

Town Council Meeting  
Monday, November 13, 2017  
6:00 P.M. Town Hall

Edinburgh Town Council met in a regular session on Monday, November 13, 2017 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 special meeting of October 23, 2017 and the council meeting of October 23, 2017. Councilwoman Graham made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted. Councilman Lollar seconded. Motion carried.

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

Mr. Finley said the council received two claim dockets in their council packet. One was regular docket for the period and the other was an end-of-month docket for September. The total for the end-of-month docket was \$249,489.45 and the total for the regular docket was \$211,412.33. He said he had signed off on all the claims in those dockets and handed them over to the council for approval. Councilman Simpson made a motion to approve the claims as submitted. Councilman Shepherd seconded. Motion carried.

President Ervin said next on the agenda was the introduction of the new Fire and EMS Chaplain, Justin Surface.

Fire Chief Allen Smith said the department has had a difficult time trying to replace the previous Chaplain, Doug Wright. He said Mr. Surface has been coming to the department and checking on them every now and then and he and Town Manager Wade Watson met with the Surface's and asked if he would be interested in being the new Chaplain. Mr. Surface agreed and he wanted to introduce him in a council meeting. Mr. Surface is the Pastor of Blue River Baptist Church. Mr. Smith introduced Justin, his wife Cassie, and their son Josiah to the council.

Mr. Smith presented Mr. Surface with an honorary badge.

The council thanked Mr. Surface for agreeing to be the Chaplain.

President Ervin said next on the agenda was the first reading of Ordinance 2017-7 Amending Ordinance 1989-6 Regarding the Marketplace Fund. She asked Mr. Finley to explain the ordinance.

Mr. Finley said as he stated a few meetings back, the Marketplace Fund did not have an ordinance setting up the uses of the fund. Mr. Huddleston drafted an ordinance stating that the fund can be used for any lawful purpose but the council will first consider applying the funds to support the police, ambulance/rescue, and fire services which provide services to the area.

President Ervin said this is a first reading so voting will be held at the next meeting.

President Ervin said next on the agenda was the first reading of Ordinance 2017-8 Acceptance of Roads of the Timbergate Development. She asked Mr. Huddleston to explain.

Mr. Huddleston said when Timbergate was developed there was never a clear document dedicating the roads to the town. The town has been assuming control over those roads. An issue came up with the entrance of Timbergate and during research it was found that the roads were never dedicated. This ordinance will retroactively accept the infrastructure. Once it is passed it will be recorded in Shelby and Johnson counties since the roads run through both counties.

President Ervin said again this is a first reading and a vote will be held at the next council meeting.

President Ervin said next on the agenda was the Timbergate update presented by Golf Course General Manager Wayne Gibbs.

Mr. Gibbs presented a PowerPoint presentation for the third quarter of 2017. He explained that both revenues and expenses were up from 2016. Deducting the bond payment made in July left a profit of \$70,309.58 for the quarter. His next slide showed a breakdown of revenues. His last slide showed a year to date summary of expenses and revenues.

The council thanked Mr. Gibbs for his presentation.

### **Council Comments**

President Ervin said she enjoyed the Trunk-or-Treat at the parks department. She thanked Mr. Teter and his staff for their work on the event.

Mr. Finley said he received a letter requesting a donation to Clothe-A-Child from the school and asked the council if they would like to make a donation.

Councilman Simpson made a motion to allow a \$500 donation to Clothe-A-Child. Councilwoman Graham seconded. Motion carried.

### **Departmental Comments**

Town Marshall Dave Mann said he would like to introduce the newest Police Officer, Ryan Coy. He also introduced his children, Cayden and Nicolas, and his wife Heather. Mr. Coy was a reserve with the department and has continued to work and learn to become a full time officer.

Mr. Finley performed the oath of office for Mr. Coy and congratulated him on his position.

Fire Chief Allen Smith presented ambulance bids for a new ambulance. He said the low bid was for an Osage Ambulance from North Central Emergency Vehicles. The bid was \$165,485.00 after a \$12,000 trade-in allowance. He said he also had a bid to remount the old box on a new chassis but the bid was over \$150,000 and he has had issues in the past with remounts. Councilman Lollar made a motion to allow the purchase of a new Osage Ambulance from North Central Emergency Vehicles. Councilman Shepherd seconded. Motion carried.

Mr. Smith said he received an envelope with a donation from a gentleman from Austin. The letter said over 25 years ago he received a food box from the Edinburgh Fire Department. He was embarrassed at the time but was in need of the items. The donation was a thank you for that gesture.

Town Manager Wade Watson said our thoughts, prayers, and condolences go out to the family of the victim of the train accident. The federal government has approved increased train traffic and speeds through Edinburgh despite the town's objections. The train involved in the accident was not going full speed and the lights at the crossing were working. He warned citizens to use extreme caution when going through railroad crossings.

Mr. Watson said the town received the official letter from OCRA approving the Waste Water Grant. He invited the council to the award ceremony on December 6<sup>th</sup> at 2 P.M.

Mr. Watson said the town has also received numbers for the 2017 health insurance plan. The increase was a modest 5%. The agent of record has done a great job of obtaining the lowest prices for the town.

Mr. Watson said he just received today the proposal from Strand Engineering for the East Main Cross project. He will have that ready for council to review hopefully by the next council meeting.

Mr. Gibbs presented a proposal for the purchase of growth covers for the tee beds at the golf course. He said the covers will promote the growth of bent grass on the par 3 tee beds during the

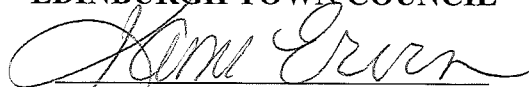
winter and spring and will prevent the need for new sod or seed in the future. The low quote was \$2,039.33 from Covermaster. The funds would come from the Shelby County EDIT Fund. Councilman Simpson made a motion to allow the purchase of growth covers from Covermaster. Councilwoman Graham seconded. Motion carried.


**Public Comments**


Nancy West of the Ministerial Association wanted to thank the town for their support of the food pantry and said it would not be possible without the town's help.

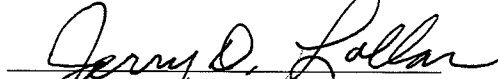
Being no further business or comments, Councilman Simpson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilwoman Graham seconded. Motion carried.


**EDINBURGH TOWN COUNCIL**

  
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Kami Ervin, President

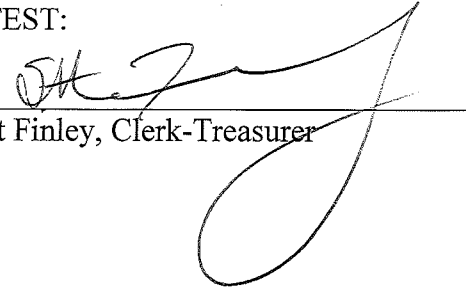
  
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Scott Finley, Clerk-Treasurer