

Town Council Meeting
 Monday, December 28, 2015
 6:00 P.M. Town Hall

Edinburgh Town Council met in a regular session on Monday, December 28, 2015 at 6:00 P.M. at the Town Hall, 107 South Holland Street, Edinburgh, Indiana.

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

President Hoffman thanked everyone for coming.

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

President Hoffman said next on the agenda were the minutes of the council meeting of December 14, 2015. Councilwoman Ervin made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted. Councilman Simpson seconded. Unanimous.

President Hoffman said claims were next on the agenda and handed it over to Clerk Treasurer Scott Finley. Mr. Finley said everyone should have received a copy of the normal claim docket in their council packets. He said he had three claims to add to the docket. One to Shelby County for election costs, one to Johnson County for election costs, and one to Steven R. Jenkins for uniforms for the police department. With those additions the total for that claim docket was \$713,915.95. He said he had signed off on all the claims in that docket and handed them over to the council for approval. Councilman Simpson made a motion to approve the claims as submitted. Councilwoman Ervin seconded. Unanimous.

President Hoffman said next on the agenda was Resolution 2015-17 Adopt a Written Fiscal Plan for Annexation. This has been on the agenda for the last couple of meetings and is regarding the annexation on Lind Drive. Councilman Simpson made a motion to approve Resolution 2015-17. Councilman Shepherd seconded. Unanimous.

President Hoffman said next on the agenda was the fiscal plan and staff report. He asked Town Manager Wade Watson if he had anything further to add.

Mr. Watson said he does not believe there is any new information regarding the fiscal plan but he would be happy to answer any questions about the plan. He reiterated that the town is already providing all services to the property that it would provide to an annexed property other than trash removal. Councilwoman Ervin made a motion to approve the fiscal plan and staff report as submitted. Councilman Simpson seconded. Unanimous.

President Hoffman said next on the agenda was the Resolution of the Shelby County Commissioners. He asked Mr. Huddleston if he had any updates on that resolution.

Mr. Huddleston said the Shelby County Commissioners met on December 21, 2015. Presented to them was the resolution that has been given to the council. The resolution was unanimously approved by the commissioners. He stated to them that he would provide them with copies of all the documents after they have been recorded.

President Hoffman said next on the agenda was Ordinance 2015-10 Annexing Along Lind Drive. He asked if there was any further discussion on the ordinance. Councilwoman Ervin made a motion to approve Ordinance 2015-10. Councilman Shepherd seconded. Unanimous.

President Hoffman said next on the agenda was Ordinance 2015-11 Salary Ordinance. He said there has not been many changes but there have been a few. He asked Mr. Finley to explain the changes.

Mr. Finley said there were a few things that needed to be adjusted for the 2016 pay year. He explained to the council the changes that were made from last year. Councilman Simpson made a motion to approve Ordinance 2015-11 as submitted. Councilwoman Ervin seconded. Unanimous.

President Hoffman said next on the agenda was Ordinance 2015-12 Transfer of Appropriations. He asked Mr. Finley to explain the ordinance.

Mr. Finley said this is an ordinance that is done at the end of each year as an accounting clean-up. Certain line items within a fund may have gone over while some others may have had appropriations left over. This allows the transfer of appropriations to the funds that went into the hole. Councilwoman Ervin made a motion to approve Ordinance 2015-12. Councilman Simpson seconded. Unanimous.

President Hoffman said next on the agenda was Resolution 2015-21 Board Appointments to the Redevelopment Commission. He said he did not want to make any appointments because he would not be on the council next year but because the Redevelopment Commission must meet the first working day of the new year, he must appoint at least one so the commission can have a quorum. The resolution appoints one member by the president, Matt Ervin, and two members by the council, Karen Fitzpatrick and Ray Walton. The president in 2016 will still need to fill two spots. Councilman Simpson made a motion to approve Resolution 2015-21. Councilman Shepherd seconded. Unanimous.

President Hoffman said next on the agenda was the public official bond for Scott Finley. It is required that the Clerk-Treasurer be covered by a bond.

Mr. Finley said there has been a change in the statute that says the bond must run on a year to year basis from January 1 to December 31. The bond amount is based on the revenues brought in by the town and because the Town of Edinburgh exceeds the limit, the bond must be for the maximum amount of \$300,000. Councilwoman Ervin made a motion to approve the official bond for Scott Finley as submitted. Councilman Simpson seconded. Unanimous.

President Hoffman said next on the agenda was the public official bond for David Mann. The amount of that bond is \$15,000.

Mr. Finley said he had just spoke with Larry Mayfield of Zeller Insurance and found that the dates on the bond are incorrect. Again, bonds must now run from January 1 to December 31.

Larry Mayfield said the statute changed in 2015 so there is some leeway on bonds outstanding. Mr. Mann's bond was originally set up in March and therefore ran from March to March. The bond can retroactively be put in effect for January 1, 2016 but the town will not receive any reimbursement for the bond that expires in March.

Councilwoman Ervin asked if Mr. Drybread still had an active bond.

Mr. Mayfield said yes.

Councilwoman Ervin asked if Mr. Watson should be bonded since he is acting town manager.

Mr. Mayfield said we should execute a bond for Mr. Watson as well since he is assuming those duties. He said he would contact the office tomorrow and get that process started.

Councilman Simpson made a motion to approve the public official bond for David Mann. Councilwoman Ervin seconded. Unanimous.

President Hoffman said next on the agenda was 2015 Encumbrances. He asked Mr. Finley to explain.

Mr. Finley said there was one encumbrance this year from the Fire and Rescue. The encumbrance is to Waymire for emergency lighting. The amount will be \$1,650 from 101-260-422025 and \$1,650 from 101-250-422025 for a total of \$3,300. Councilman Simpson made a motion to approve the encumbrances as submitted. Councilman Shepherd seconded. Unanimous.

President Hoffman said next on the agenda was the Edinburgh Redevelopment Commission Annual Report presented by John Rondot.

Mr. Rondot said he asked Mary Patterson to put this report on the agenda and also in the council packets. It has also been reviewed by Mr. Huddleston. He said he would be happy to answer any questions the council may have.

President Hoffman thanked Mr. Rondot for the report and also thanked him for his time on the commission as he will not be on the commission next year.

Mr. Rondot said he has enjoyed being on the commission and he is only leaving for personal reasons. He said he just turned 75 and thinks it is time for some younger people with new ideas to take over those positions. He also resigned from the Data Board in Bartholomew County that he was on for 35 years.

Council Comments

Councilwoman Ervin presented a plaque to President Hoffman on behalf of the council and the town employees for recognition of his service on the Edinburgh Town Council. She said she has enjoyed working with him and it has been an amazing honor.

Mr. Huddleston said it has been a pleasure working with Mr. Hoffman and he appreciates all his efforts over the years.

Mr. Finley said also said it has been a pleasure working with Mr. Hoffman and he appreciates the doors he and the rest of the council opened for him.

Departmental Comments

Timbergate Manager Wayne Gibbs thanked Mr. Hoffman for his service and said he has done a wonderful job on the council.

Town Manager Wade Watson said he appreciated the leadership that Mr. Hoffman showed while on the town council. He said he has worked under a lot of leaders over the years and cannot think of one he respected more than Mr. Hoffman.

Parks Director Daniel Teter also thanked Mr. Hoffman for his service. He said the parks department has basketball season starting up and they are already planning for little league in the spring.

Street Superintendent Curtis Rooks said he wanted to let the council know that he had four trucks ready to go in the event of a snowstorm. The salt barn is also at capacity so the town should be in good shape if a snowstorm should occur. He also thanked Mr. Hoffman for his service to the community and for his leadership as president of the council. The town is in a lot better shape now than it was before he came on to the council.

Wastewater Superintendent Glenn Giles said he would like to thank Mr. Hoffman for his 8 years of leadership and he truly enjoyed working with him.

Director of Administration Mary Patterson said she has worked under many different council presidents and Mr. Hoffman has conducted himself and handled situations very professionally. She said she will miss working with him.

Fire Chief Allen Smith said he appreciates what Mr. Hoffman has done for the fire department and all employees of the town.

Assistant Water Superintendent Bill Jones said the water department thanks him for his service and will miss his leadership.

Public Comments

Jerry Lollar of 210 W. Campbell Street thanked Mr. Hoffman for his service on the council. He said as a newly elected council member he hopes that he can operate with the board and make good decisions for the town and do it with transparency.

Carl Crider of 800 E. Thompson Street said it is difficult to be a council member and it is not always appreciated but Mr. Hoffman has done a great job and he appreciates all that he has done.

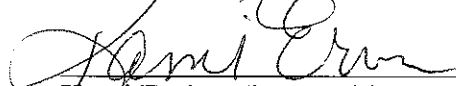
Larry Mayfield of Zeller Insurance said he has had the privilege of being the insurance agent for the town for six or seven years. He works with a lot of municipalities and a lot of elected public officials. He said Mr. Hoffman has the most integrity of anyone he has had the privilege of working with and always has the good of the people of Edinburgh in his heart. He said he will miss working with him.

President Hoffman thanked everyone for their comments. He said everyone knows this will be his last meeting as a member of the town council and it has been an honor and a privilege to serve on this board and with these town council members. He ran for council eight years ago because he wanted to make a positive difference in the town. There were a lot of things he saw that needed changed and he believes he and the members of the council did a good job of changing them for the better. He said he believes the council over the past 8 years has had the opportunity to put the right people in the right jobs to make a difference in the town. He thanked Dustin Huddleston for helping the council do things the right way and the legal way. He thanked Scott Finley for his work on helping the council better understand and be more involved with the budget process. He thanked Wayne Gibbs for coming in after a huge mess at the golf course and running the course the way it should be run. He thanked Wade Watson and said he has been the best building commissioner he has seen. He thanked David Mann for improving the perception of the Edinburgh Police Department and always making a difference in the town. He thanked all the department heads for the great work they do on a day to day basis.


Being no further business or comments, Councilman Simpson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilman Shepherd seconded. Unanimous.

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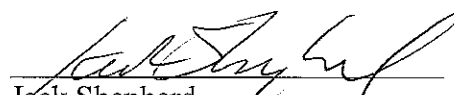
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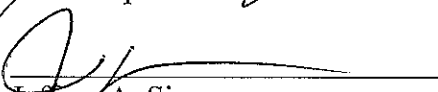
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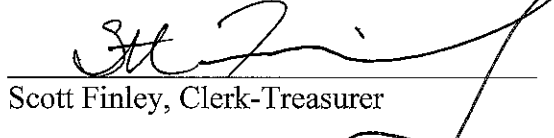


Jack Shepherd



Jeffrey A. Simpson

ATTEST:



Scott Finley, Clerk-Treasurer