at the WWTP, and the Vac Truck is currently down for repairs which will be done in-house.

Clerk-Treasurer: Laury Powell said going forward the Delinquent Reports will be given to Council at the last meeting each month. The change will show more accurate information as it is after the billing due date and near the date when shut-off tag money is due. Powell informed Council that the gas pumps went down last week, and the diagnosis is a "motherboard failure". Gasoline Equipment Petroleum Contractors will attempt to repair with what available parts they have. It was noted there are supply chain issues with electronic parts and that new motherboards are very expensive. Meanwhile, it was agreed that town employees should revert to manual tracking of fuel pumped so Powell can expense fuel costs by department.

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


There was no other business raised for discussion from those in attendance.

Laura Dillon made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:47 p.m., which was seconded by Roger Newsome, Jr.


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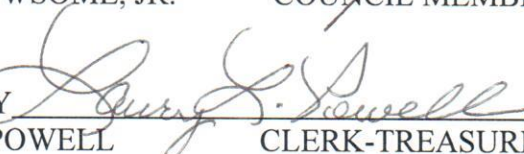
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Approved this 11th day of July 2022.

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