

Town Council Meeting  
Monday, December 9, 2013  
6:00 P.M. Town Hall

Edinburgh Town Council met in a regular session on Monday, December 9, 2013 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, Vice President Curtis Rooks, Councilwoman Kani Ervin and President Ron Hoffman. Also present were Town Attorney Dustin Huddleston and Clerk Treasurer Scott Finley.

President Hoffman said next on the agenda were the minutes of the Council Meeting of November 25, 2013. Councilman Rooks made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted. Councilwoman Ervin seconded. Unanimous.

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

Clerk Treasurer Finley said everyone should have received the normal claim docket for the period. He said he had signed off on all of the claims in the docket and handed them over to the council for approval. Councilman Drybread made a motion to approve the claims as submitted. Councilman Simpson seconded. Unanimous.

President Hoffman said next on the agenda was Ordinance 2013-12 Water Payment in Lieu of Taxes. President Hoffman asked that the discussion be tabled to allow Mr. Huddleston to make a change to the ordinance. Councilman Simpson made a motion to table Ordinance 2013-12. Councilman Drybread seconded. Unanimous.

President Hoffman said next on the agenda was Ordinance 2013-13 Storm Water Rate. He said by code a three person board must be formed for the storm water utility and those members are to be appointed by the council president. Those appointments have been made and the board will consist of Glenn Giles, John Drybread, and Wayne Gibbs. Before the ordinance goes any further a little more information is needed on the storm water rate so he asked to table the discussion of Ordinance 2013-13 as well. Councilman Rooks made a motion to table Ordinance 2013-13. Councilwoman Ervin Seconded. Unanimous.

President Hoffman said next on the agenda was Ordinance 2013-14 Salary Ordinance.

Councilman Drybread said there have not been any major changes to the 2014 salary ordinance. The 2014 budget has the normal merit raises included. He said the ranges in the ordinance will accommodate any raises. Councilman Simpson made a motion to approve Ordinance 2013-14. Councilwoman Ervin seconded. Unanimous.

President Hoffman said next on the agenda was Resolution 2013-7 Holiday Schedule for 2014. Councilman Rooks made a motion to approve Resolution 2013-7. Councilman Simpson Seconded. Unanimous.

President Hoffman said next on the agenda was Resolution 2013-8 Town Council 2014 Meeting Schedule. Councilman Simpson made a motion to approve Resolution 2013-8. Councilman Rooks seconded. Unanimous.

#### Council Comments

Councilman Drybread said he would like to thank all the town employees for getting all the holiday decorations up. It is a lot more work than people realize to get everything ready and set up. He also thanked the fire, police, and street departments for getting the streets clear and safe after the snowstorm. He also said the employee appreciation dinner would be held at the park and recreation on Friday, December 13.

Councilwoman Ervin said the Holiday of Lights is scheduled for Saturday, December 14. The parade is scheduled to start at 5:30 PM. She thanked everyone who helped get that event together.

Building Commissioner Wade Watson said he had handed out to the council a staff report regarding the asbestos inspection agreement. Mr. Huddleston reviewed the agreement and sent several recommendations back to the company. Those recommended changes were not made and the agreement was in front of the council for review. The council had already made a motion at the last meeting to allow President Hoffman to sign the agreement after it was reviewed by Mr. Huddleston.

Mr. Huddleston wanted to make clear that he is not approving the agreement at this time.

Police Chief David Mann said we are getting close to the changeover for the dispatch consolidation and he is sure there will be a lot of questions once the change happens. He wanted to assure everyone that officers would still be present at all times even though the station doors will be locked at night. There will be an emergency phone located at the front door of the station. The public can still contact the department at the regular number and 911 will still dispatch the same way it always has.

President Hoffman asked if he has seen any possible snags on the town's side.

Chief Mann said no. They have been doing things early enough that if they do see a problem it can be fixed before the changeover actually happens. He said he is confident that when the change happens the station will be good to go.

Fire Chief Allen Smith said the fire departments radios have also been reprogrammed and they have been tested and are functional. The only problem he says as of now is the severe weather radios are not compatible with the Johnson County dispatch board. It is possible they will have to buy four new radios for the sirens. The cost of those is about \$900 each. Hopefully that will be paid for out of the 911 board.

#### Public Comments

Lili Ervin said on Tuesday night the choir and band are having a concert/musical that is open to the public and she wanted to invite everyone to come and support both the band and choir. The event starts at 7 PM.

Pete Ketchum, the towns representative on the county council, said he wanted to stop by and see how things are going. He did not get a chance to attend very often because the county council's meetings are the same days as the town's meetings. He said it was a pleasure to meet the council.

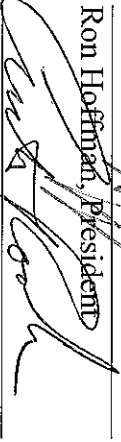
Kathy Hamm wanted to invite everyone to the library's morning open house from 7 AM to 9 AM on Friday, December 13 and they would love to have everyone stop by and start their day with some juice or coffee and a pastry.

Joe Villonueva said he was looking to run for Johnson County Superior Court Judge 4. He has been a deputy prosecutor for 13 years and served the last for as the chief deputy. He said he would appreciate everyone's support and he had information with him if anyone had any questions. He said he had a large crew down for the fall festival and he wanted to thank the council and all the volunteers for putting on a fantastic event.


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


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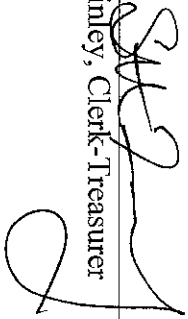
  
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Scott Finley, Clerk-Treasurer