Town Council Meeting Monday, August 27, 2018 6:00 P.M. Town Hall

Edinburgh Town Council met in a regular session on Monday, August 27, 2018 at 6:00 P.M. at the Town Hall, 107 South Holland Street, Edinburgh, Indiana.

Vice President Jerry Lollar 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, and Vice President Jerry Lollar. Also present were Town Attorney Dustin Huddleston and Clerk-Treasurer Scott Finley. President Kami Ervin was absent.

Vice President Lollar said next on the agenda were the minutes of the council meeting of August 13, 2018 and the budget workshop of August 13, 2018. Councilman Simpson made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted. Councilwoman Graham seconded. Motion carried.

Vice President Lollar said next on the agenda were claims. The council received a copy of the claim docket in their packet. The total of that docket was \$849,568.92. Mr. Finley said he had signed off on all the claims in that docket and handed them over to the council for approval. Councilman Shepherd made a motion to approve the claims as submitted. Councilwoman Graham seconded. Motion carried.

Vice President Lollar said next on the agenda was the Jeff Smith Agreement. He asked Town Attorney Dustin Huddleston to give an update on that agreement.

Mr. Huddleston gave an explanation of the changes Mr. Smith had requested. The changes included updating the numbers from his insurance policy and lessening the restrictions he has at the course. Golf Course General Manager Wayne Gibbs is ok with requests. Mr. Huddleston said he does not have any issues with the agreement but if any issues arise Mr. Gibbs will have to deal with them at that time. Mr. Smith has approved the changes.

Councilwoman Graham made a motion to approve the changes to the Jeff Smith agreement as submitted. Councilman Shepherd seconded. Motion carried.

Councilwoman Graham made a motion to allow President Ervin to sign the Jeff Smith agreement on behalf of the council. Councilman Simpson seconded. Motion carried.

Council Comments

Councilman Shepherd said he was glad to see the trim staining underway at the community center and signs going up for work on East Main Cross.

Councilman Simpson said he wanted to thank Mr. Finley for all the work he has done on the budget this year and he appreciates his efforts.

Mr. Huddleston said most likely at the next meeting the council will have for consideration documents for approving four TIF districts. The Planning Commission and Redevelopment Commissions have approved their respective resolutions recommending approval of the TIF districts.

Vice President Lollar said if the council members are not familiar with TIF districts he would urge them to go online and do some research on the pros and cons of them.

Departmental Comments

Town Manager Wade Watson gave an update on current projects. He said at the previous meeting the council approved a new parking schedule in the downtown area and signs would be going up

as soon as they come in. The well #3 rehabilitation is underway and going well and it should be completed in the next few weeks. He said the staining at the community center is almost complete. He gave an update on the East Main Cross project and said a schedule has been submitted. It is scheduled to be done on time and there are penalties to the contractor if it is not completed on time. The wastewater project is moving along and on schedule. He said the park restroom facility and the Rest Haven building projects are both ready for public bid and will be advertised in the coming weeks.

Town Marshall Dave Mann said at the previous meeting he had submitted quote for new Tasers. He would like to move forward with the low quote of \$19,013.40. It would be a five year payment schedule and the Tasers would be under warranty for the entire five years. Councilman Simpson made a motion to approve the quote for Tasers for \$19,013.40. Councilwoman Graham seconded. Motion carried.

Town Marshall Mann submitted a quote for ballistic body armor as well. He said it has been difficult to get three quotes for these vests. He would like to purchase enough vests for all reserve officers. He said the town does have a federal grant that will reimburse us for 50% of the cost. Councilman Simpson made a motion to approve the purchase of ballistic vests from Midwest Public Safety Solutions for \$6,985. Councilman Shepherd seconded. Motion carried.

Fire Chief Allen Smith said the new ambulance is in service and he brought it to the meeting if anyone would like to see if after the meeting. He informed the public that the purchase was made from the Fire and EMS Non-Reverting Operating fund and not from tax dollars.

Mr. Smith said Logan Coffey has resigned his position as full time EMT. It has been posted internally and is now also posted externally. He said he has had one good candidate to fill the position. Councilman Simpson made a motion to allow Mr. Smith to fill the vacant EMT position. Councilman Shepherd seconded. Motion carried.

Community Center Director SaraBeth Drybread gave an update from her position. She attended a ribbon cutting for the Ivy Tech Cyber Academy at Muscatatuck. She said it was a privilege to be able to attend the event. She said the parks department is planning for the Fall Festival and the new parade route will be posted online. She gave a description of that route. The mural will be completed soon. She said she is continuing to work with downtown merchants and a good partnership with the Pixie Theatre has come about. There will be a concert on September 6th and they will be asking for donations for the Johnson County Animal Shelter. The Pixie is also investing in better equipment and will be showing three movies in the last quarter of 2018. She gave an update on the Stellar Communities program.

Public Comments

Janice Burton of 504 Fulford Drive said a property has come up for sale at the back of the cemetery and she does not want to see them put a business there.

Vice President Lollar said the council will look into that and see if the town would have any interest in the property.

Ms. Burton said the "See tracks, think trains" rail road signs are blowing over near the tracks.

Mr. Watson said those belong to the rail road but the staff will get them put back up.

Gail McQueen of 521 High School Drive asked if there was any plan to paint the back of the downtown buildings near the new mural to make the area look better.

Mr. Watson said those buildings are all privately owned and we cannot force those owners to paint their buildings. We could possibly ask them to paint them but we cannot control that.

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

EDINBURGH TOWN-COUNCIL

Kami Ervin, President

Dawn Graham

Jack Shepherd

Jeff/Simpson

ATTEST:

Scott Finley, Clerk-Treasurer