Town Council Meeting Monday, October 23, 2017 6:00 P.M. Town Hall

Edinburgh Town Council met in a regular session on Monday, October 23, 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 council meeting of October 9, 2017 and the special meeting of October 16, 2017. Councilman Lollar made a motion to approve the 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 the council received a copy of the claim docket in their council packet. The total for the claim docket was \$704,885.87. 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. Councilman Shepherd seconded. Motion carried.

President Ervin said next on the agenda was Resolution 2017-8 Conveying Real Property to the Town of Edinburgh Redevelopment Commission. She asked Mr. Watson to explain the resolution.

Mr. Watson said Common Wealth was able to provide answers to some of the issues that were raised at the last meeting. He explained that they have at least four other properties that have underground parking. In regards to the long term maintenance question, they sent a link to a Google Street View of a property that was constructed in 2004. He explained that the property was very well kept and you would not have guessed it was built 13 years ago. Regarding the bidding process, they stated their team solicits local contractors as well as contractors that have worked on other projects in the area. A notice to bid is published in local papers.

Mr. Watson said they also were able to give a response regarding retention ponds. They stated that in the event that they could not connect to the towns utility they had two other options. One would be a dry retention pond surrounded by a privacy fence and the other would be an underground retention pond. He explained that there are multiple dry retention ponds in the town including Newbury Apartments. Mr. Watson said the staff recommendation is to approve Resolution 2017-8 and transfer the property to the Redevelopment Commission. He said Common Wealth is still planning on doing this project but will not be applying for the grant in November.

President Ervin asked at what point citizens would be able to voice their concerns with this project.

Mr. Watson said the November 1st Board of Zoning Appeals meeting would be a great time.

Town Attorney Dustin Huddleston said if they council chooses to approve this resolution it will not become effective until the Redevelopment Commission passes their companion resolution to accept the property.

Councilman Simpson made a motion to approve Resolution 2017-8. Councilman Shepherd seconded. Motion carried.

Council Comments

Mr. Huddleston said two meetings ago Resolution 2017-7 was approved by the council waiving non-compliance by MacBeath Hardwood. That resolution has been filed and the abatement should be active.

Mr. Huddleston said on Wednesday he will be attending mediation for the Blue River Dam litigation. Any decisions will be made by the insurance company but he will be in attendance and will report back to the council.

Departmental Comments

Town Marshall David Mann said Officer Nathan Sell is currently attending academy and will be there through February. Also, Ryan Coy has accepted the open officer position. He will start in about three weeks.

Parks Director Daniel Teter submitted a request to move forward with installing the HVAC system in the Blue River Building. He has asked four companies to submit quotes and has received two quotes back. He said he would like to get permission to award the bid to the lowest bidder when all quotes are received, not to exceed \$21,000. Councilman Simpson made a motion to allow Mr. Teter to award the HVAC bid to the lowest bidder after all quotes have been received, not to exceed \$21,000. Councilwoman Graham seconded. Motion carried.

Town Manager Wade Watson presented a proposal from Strand Engineering to do the engineering work for the East Main Cross project. After reviewing the proposal with the Street Superintendent they decided to have them submit a design estimate for the entire project instead of just a portion. Strand did the engineering for the Storm Water project so they are very familiar with the information for this project.

Mr. Watson gave an update on Well 5. He said the platform has been delivered and it is being assembled. They have also begun laying pipe. There should be a determination on the permit by DNR by this Friday.

Bill Jones of 7795 East State Road 252 said he is hoping the town can get the noise ordinance sign in place for the Jake Brake issue on 252.

Mr. Watson said the town applied for a permit to post a sign for our noise ordinance and was rejected. They will not approve the sign unless the ordinance is updated to state a specific decibel level.

Mr. Jones thanked the council for their efforts.

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

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Jeff Simpson, Vice President

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ATTEST:

Scott Finley, Clerk-Treasurer