

Town Council Meeting
Monday, December 8, 2014
6:00 P.M. Town Hall

Edinburgh Town Council met in a regular session on Monday, December 8, 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, 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 24, 2014. Councilman Drybread 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 \$76,262.12. He said he had signed off on all the claims in the docket and handed them over to the council for approval. Councilman Simpson made a motion to approve the claims as submitted. Councilwoman Ervin seconded. Unanimous.

President Hoffman said next on the agenda was the electric truck bid award. He asked Mr. Drybread to discuss the bid award.

Mr. Drybread said the only bid was from Utility Truck Equipment, Inc. The first payment on that new truck would be in February of 2016. Those payments would be made semi-annually over six years. The payments would be approximately \$21,000 and paid from electric revenues. Councilwoman Ervin made a motion to approve the bid award to Utility Truck Equipment, Inc. Councilman Simpson seconded. Unanimous.

President Hoffman said next on the agenda was Ordinance 2014-18 Salary Ordinance. He asked Mr. Finley to walk through that ordinance.

Mr. Finley gave a brief summary of the changes to the salary ordinance. He said most of the changes were to account for the 53rd pay in 2015. The ordinance also adjusts the police pay matrix from a 5 year to a 3 year matrix as suggested by Chief Mann during the budget workshops. The stand-by pay for utilities was also adjusted from \$75 per week to \$100 per week and retirement pay was added as well.

President Hoffman said there is also a new category for Town Manager. This is because John Drybread will be off the council in 2015 and his title will be changed from Director of Utilities to Town Manager. Councilwoman Ervin made a motion to approve Ordinance 2014-18. Councilman Drybread seconded. Unanimous.

President Hoffman said next on the agenda was Resolution 2014-18 Holiday Schedule. Councilman Simpson made a motion to approve Resolution 2014-18. Councilman Drybread seconded. Unanimous.

President Hoffman said next on the agenda was Resolution 2014-19 Council Meeting Schedule for 2015. Councilwoman Ervin made a motion to approve Resolution 2014-19. Councilman Simpson seconded. Unanimous.

Council Comments

Councilman Drybread said Friday, December 12 will be the Employee Appreciation Lunch at the Parks Department. All employees are invited to come and have catered lunch and get the afternoon off. He also said the leaf vacuum is still out picking up leaves. The vacuum was out

of commission for a few days but is back up and running. Also, the lights are up for the Holiday of Lights and he wanted to thank the Parks Department and the Electric Department for their work on getting those lights out.

President Hoffman said because Curtis Rooks resigned his seat on the council there are some procedures the council must follow to fill that vacancy. He asked Mr. Huddleston to explain those procedures.

Mr. Huddleston said because Mr. Rooks was an Independent it falls on the council to fill that vacancy. The council has 30 days from his resignation on November 24 to appoint a new member. The new member must be a resident of the town. The only notice required is a letter the Clerk Treasurer sends to the remaining council members advising the members of the vacancy. The appointment can be made at either a special meeting or a regular meeting. There are no requirements to advertise or take applications. There are also no requirements to do any kind of interviews. The council can choose to do any of those things but they are not required to do so.

President Hoffman said it may be easier to fill the vacancy at a special meeting so there is nothing else on the agenda. Councilman Ervin made a motion to hold a special meeting for the purpose of filling the vacant council position on Tuesday, December 16, 2015 at 5:00 P.M. Councilman Simpson seconded. Unanimous.

Building Commissioner Wade Watson said the Blue River Building Committee had planned to give a report to the council at this meeting but he would like to respectfully ask for an extension until the December 29 meeting to have the report reviewed by the grant writers before it is presented to the council. The council agreed with this request.

Public Comments


Gail Hoffman said the holiday lights look great. The departments did a great job setting them up and the new bulbs are much better than the old.

Terry Taylor said he was present to express his interest in the vacancy on the town council. He presented the council with his résumé and asked that he be considered for the position.

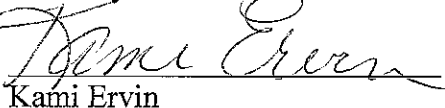
Chris Hoffman said the Library and the Parks Department were working together to have a Santa Claus for the Holiday of Lights in the Library. There have been issues in the past with not having enough space and the Library has ample space for the event.

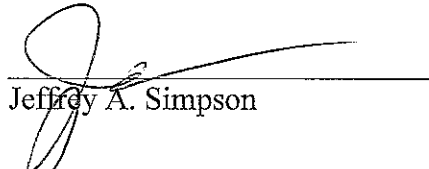
Being no further business or comments, Councilman Simpson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilman Drybread seconded. Unanimous.

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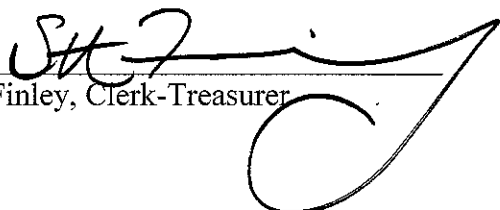

Ron Hoffman, President


John Drybread


Kami Ervin


Jeffrey A. Simpson

ATTEST:


Scott Finley, Clerk-Treasurer