

Town Council Meeting
Monday, October 22, 2012
6:00 P.M. Town Hall

Edinburgh Town Council met in a regular session on Monday, October 22, 2012 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 John Drybread, Councilman Jeff Simpson, Councilwoman Kami Ervin, Vice President Curtis Rooks and President Ron Hoffman. Also present was Clerk Treasurer Jackie Smith and Town Attorney Dustin Huddleston.

President Hoffman presented the minutes of the October 8, 2012 council meeting, the October 10, 2012 executive meeting and the October 11, 2012 executive meeting. Councilman Rooks made a motion to approve the minutes. Councilwoman Ervin seconded. Unanimous.

President Hoffman said claims were next on the agenda and turned it over to Clerk Treasurer Smith.

Clerk Treasurer Smith said he had taken home all the claims this weekend and signed them and turned them over to the council for approval. Councilman Simpson made a motion to approve the claims. Councilman Drybread seconded Unanimous.

President Hoffman said next on the agenda was the discussion on the new Town Marshall.

Councilman Simpson said we appreciate the ones that applied who are on the force now. We decided to go outside this time and we did interviews and I think my recommendation would be David Mann.

Councilman Rooks said I agree with Jeff. We appreciate all the candidates we had and I think Mr. Mann would be the right fit for us.

Councilwoman Ervin said she agreed with Jeff and Curtis on Mr. Mann.

Councilman Drybread said it was a pretty extensive process with a lot of good applicants both internally and externally. I think David Mann would be good for the community and we are fortunate to have someone with his qualifications, experience and education for this community.

President Hoffman said I do appreciate all the guys from the current police department that put in their resumes. I also think David Mann is the right man for the job.

Councilman Simpson made the motion to hire David Mann as Town Marshall. Councilman Rooks seconded. Unanimous.

President Hoffman said all this is pending Pat's retirement agreement with the town. David Mann is a two-term sheriff with the Bartholomew County Sheriff's Department and interviewed very well. Ron introduced David Mann.

David Mann said he is looking forward to this opportunity with much enthusiasm and I think it will be a good mix. I am truly looking forward to working with the department as well as the community. David introduced his wife Tosha. David said for those who have applied for this position I am looking to them for their visions and leadership. We have a big job ahead of us over the next few days and I hope to put together an on board plan that I can follow and hit day one running. I am looking to the officer's willingness to work with pride and professionalism. I have always had an open door policy for anybody in the community who would like to speak with me.

President Hoffman said to refresh you Pat Pankey's last day is October 31 and Mr. Mann will begin on November 1. I am sure Mr. Lutz will be more than helpful and will help you get what ever you need. It's great to have you aboard.

David Mann thanked them.

President Hoffman said next on the agenda was ordinance 2012-14 noise ordinance.

Councilwoman Ervin said this is a mixture of different ordinances from towns of similar size. I tried to keep it simple. Wade and Dave Lutz have looked it over and it was given to Dustin for review, then we put it together. Do you have anything you would like to discuss on it?

Councilman Simpson said Kami did a good job and he appreciates that, but the only thing he has a problem with is the 10-6 times. Jeff said most people sleep at night, but I sleep during the day.

Councilwoman Ervin asked do you want me to eliminate that?

Councilman Simpson said yes it should be left to the officer's discretion.

Councilman Rooks said you have put some exceptions in, but being with the school with snow removal we are out at 4 in the morning scraping and blowing snow and I didn't see in there where that exempts us. The same with businesses that have snow removal and I noticed you had snow blowers on the other page.

Councilwoman Ervin said under section 3 it talks about sounds associated with normal conduct of legally established non-transient businesses. Kami said town vehicles or other emergency vehicles we could add contracted businesses that are out early.

Councilman Rooks said this is the only issue that I have because of the school and private businesses that are trying to get things open up for business.

Councilwoman Ervin said then we need to look at section 2-c which has the 10-6 and section 3 to due the weather related equipment.

Councilman Rooks said besides that he thought it was a very good ordinance.

Councilman Drybread said from his perspective what ever is enforceable to leave alone and let the police enforce it.

President Hoffman said I understand Jeff and it is all up to the police department on their decision to be made and it comes down to their discretion and if they use good judgment like we always have that won't be a problem. This is well written.

Councilwoman Ervin said I have no problems going back and making revisions if that is what the majority wants.

President Hoffman said only a couple, the school issue and the time.

Councilwoman Ervin asked if they don't want to put in any times?

Town Attorney Huddleston said if you have specific times it gives it more parameters to work with than it would have if you eliminate the time.

Councilwoman Ervin said there are a few things we need to go back and review.

Councilman Rooks said it says to give a warning first and then a fine, so it's not like they get fined the first time.

Councilwoman Ervin said I will take these two sections and rephrase them and e-mail the revisions to Dustin if that is okay with you.

Councilman Drybread said that will work.

President Hoffman said it will be up to Mr. Lutz for a day or two and then Mr. Mann to lead the police officers on how to handle that.

Councilwoman Ervin said it won't be ready until Mr. Mann takes office and I will get it to him if he would like to see it.

COUNCIL COMMENTS: Councilman Drybread said the haunted house has taken in \$ 3,500. John said he met with Strand Engineering this week and they are putting together a presentation to share with the board on the comprehensive plan. The parking lot is going to be paved and we are running underground power lines for lights in the corners and one thing we don't have is a sign out there for the Town Hall so people from out of town will know where we are located.

Councilwoman Ervin asked where the sign will be?

Councilman Drybread said by the flagpole. John said he wanted to recognize Pat Pankey who has some pretty serious health issues. He has some pretty serious surgery coming up and I want to recognize him for his service to the community. John asked Dave Lutz if he was still in the Johnson County Hospital?

Acting Town Marshall Lutz said he is in the Indiana Heart Hospital.

Councilman Rooks thanked John and Mike Price's guys for putting the curb in front of the school because that is our main entrance and it looks nice and he appreciates everything they did.

Councilman Drybread said he would pass it on.

President Hoffman thanked Dave Lutz for being acting Town Marshall since Pat stepped down for sick leave. I appreciate it and everyone else appreciates it. Second thing is that our next scheduled meeting is November 12, which is Veterans Day, and the town is not open, so we need to change the meeting date from Veterans Day. I recommend Tuesday the 13th.

Town Attorney Huddleston said we need a vote as well as advertised.

Councilman Simpson made a motion to change our next meeting from November 12 to November 13. Councilman Rooks seconded. Unanimous.

President Hoffman said we will get that published right Jack.

Clerk Treasurer Smith said yes.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS: Town Attorney Huddleston said if you recall the housing ordinance that was presented to us by a grant company and has been on the agenda a couple of times. Dustin said he had checked with the State of Indiana to see if we needed to pass that to get state funds and when he checked with the state

agency it is true. We need to adopt that to receive state funds. So at the next meeting we will have that ready to pass.

Building Commissioner Watson said he had an update on the Amos Hill elevator project. I am scheduled to meet with a couple of individuals who will discuss grant opportunities, one an EPA Brownfield Grant that we could possibly get. I also met with some individuals from Camp Atterbury who have expressed interest in the demolition for materials they can recover for use at Muscatatuck. I met last Tuesday with Mr. Fawlor and he will get back with me after the project manager at Muscatatuck has a chance to review it.

Fire/EMS Chief Smith said with your permission the Johnson County Human Society would like to come to station 2 for pet spaying and neutering. They also want permission to put up a couple of signs one at station 2 and one at the park and recreation building.

President Hoffman asked what is your recommendation?

Fire/EMS Chief said they have done it before and it helps the stray animal control.

Councilman Drybread made a motion to let them spay and neuter as well as put up the signs. Councilwoman Ervin seconded. Unanimous.

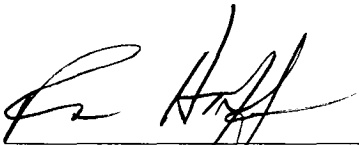
President Hoffman said there is one other issue that wasn't addressed. Halloween trick or treat hours and they are usually 6-8 on Halloween.

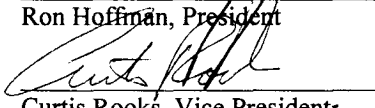
Councilman Rooks made a motion to set trick or treat hours from 6-8 on Halloween night. Councilman Simpson seconded. Unanimous

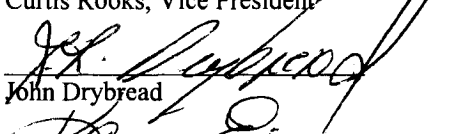
PUBLIC COMMENTS: Johnson County Sheriff Doug Cox said he was here to welcome the new Town Marshall on board and the Johnson County Sherriff's Department is looking forward to working with you.

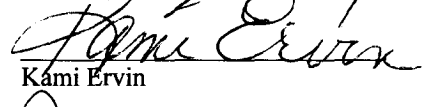
Being no further business or comments, Councilman Simpson made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Councilman Drybread seconded. Unanimous.

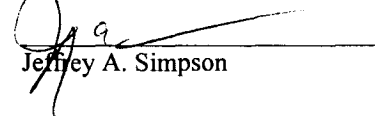
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