

Town Council Meeting  
Monday, November 24, 2014  
6:00 P.M. Town Hall

Edinburgh Town Council met in a regular session on Monday, November 24, 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 November 10, 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 \$585,050.95. 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 the bid opening for the new electric truck. He asked Mr. Drybread what the new truck was for.

Mr. Drybread said the new truck would replace the Electric Department's 1974 bucket truck. It will be paid for from the Electric fund.

President Hoffman opened the only bid submitted for the truck from Utility Truck Equipment Inc. The total bid for the truck was \$228,723.00. He said the bid will go under consideration and the bid will be awarded at the December 8, 2014 council meeting.

President Hoffman said next on the agenda was the Compliance Certificates Regarding the Nepotism Policy. These certificates must be signed each year by all council members and the clerk treasurer.

Town Attorney Huddleston said each member will be signing two certificates. One states that the signer does not directly supervise any employees that are related to them and the other says they have not contracted with any relatives. Councilwoman Ervin made a motion to approve the certificates. Councilman Rooks seconded. Unanimous.

President Hoffman said next on the agenda was Ordinance 2014-17 Flood Hazard Areas. The ordinance was discussed briefly at the previous meeting. He asked Building Commissioner Wade Watson to explain the ordinance.

Mr. Watson said this ordinance adopts the Shelby, Johnson, and Bartholomew County flood hazard maps. The ordinance is set up to also include any future revisions to the maps in any and all counties. Therefore, this should be the last ordinance regarding the flood hazard maps that will need to be passed. Councilman Rooks made a motion to approve Ordinance 2014-17. Councilwoman Ervin seconded. Unanimous.

#### Council Comments

Councilman Drybread said the Parks Department is in the process of getting all the holiday decorations up. They should be out and lit in the next couple of weeks. He said the Electric Department had some outages earlier in the day due to high winds overnight. They will have some repair work to do around town for the next few days.

Councilwoman Ervin asked what that status was with the Holiday of Lights.

Councilman Drybread said Tracy Beier at the Parks Department is in charge of the event but he is not sure of the status at this time.

President Hoffman shared two thank you letters from East Side Elementary. The first was from Andrea Perry, the Principal, and Paula Wright, the At-Risk Counselor. The letter thanked Police Chief David Mann and Parks Director Daniel Teter for their work with the Wolf Pack. He asked Chief Mann to explain the Wolf Pack.

Chief Mann said the Wolf Pack program is an opportunity for young boys at the school to work with male supervision/leadership from outside of their home. It teaches them skills that they may or may not be getting from inside the home. Those skills include anything from hygiene, treating woman with respect, teamwork, and trust. It was the second year for the program. It helps build a relationship with the Police Department and let the kids see that the officers are real people too. The program had 45 boys this year.

The second thank you letter was from Susan Lollar and it was to thank the council for its continued support of the Clothe-A-Child program.

Clerk Treasurer Finley said he had spoke to the council about the 53rd pay for 2015 in the past. Because of the way the budget year falls, the first pay of 2015 will fall on the New Years Day holiday. Normally the town pays a day early if payday falls on a holiday. However, because the day before the holiday falls in 2014, that would cause the 53rd pay to fall in 2014. The budget was prepared with the extra pay in 2015 so if we pay on December 31 we will be over budget in the personal services category by a full week's pay. To avoid that situation the town will need to pay on Friday, January 2, 2015 instead. Councilwoman Ervin made a motion to move the December 31, 2014 payday to January 2, 2015. Councilman Rooks seconded. Unanimous.

Councilman Rooks said that he will be resigning his council seat after this meeting due to an upcoming job change. He said it has been a very educational and rewarding experience in his life and one he will always remember. He thanked the citizens of Edinburgh for their support over the past 7 years.

Councilman Drybread said he and the other town employees are appreciative of the years of service Mr. Rooks put in. He said it was a pleasure working with him.

Councilman Simpson said it has been an honor to serve on the board with him for 7 years. He wished him good luck with is upcoming job change.

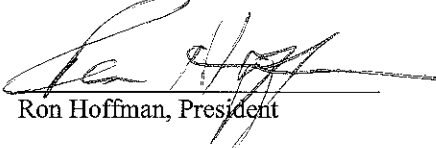
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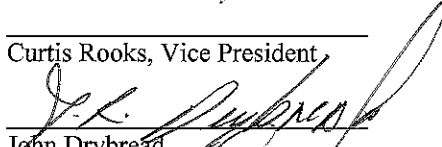
Miriam Rooks said she would like to commend the Edinburgh Police Department on their work with the recent drug bust in Johnson County.

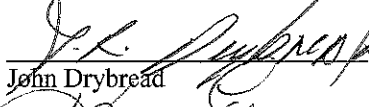
Gail Hoffman said the Wolf Pack is a wonderful program and she wishes they could have it year round. The boys are very excited about the program. She said she also wanted to thank the council for the donation to Clothe-A-Child.

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

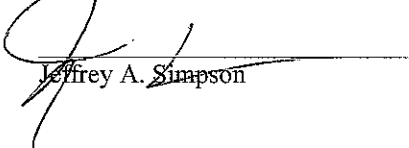
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Ron Hoffman, President

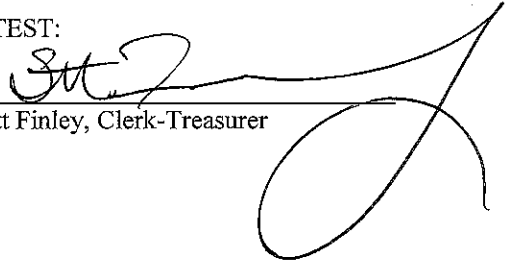
  
Curtis Rooks, Vice President

  
John Drybread

  
Kami Ervin

  
Jeffrey A. Simpson

ATTEST:

  
Scott Finley, Clerk-Treasurer