

Town Council Meeting  
Monday, April 14, 2014  
6:00 P.M. Town Hall

Edinburgh Town Council met in a regular session on Monday, April 14, 2014 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, Vice President Curtis Rooks, Councilwoman Kami Ervin, and President Ron Hoffman. Councilman Jeff Simpson was absent. 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 March 24, 2014 and the Special Council Meeting of April 7, 2014. Councilman Rooks made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted. Councilwoman Ervin seconded. Unanimous.

President Hoffman said next on the agenda were claims and handed it over to Clerk Treasurer Scott Finley. Mr. Finley said everyone received the normal claim docket for the period in their packet. He also had with him a claim for Hickory Hills Barbeque for catering the employee appreciation lunch on April 25, 2014. That claim was for \$476.55. He said he would also like to get that approved so he can have the check ready when the food is delivered. He said he had signed off on all the claims in the docket and handed them over to the council for approval. Councilman Drybread made a motion to approve the claims including the addition as submitted. Councilman Rooks seconded. Unanimous.

President Hoffman said next on the agenda was Resolution 2014-9 Lease Purchase. He said this lease is for the new telephone system at the police department. He asked Police Chief Mann to explain the reason for the new system.

Mr. Mann said the emergency lines in to the department have to be forwarded to central dispatch in Johnson County. The system also takes care of internal calls and provides voicemail boxes for all employees. The officers can receive remote notifications of messages from the phones and also program their lines for days off and vacation time.

Councilwoman Ervin said she noticed the cable was not included in the price. She asked how much that would cost.

Mr. Mann said the cable is already there from the old phone system.

Councilman Rooks made a motion to approve Resolution 2014-9. Councilwoman Ervin seconded. Unanimous.

President Hoffman said next on the agenda was the Public Official Bond for John Drybread. He said Mr. Drybread's bond has to be renewed every year. Other town employees excluding Dave Lutz, Dave Mann, John Drybread, and Scott Finley are covered under a blanket bond for all employees. Mr. Hoffman asked how much the bond was for.

Mr. Finley said the bond is for \$50,000.

Councilwoman Ervin made a motion to approve the public official bond for John Drybread. Councilman Rooks seconded. Unanimous.

#### Council Comments

Councilman Drybread said there is some facility work getting ready to start in the town. The shelter house at the park will be getting a new roof and they are also still working on getting the new bathroom started at the sports complex. Also the old salt shed behind the electric garage will be getting a new roof. He said he had been contacted again by the warrant officers in Atterbury about starting a project as well.

Mr. Finley said he wanted to remind everyone that employee appreciation day would be held on April 25, 2014. Employees will get a half day off work and will be treated to lunch catered by Hickory Hills Barbeque in the banquet room at Timbergate.

Police Chief Mann said he would like to introduce the newest officer at the police department, Shawn Kelsay. He has worked in the Columbus area in juvenile service and also in the sheriff's department. He was raised in Edinburgh and has been a reserve officer for two years. He said he has found Mr. Kelsay to be eager to learn. His father was a member of the Edinburgh Police Department and he is glad Mr. Kelsay chose to be a part of the department as well. He asked Mr. Finley to swear in the new officer.

Mr. Finley conducted the Oath of Office and congratulated Mr. Kelsay on his position.

Mr. Mann also wanted to show the new design for the patches on the uniforms. He said the new style is much more contemporary. The cars will also be redone to match the contemporary style of the patch.

Daniel Teter said the Parks & Recreation is beginning its busy season. They had a successful egg hunt with over 100 kids participating. They also had a breakfast with the Easter bunny that was well attended. Baseball season is also starting soon. Games begin the first week of May. In the next 4 months there will be over 500 games played at the sports complex. He said as Mr. Drybread said there is a potential project with the warrant officers possibly at Irwin Park. He is just waiting for them to get back with him. He said he had also been working on getting quotes for repairing the shelter house. The posts on that shelter have started to rot and the roof is bad. Again they have also been receiving quotes for a larger bathroom facility to better accommodate large tournaments. He is hoping to get started on the drawings soon. He said the big project he is working on right now is a memorial fund for Ethan Powell who tragically lost his life last year. He said he had been working with Mr. Huddleston, Mr. Finley, and Mr. Drybread on getting this fund set up. People in the community wanted to do something to remember him and have been making donations. There is a spot at the sports complex that the department has been wanting to update and this gives them an opportunity to both beautify the area and honor a child that was active in park events. Over \$1,700 dollars has been donated already. The area would consist of a tree and a limestone bench that the boy's uncle has constructed. There will also be a placard remembering the child and his life. He asked the council for permission to spend the funds that have already been donated to get the project started because the ordinance is not completed yet. The goal was to have the area completed for the opening of the little league season. He said he had spoke with Dan Hedden from Umbaugh and he said it was fine to take in the funds, they just needed to be transferred once the memorial fund has been established.

Councilman Rooks made a motion to allow Mr. Teter to use funds that have been donated to begin work on the Ethan Powell Memorial. Councilwoman Ervin seconded. Unanimous.

President Hoffman said the Ordinance establishing that fund should be completed and ready for approval at the April 28 meeting.

Councilman Rooks said he had heard Southwestern school is using a diamond at the sports complex.

Mr. Teter said that is correct. The school does not have a diamond and has always had to rent a facility. It is an added income for the Parks Department and it is nice to have another school playing games out there.

Councilman Rooks asked if it would cause a scheduling issue.

Mr. Teter said Southwestern only uses the diamond for games, not practice. The only thing that had to be done was practices had to be moved for the particular night that they have games.

Mr. Drybread said we may have to get all new lights at the aquatic center. A pole was blown over during a storm and it was found that most of the lights have cracks in them.

#### Public Comments

Jimmy Coleman gave the council a letter he had wrote requesting reimbursement from when his car was mistakenly towed. He said he had spoke to Mr. Drybread about the situation but he thought it was something that needed to be put in front of the council.

President Hoffman asked if it was alright if he made copies of the letter and gave it to the rest of the council for review and they would discuss it at the next meeting.

Mr. Coleman said that would be fine and his phone number is on the letter if anyone needs to contact him.

Being no further business or comments, Councilwoman Ervin made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilman Rooks seconded. Unanimous.


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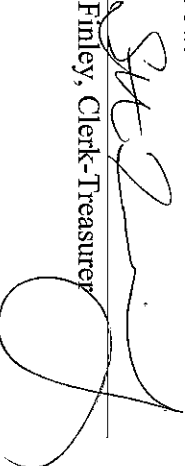
  
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Scott Finley, Clerk-Treasurer