

Town Council Meeting
 Monday, November 14, 2016
 6:00 P.M. Town Hall

Edinburgh Town Council met in a regular session on Monday, November 14, 2016 at 6:00 P.M. at the Town Hall, 107 South Holland Street, Edinburgh, Indiana.

President Kami Ervin called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Members answering roll call were: Councilman Jack Shepherd, Councilman Jeff Simpson, Councilwoman Dawn Graham, Councilman Jerry Lollar, and President Kami Ervin. Also present were Town Attorney Dustin Huddleston and Clerk Treasurer Scott Finley

President Ervin said next on the agenda were the minutes of the council meeting of October 24, 2016 and the executive meeting of October 24, 2016. Councilman Simpson made a motion to approve both minutes as submitted. Councilman Shepherd seconded. Motion carried.

President Ervin said next on the agenda were claims and handed it over to Clerk Treasurer Scott Finley.

Mr. Finley said everyone should have received a copy of the regular claim docket for the period as well as an end-of-month docket for September. The total for the September claim docket was \$186,013.90 and the total for the regular docket was 139,399.35. He said he had signed off on all the claims in those dockets and handed them over to the council for approval. Councilwoman Graham made a motion to approve the claims as submitted. Councilman Lollar seconded. Motion carried.

Councilman Lollar asked about the claim for the IMEA workshop.

Mr. Watson said that was a training session for two of the electric department employees. It is part of their certifications.

Councilman Lollar made a motion to approve all claims as submitted. Councilman Simpson seconded. Motion carried.

President Ervin said next on the agenda was the Public Hearing for Amending Fees for the Waterworks.

Mr. Huddleston said at the previous meeting there was an introduction for the proposed ordinance to adjust the water rates. Indiana law requires that a public hearing be conducted prior to approving the ordinance adjusting those rates. Notice was published in the newspapers about the public hearing and notice was also sent to customers outside the municipal area and citizens owning vacant property.

Mr. Finley confirmed that those notices have been posted and sent out.

President Ervin opened the public hearing. Being no comments from the public she closed the public hearing.

President Ervin said next on the agenda was Ordinance 2016-10 Amending Water Rates. She asked if there were any questions on the ordinance.

Councilman Lollar asked if this ordinance was only for phase 1 of the rate increase.

Mr. Huddleston said that was correct.

Alex Hilt of Umbaugh said he passed out a copy of the rate study and a comparison of water rates of surrounding communities. Even after the adjustment Edinburgh's rates are still some of the lowest in the area.

Councilman Lollar made a motion to approve Ordinance 2016-10. Councilman Simpson seconded. Motion carried.

President Ervin said next on the agenda was Ordinance 2016-11 Waterworks Refunding Revenue Bonds.

Dennis Otten of Bose, McKinney, and Evans was present to explain about the refunding process. He explained the volatility of the interest rates and said the council approving the ordinance at this meeting will give them more flexibility in case the rates start trending up.

Councilman Simpson made a motion to waive the first reading and consider the ordinance for approval. Councilman Shepherd seconded. Motion carried.

Councilman Lollar made a motion to approve Ordinance 2016-11. Councilman Shepherd seconded. Motion carried.

President Ervin said next on the agenda was Ordinance 2016-8 Amending Ordinance 1998-6 Town's Purchasing Agency. Councilman Lollar made a motion to approve Ordinance 2016-8. Councilman Shepherd seconded. Motion carried 4 to 1 with Councilwoman Graham voting nay.

President Ervin said next on the agenda was Resolution 2016-14 Rainy Day Transfer of Funds. She asked Mr. Finley to explain the Resolution.

Mr. Finley said state statute allows the town to transfer up to 10% of the unused budget from the previous year to the Rainy Day Fund. The town had just over \$180,000 left over from the 2015 budget which was under the 10% threshold. This resolution allows \$180,000 to be transferred from the town's General Fund to the Rainy Day Fund. Councilwoman Graham made a motion to approve Resolution 2016-14. Councilman Lollar seconded. Motion carried.

President Ervin said next on the agenda was the Maintenance Contract for Wells 3 and 4. She asked Mr. Watson to explain the contract.

Mr. Watson said the original proposal was to sign a maintenance contract for all four wells. However, since the previous meeting well 2 has failed and because well 1 is even older it may not be a good idea to have a contract for that well either. The new proposal is to sign a maintenance contract for wells 3 and 4.

Discussion was held regarding the maintenance agreement and the urgency to drill a new well.

Councilman Lollar asked Mr. Watson if he had researched other communities who had signed 10 year contracts.

Mr. Watson said yes. He contacted several communities that had signed 10 year agreements but the well maintenance contracts have not been available for 10 years so no contracts have gone the full term yet.

Further discussion was held regarding the cost of the agreement.

Councilwoman Graham made a motion to approve the well maintenance contract for wells 3 and 4. Councilman Lollar seconded. Motion carried.

Councilwoman Graham made a motion to allow President Ervin to sign the agreement on behalf of the council. Councilman Lollar Seconded. Motion carried.

President Ervin said next on the agenda was the Building Commissioner Employment Agreement. She asked Mr. Watson to explain.

Mr. Watson said he would first like to introduce the new Building Commissioner, Nick Valenzuela. He said Mr. Valenzuela has already signed the agreement and it is ready for council signatures.

Mr. Valenzuela introduced himself to the council. He said he is committed to doing a great job and working with the community.

Councilwoman Graham made a motion to approve the employment agreement for Nick Valenzuela. Councilman Shepherd seconded. Motion carried.

President Ervin said next on the agenda was the Eisenhower Drive Project Bid Award. She asked Mr. Watson to explain.

Mr. Watson said this project will be funded by the Community Crossing Grant the town was awarded. The project was put out to bid and the bids were opened in a public meeting. He gave the council copies of the bid tabs. The low bidder on the project was Robertson Paving at \$101,850.

Councilwoman Graham made a motion to award the Eisenhower Drive Project to Robertson Paving. Councilman Simpson seconded. Motion carried.

President Ervin said next on the agenda was Cyber Insurance Quotes. She asked Mr. Watson to present those quotes.

Mr. Watson said the town has been offered cyber insurance in the past but has always declined. He explained what the insurance covers. There is a real need for this insurance based on the credit card transactions and the number of accounts the town's software system holds. The town received quotes from Zeller and Green Owens. Mr. Watson said the staff recommendation is to award the quote to Zeller for the \$1 million coverage.

Mr. Finley said he had received an e-mail from the State Board of Accounts warning that several ransomware viruses have been sent out to cities and towns.

Councilman Simpson made a motion to award the quote to Zeller for the \$1 million coverage. Councilman Shepherd seconded. Motion carried.

President Ervin said next on the agenda was Ashley Getz with Strand Engineering presenting the Long Term Control Plan.

Ms. Getz said this is the third and final public meeting for the Long Term Control Plan. The plan has been approved by IDEM. She gave a brief overview of the plan and explained that nothing has changed in the plan since the last meeting.

President Ervin thanked Ms. Getz and Strand for their work on the Long Term Control Plan.

Council Comments

Councilman Simpson commented on the mailer sent out by IMPA. He said it contained a lot of good information about the town.

Councilwoman Graham asked about the status of East Main Cross Street.

Mr. Watson said the project is basically on schedule. The Holiday lights have been put up on East Main Cross and the Holiday of Lights Festival will still be held.

Councilman Lollar thanked Mr. Watson for the hours worked report. He said he noticed overtime was decreased in all departments except the cemetery. He asked if there was a reason for the increase.

Mr. Watson said the cemetery only has two full time people currently. Overtime in the department comes when there is a funeral on Saturday.

Councilman Lollar asked about the vehicle decals.

Mr. Watson said they have been ordered and should be installed prior to the next council meeting.

Councilman Lollar asked what the status was on the mound sign.

Mr. Watson said the signs will be delivered this week and the company is recommending a metal bracket be put on the sign to increase the strength since it has a seam in the middle.

President Ervin said she wanted to let everyone know that the memorial service for retired Town Marshal Pat Pankey would be held on Wednesday from 11 to 2. She said Stephanie Taylor's husband also passed away. She has served on town boards for a number of years.

Departmental Comments

Town Manager Wade Watson said the railroad crossing on State Road 252 is scheduled to be replaced starting Wednesday. Residents have been notified that there will be a detour in the area while the crossing is closed for 24 to 36 hours.

Mr. Watson said the staff recently found that the town is responsible for County Line Road to the bridge that runs over Interstate 65. That section of the road is in horrible shape. Two quotes were obtained to do repairs on that section of road from Robertson Paving and Milestone. The Milestone quote was \$42,945 for a simple overlay. The Robertson quote was slightly higher at \$48,790 but the process they would do is better and will last longer. The staff recommendation is to award the quote to Robertson Paving for the resurfacing of County Line Road. Councilman Simpson made a motion to award the quote to Robertson paving for resurfacing County Line Road. Councilwoman Graham seconded. Motion carried.

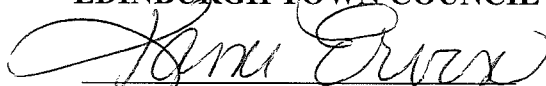
Cemetery Sexton John Hoskinson said if the council wanted to eliminate overtime in the cemetery department they could do away with Saturday funerals.

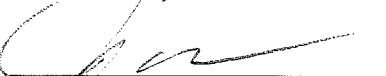
Discussion was held regarding overtime and cemetery labor.

Fire Chief Allen Smith said they had a fire run on the east side of town and it was little difficult with the construction on East Main Cross. Luckily this was the first call they have had with the construction and it was not a house fire.

Being no further business or comments, Councilman Lollar made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilwoman Graham seconded. Motion carried.

EDINBURGH TOWN COUNCIL


Kami Ervin, President


Jeff Simpson, Vice President


Dawn Graham


Jerry Lollar


Jack Shepherd

ATTEST:


Scott Finley, Clerk-Treasurer