Town Council Meeting Monday, July 11, 2016 6:00 P.M. Town Hall

Edinburgh Town Council met in a regular session on Monday, July 11, 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, Vice President 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 executive meeting of June 27, 2016 and the council meeting of June 27, 2016. Councilwoman Graham made a motion to approve both sets of minutes as submitted. Councilman Simpson 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 claim docket for the period. The total for the claim docket was \$235,790.77. He said he had signed off on all the claims in that docket and handed them over to the council for approval.

Councilwoman Graham asked how often the lease payments on vehicles were paid.

Mr. Finley said most of the leases are on a three year term and are paid twice a year.

Mr. Lollar asked about the purchase of the bush hog by the street department. He asked if the town got three bids for that purchase and if anything was traded in towards the equipment.

Street Superintendent Curtis Rooks said he did obtain three quotes for that purchase.

Interim Town Manager Wade Watson said the department traded the old bush hog as well as a few other pieces of obsolete equipment.

Mr. Lollar asked what the \$8,300 was for from the Shelby County Edit fund.

Mr. Finley said that was for the new fence around the golf maintenance barn and three quotes were obtained for that project as well.

Councilwoman Graham made a motion to approve the claims as submitted. Councilman Shepherd seconded. Motion carried.

President Ervin said next on the agenda was the second reading of Ordinance 2016-5 Materiality Threshold Policy. She asked Mr. Finley to remind the council of the ordinance.

Mr. Finley said this is a required ordinance by the SBOA. The ordinance sets a threshold at which the town reports losses, shortages, and thefts to the SBOA. That threshold will be set at \$2,000. Mr. Huddleston was able to review the ordinance and said that it did conform with the statutes. Councilman Simpson made a motion to approve Ordinance 2016-5. Councilman Lollar seconded. Motion carried.

President Ervin said next on the agenda was the second reading of Ordinance 2016-6 Internal Control Policy. She asked Mr. Finley to again remind the council of the ordinance.

Mr. Finley said this is another ordinance mandated by the SBOA. This ordinance adopts the control standards set by the SBOA for the town's fiscal policies. Mr. Huddleston has reviewed the ordinance and said it did conform with the statutes. Councilman Simpson made a motion to approve Ordinance 2016-6. Councilman Lollar seconded. Motion carried.

President Ervin said next on the agenda was the Strand Engineering Long Term Control Plan resubmittal. Ashley Getz of Strand was present to explain the resubmittal process.

Ms. Getz said the original plan was presented to the council in March of 2016. It was submitted to IDEM and they responded with some verbal comments. Some slight changes were made to the original document and were submitted in June. One comment was they wanted to see more public meetings informing the citizens of the issues which is the main reason for this presentation. None of the changes were drastic and one change will actually save the town some money. Originally the town was going to raise the banks of the lagoon above the 10 year flood plain but IDEM decided that was not necessary. The total timeline for the plan is 10 years. Over this time the town will collect data. IDEM is concerned that the plant is not receiving maximum flow before directing flow to the lagoon. The cheapest way to correct this problem will be with a diversion manhole. The total project cost will be approximately \$1.3 million. The plan has been resubmitted to IDEM and they will give any additional comments in a letter. She said she does not anticipate any major changes.

Councilwoman Ervin asked Mr. Watson to explain how the town would be funding this project.

Mr. Watson said the town took this project into account when doing its last rate study. The wastewater department will be accumulating these funds through regular revenues.

President Ervin thanked Ms. Getz for her work on the project.

President Ervin said next on the agenda was the Town Attorney Contract Renewal. The contract was included with the council packets. The only change was the dates on the contract. The rate will remain the same. Councilman Simpson made a motion to approve the attorney contract renewal as submitted. Councilwoman Graham seconded. Motion carried.

Council Comments

Councilman Shepherd said he would encourage everyone to read the article on Rick Wilson who owns the art shop downtown. He was selected by the state to do 70 paintings of all the state parks for the bicentennial. He did all 70 paintings in two years and they went on display at the state museum in Richmond. He has sold 24 of those paintings. The display will go around the state over the next months and will be in Nashville in December and January. Mr. Wilson always mentions Edinburgh and is very proud of the town.

Councilman Shepherd said he scheduled a tour of the wastewater plant and was amazed by the process. The crew is very experienced and do a wonderful job.

Councilman Simpson asked about the signage on the hill on Eisenhower and US 31.

Park Director Daniel Teter said he has not been able to obtain more masonry quotes.

Councilman Simpson asked if he would re-present the original quotes.

Mr. Teter said he would bring all the quotes to the next council meeting.

Councilman Lollar asked if the speeding in the golf course area has decreased.

Town Marshal David Mann said the area has been covered heavily. There have been vehicles stopped but no tickets have been written as officers have not found anyone speeding to the point that a ticket was necessary.

Councilwoman Ervin said she knows the council approved the staff recommendation regarding the speeds in that area. She asked if the ordinance was included in that recommendation.

Mr. Watson said yes but to his knowledge the ordinance had not been revised yet so the only enforceable speed limit is 30 mph. Councilman Lollar made a motion to allow Mr. Huddleston to draft an ordinance per the staff's recommendation on speed limits in the golf course. Councilman Shepherd seconded.

Councilman Lollar thanked Fire Chief Allen Smith for his monthly reports. He asked what the \$1,400 was for on car 41.

Mr. Smith said he had encumbered some money from 2015 but it was not enough. There will be another claim of about \$900 to finish the project.

President Ervin thanked everyone involved with the Firecracker Festival. The fireworks were great as well as the festival.

Mr. Finley handed out to the council preliminary budget dates for 2017 including dates of adoption, public hearing, and budget workshops. He said the town's budget workshop with the DLGF will be on August 3, 2016. After that there will be workshops with the council and department heads.

Departmental Comments

Mr. Watson gave a quick update on the storm water project. We anticipated having release of funds from OCRA two weeks ago but still have not received notification of that yet. That should happen on July 12, 2016 at which point the project can be awarded to the apparent low bidder.

Town Marshall David Mann said this coming Wednesday will be the public inspection of the police department. All of the officers and equipment will be present and he hopes everyone can attend. He said both Bartholomew County and Johnson County Sheriff's departments will be covering the town during those few hours.

Fire Chief Allen Smith said for years there was a no fireworks policy in the park. Kids are starting to bring their own fireworks in and one child was hurt this year.

Mr. Teter said the signs are still posted stating no outside fireworks.

Mr. Teter passed out a flier showing the events happening in July. Little league awards will be this week. Registration for fall softball will be starting soon and there will be a few events at the pool this month.

Public Comments

Don McQueen of 521 High School Drive said his utilities have been fluctuating greatly. He said he believes something may be wrong with the metering.

President Ervin said she would recommend talking to the ladies in the utility office to see if there is an issue.

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

EDINBURGH TOWN COUNCIL

ami Ervin, President

Jeff Simpson, Vice President

Dawn Graham

Jack Shepherd

ATTEST:

Scott Finley, Clerk-Treasurer