

Town Council Meeting
Monday, October 27, 2014
6:00 P.M. Town Hall

Edinburgh Town Council met in a regular session on Monday, October 27, 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, Councilman Jeff Simpson, Vice President Curtis Rooks, Councilwoman Kami 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 October 13, 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 should have received a copy of the claim docket in their packets. The total for the claim docket was \$656,707.56. 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 as submitted. Councilman Simpson seconded. Unanimous.

President Hoffman said next on the agenda was Resolution 2014-17 Approving Assignment of 2014 Tax Sale Certificates. He said he and Mr. Huddleston attended a Johnson County commissioners meeting. On their agenda was the county's resolution to approve the certificates to begin the process of deeding two properties within the town to the Town of Edinburgh. The two properties being considered are the grain silos on Center Cross Street and the other is 102 South Pleasant Street. The county commissioners approved the resolution. The two properties are both delinquent on property taxes and have both been through sheriff sale with nobody bidding on either property. There are several steps in the process before the property will actually be owned by the town. Mr. Huddleston will be sending out certified letters to the appropriate parties advising them on the process. They will have 120 days to pay the property taxes in full. If they are not paid, the town can then petition for a deed to the property and if it is approved by the courts the property would then be owned by the town. Councilwoman Ervin made a motion to approve Resolution 2014-17. Councilman Rooks seconded. Unanimous.

President Hoffman said next on the agenda was Ordinance 2014-16 Amending Ordinance 2007-8 Flood Hazard Areas Shelby County. He asked Building Commissioner Wade Watson to explain the need for the ordinance.

Mr. Watson said this is the first of two ordinances that will be coming up in the next few weeks. Shelby County has created new flood maps for the county. The maps will be effective November 5, 2014 and the Town of Edinburgh's amendments will have to agree with those maps in order for property owners in that county to carry flood insurance on their property. If the ordinance is not amended then mortgage companies will have to notify property owners that their flood insurance is no good. This ordinance is simply to amend the firm maps to be the most current maps that Shelby County has accepted. It is a patch ordinance until a new ordinance can be written. There will be an ordinance that will include changes for Bartholomew County and Johnson County on December 9, 2014. At that time the ordinance will be completely revised so that a new ordinance will not have to be passed every time a flood map is changed. It will accept all current flood maps for the three counties and all revisions to follow. Mr. Huddleston has looked over the language of the ordinance as well as Michael Buening and both believe everything is in order. Councilman Simpson made a motion to approve Ordinance 2014-16. Councilwoman Ervin seconded. Unanimous.

President Hoffman said next on the agenda was the Timbergate Update and handed it over to Wayne Gibbs.

Mr. Gibbs handed out copies of his PowerPoint presentation and an amortization schedule for the course to the council. He said revenues for the third quarter of 2014 were \$358,108 and expenses were \$512,650. Expenses have increased slightly from 2013 due partly to the purchase of new golf carts. That leaves a loss of \$154,542. Deducting the \$231,000 bond payment would leave a profit of \$76,457. He said those numbers have stayed consistent with previous years. The next slide showed

where the revenues came from and a comparison of 2013 to 2014. The biggest change was green fees which were down \$23,776. He said the course should see an offset in the memberships line item in the future as the course is gaining more members at a rate of about 15 per year. Year-to-date the course had a loss of \$445,333. Again, deducting the full bond payment would leave a profit of \$16,667.

The council thanked Mr. Gibbs for his presentation.

Council Comments

Councilman Drybread said leaf collection will begin this week. Residents can put their leaves on the side of the road and the street department will come by with the vacuum and take them away. He said the street department has also started some paving to get some things done before the weather gets too cold.

Councilman Rooks said he wanted to thank the street department for paving the area behind the school. It was in bad shape and was in need of paving.


Departmental Comments

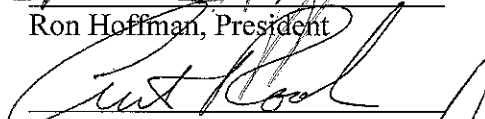
Parks Director Daniel Teter said when he informed the council about the new leagues starting up with the churches he forgot to mention the fee schedule would need to be adjusted to include those fees. The fees would be \$40 for the basketball league and \$15 for the soccer league. The money will go towards shirts, balls, referees, and a portion of the utilities at the facilities being used. Councilman Rooks made a motion to revise the fee schedule to include the fees as presented by Mr. Teter. Councilwoman Ervin seconded. Unanimous.

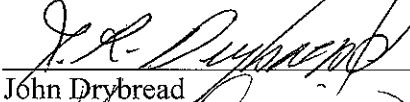
Building Commissioner Wade Watson said he would like to take a second to publicly thank Mr. Huddleston for his work and research on the abandoned properties which brought forth Resolution 2014-7. The resolution should give the town a good amount of leverage to clean up some of the abandoned properties. He said he would also like to give the council a quick update on the Blue River building. The committee has met several times. They have passed out and collected over 80 surveys from all segments of the community. The committee will have great data to present to the council in the coming months. Jill Curry from OCRA was present at the last meeting and she is very optimistic about the grant opportunities provided the town can come up with an appropriate use.

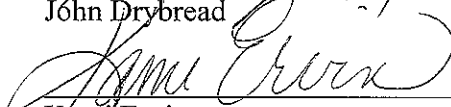
Being no further business or comments, Councilman Simpson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilwoman Ervin seconded. Unanimous.

EDINBURGH TOWN COUNCIL


Ron Hoffman, President


Curtis Rooks, Vice President


John Drybread


Kami Ervin

Jeffrey A. Simpson

ATTEST:


Scott Finley, Clerk-Treasurer