

Town Council Meeting
Monday January 9, 2012
6:00 P.M. Town Hall

Edinburgh Town Council met in a regular session on Monday January 9, 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 said next on the agenda is the election of officers.

Councilman Rooks nominated Ron Hoffman for President. Councilman Simpson seconded. Unanimous. Councilman Simpson nominated Curtis Rooks for Vice President. Councilman Drybread seconded. Unanimous.

President Hoffman said next on the agenda was the minutes of the December 29, 2011 minutes. Councilman Simpson made a motion to approve the minutes. Councilman Rooks seconded. Unanimous.

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Councilman Drybread said we have had nice weather to get things done in January. John said we are knocking some houses down.

President Hoffman asked if one was Carl Chandler's?

Councilman Drybread said yes and the house at the maintenance garage at Timbergate is next.

Councilwoman Ervin said Tri Kappa wanted to thank everyone for their hard work with the luminaries. Kami said it will probably be in the paper, but on behalf of Tri Kappa she wanted to share that with you.

Councilman Drybread said he would pass it on to Daniel and his crew that worked with him.

President Hoffman said the one thing he has is the State Board of Accounts Audit comment that NRO fund for the Parks was not budgeted and by state code it has to be budgeted. Ron said Daniel has went through it and has broke out a separate budget for the NRO fund and there has to be a vote to approve it in order to be in accordance to the state code.

John Rondot asked what NRO was?

President Hoffman told him Non Reverting Fund.

Councilman Rooks made a motion to approve the Parks NRO Budget. Councilwoman Ervin seconded. Unanimous.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Clerk Treasurer Smith said he had a discussion Friday afternoon with the Department of Local Government Finance because we have not received our 1782 notice yet. Jackie said she told him to prepare a handout that included the tax levy we received for 2011 and the tax levy we need to fund the 2012 budget and that would kind of give us an idea of what we are looking at. Jackie gave the council copy of the handout.

President Hoffman asked if the 1782 was the levy fund.

Clerk Treasurer Smith said it was the total budget.

President Hoffman asked if we had gotten it in writing yet?

Clerk Treasurer Smith said no and we got it on January 4th last year.

Councilman Rooks asked if he knew when they would get it?

Clerk Treasurer Smith said no and Cathy Hamm had called him today to see if we had gotten ours.

President Hoffman said we would cross that bridge when we get there. We have done it in the past.

President Hoffman said next on the agenda is the Timbergate Update.

Wayne Gibbs said the November report had actual numbers on it and you can see November came out to be a pretty good month and the weather helped out. Wayne said for December these are estimated numbers and by

the next meeting he will have the actual numbers. Wayne said he was happy with the annual sales even though we ended the year in the red we took a chunk out of it and you have to consider we paid H & B \$ 160,000.

Councilman Drybread said we are closing the gap.

Wayne said the next page showed the memberships and we had 56 memberships that was up 15 from 2010 and they expect 70 for 2012.

President Hoffman asked if he knew what the highest number was before?

Wayne said no there was a list with about 15 people on it Wayne said the next sheet shows where the money comes from and the quantity transactions, for an example the snack bar shop had 27,694 transactions.

Councilman Rooks asked what the handicapped fees were for?

Wayne said those are fees people pay to agencies for figuring their handicap. Like the Blue Golf Agency charges \$10 and we charge \$15 and your handicap is figured by rounds and scores.

Councilman Rooks asked what is the advantage of that.

Wayne said it is for people playing in tourneys in the state because it is required.

Councilman Rooks asked if they have to go through this to be certified?

Wayne said yes they go through IGA, the Indiana Golf Association and it is based on the rounds you play and the courses you play. Wayne said the last page is rounds of golf and they are broken down in the type of play like 9 holes and 18 holes and the only thing that catches your eye is the high number of comp rounds. Wayne said the reason for that is the college kids using the course for a month or two. Wayne said the yellow page shows the month to month for the last several years so you can compare revenues for each year and the only thing that jumped up to him was April which was a rainy season. Wayne said we were short there compared to other years, besides that we are pretty much in line with the other years.

President Hoffman said considering nobody was coming back.

Wayne said in 2011 he put tax at the end, but the tax is already figured in the total numbers.

Councilman Rooks said if the weather stays like it is the numbers for January should go up.

Wayne said January could be different because you have people come in and pay their membership fees and this year only two have paid and most of it is January sales. Wayne said in January 2006 they had a great January and he doesn't know where it comes from, but he is guessing that it was memberships.

Councilman Rooks said February 2011 has been better than any other year.

Parks Director Teter said that about a month ago he gave you guys a proposal to raise the fees fro youth baseball and softball programs \$ 5.00 this year and wanted to know if you have come to a conclusion on them because he needed to get ready registration forms and get it advertised.

President Hoffman when do you have to get them out and about?

Daniel said as soon as possible, we start registration in February so by the next meeting if possible.

Councilman Rooks asked Daniel if he could put that schedule in the board packets for the next meeting because Jeff had brought up some questions on some of the specific programs that we might not want to do.

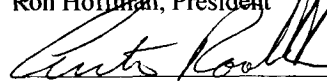
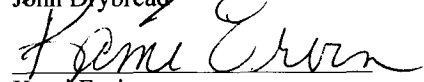
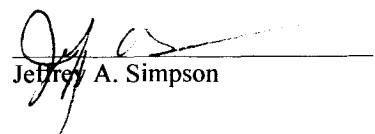
Councilman Rooks said to get some of the surrounding area fees.

President Hoffman said that way everyone will have a chance to look at them and understand the comparison numbers that Daniel had.

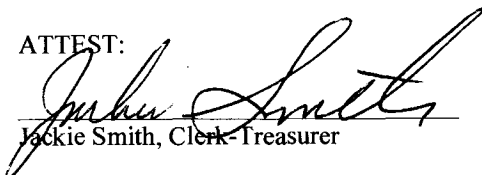
Fire/EMS Chief Smith said that the cheer fund baskets went pretty well and he thanked John Rondot and his wife for helping them put the boxes together and they had helped last year also. Allen said Larry Taulman had come in the next day and helped them out. Allen said they had over 330 and it keeps going up. Allen said he had to go to the Jay C Store several times for more food for the families that hadn't signed up but needed the baskets. Allen said they had 200 kids that they made sure got 2 or 3 toys also. Allen said they started this program in 1972 with about 30 families and it keeps climbing and he said we do a few outside of the city limits

John Rondot said he gave Mr. Huddleston a second draft of the Redevelopment Commissions annual report. John said if he approves the changes that he will have it for the council on the 23rd and it is due at the end of the month.

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

EDINBURGH TOWN COUNCIL
Ron Hoffman, President
Curtis Rooks, Vice President
John Drybread
Kam Ervin
Jeffrey A. Simpson

ATTEST:


Jackie Smith, Clerk-Treasurer