

**ANDREWS TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES
OF A PUBLIC MEETING HELD OCTOBER 11, 2022**

A public meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Andrews, Indiana convened on October 11, 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 September 26, 2022. Roger Newsome, Jr. seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

KIM HOSTETLER, HUNTINGTON DCD

Hostetler submitted Ordinances 2022-8 and 2022-9 for Council's consideration after discussion on minor language changes requested by the State for two ordinances Hostetler submitted for Council approval earlier in the year.

John Harshbarger read the synopsis for Ordinance 2022-8 to Repeal and Replace Certain Sections of the Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance. Council Member Laura Dillon moved to approve Ordinance 2022-8 on its first read, seconded by Roger Newsome. Motion carried 3-0. Dillon moved to suspend the rules and pass the ordinance on second read, which was seconded by Newsome. Motion carried 3-0. After Harshbarger read the synopsis a second time, Dillon moved to adopt Ordinance 2022-8 on its second read, which was seconded by Newsome. Motion approved unanimously.

John Harshbarger read the synopsis for Ordinance 2022-9 to Amend the Zoning Ordinance to Allow Vacation and Short-Term Rentals as Special Exceptions. Council Member Laura Dillon moved to approve Ordinance 2022-9 on its first read, seconded by Roger Newsome. Motion carried 3-0. Dillon moved to suspend the rules and pass the ordinance on second read, which was seconded by Newsome. Motion carried 3-0. After Harshbarger read the synopsis a second time, Dillon moved to adopt Ordinance 2022-9 on its second read, which was seconded by Newsome. Motion approved unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

Unsafe Order of Enforcement 75 S Main St: Kim Hostetler reported that her department is happy with the work done so far, however the county's building commissioner recommended that a structural engineer evaluate the support framework for the roof and floors to accommodate the sectioning of rooms for planned apartments, living quarters and a restaurant. Property owner Elmira Castillo said she would arrange an inspection soon. With a motion from Dillon and a second from Newsome, Council unanimously agreed to extend the OE another 90 days and asked all parties to reappear at the January 9, 2023 meeting for an update.

FEMA Buyout Project: C-T Powell reported offer-to-purchases letters for 280, 498, 520 W McKeever Street and 181 S Berry Street have all been mailed out. She added that Attorney Halverstadt is attempting to locate the land contract buyers for 498 W McKeever St since both letters were returned as undeliverable to their last known address. Kim Hostetler said she asked Joel Buzzard to update his original appraisal for 280 W McKeever as the second parcel, which the home straddles, was not listed on his document. Powell wrapped up the FEMA discussion by saying that DHS Fiscal did not resolve the double reimbursement payment issue before the end of September, so that amount has been added to the books.

Gasoline Contract: Powell asked Council if they wished to reconsider contract pricing after discussing the recent gasoline price hikes. No action was taken, and the matter remains tabled.

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NEW BUSINESS

John Harshbarger introduced Resolution 2022-5 CEDIT Capital Improvement Plan with a first read of the synopsis. Dillon motioned to pass Resolution 2022-5 on its first read, seconded by Newsome. Motion carried 3-0. The Resolution will be considered for approval by Council after its second read at the October 24th meeting.

Salary Ordinance 2022-10 was submitted by C-T Powell and briefly discussed. All agreed it should first be reviewed by Dillon and Powell before consideration of adoption at the October 24th meeting.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Police Department: Marshal Austin Bullock reported that the Town Park has again been targeted by vandals leaving the second heavy-duty glass basketball goal shattered. The vandalism is under investigation, but nobody is talking. Another steel backboard may be constructed sometime next Spring. Active shooter training recently took place that included police personnel from the County, City, and all Towns. In addition, a long list of property complaints was received prompting 18 ordinance violation citations to be written after investigation. An additional 10 violations were observed during the course of this work and those property owners will be issued citations tomorrow.

Fire Department: No representative was present to report to Council.

Utility Department: John Harshbarger reported for Superintendent Colin Bullock who is on vacation this week, stating the street department is trimming trees for school buses and farm equipment, and that a large tree by the funeral home was cut down. In addition, hydrants will be flushed this week and notice was made to the public on the October billing statement.

Clerk-Treasurer: Laury Powell reminded everyone that the Town Hall will host an Early Vote Center on Friday, October 28 from 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Powell will virtually attend a SBOA Called Meeting on October 20, and her office staff will attend the Boyce Software User Meeting in Wabash on December 1. She has also received notification of a TRECS payment in the amount of \$739.13 scheduled for disbursement in mid-October.

CLAIMS

Laura Dillon made a motion to approve the claims, which was seconded by Roger Newsome, Jr. Motion was approved unanimously.

OTHER BUSINESS

C-T Powell told Council that Eric Woodmansee plans to be at the October 24 meeting. He also told Powell that AME Consulting will update data on the pavement asset management plan and submit to LTAP before the December 1, 2022 deadline at no charge to the Town.

Laura Dillon made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:44 p.m., which was seconded by Roger Newsome, Jr.

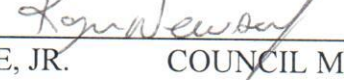
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Approved this 24th day of October 2022.

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