Town Council Meeting Monday, January 26, 2015 6:30 P.M. Town Hall

Edinburgh Town Council met in a regular session on Monday, January 26, 2015 at 6:30 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 Jack Shepherd, Councilman Jeff Simpson, Councilwoman Dawn Graham, Vice President 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 January 12, 2015. Councilwoman Ervin made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted. Councilwoman Graham seconded. Unanimous.

President Hoffman said claims were next on the agenda and handed it over to Clerk Treasurer Scott Finley. Mr. Finley said everyone should have received a copy of the claim docket in their council packets. The docket was a little larger than normal as it was for the entire month of January. The total of the claim docket was \$742,761.04. He said he had signed off on all the claims in that 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 Bond Renewal for David Mann. This bond is required for his position because of his responsibilities within the town. The amount of the bond was \$15,000. Councilwoman Ervin made a motion to approve the bond as submitted. Councilman Shepherd seconded. Unanimous.

President Hoffman said next on the agenda was the Timbergate update presented by Timbergate General Manager Wayne Gibbs.

Mr. Gibbs said he would be presenting the financial reports for the entire year of 2014. He handed out copies of his PowerPoint presentation to the council and anyone from the public that wanted a copy. His first slide showed expenses and revenues for the year. He said revenues were around \$888,500 and expenses were around \$1,350,000 leaving a loss of \$461,500. Deducting the bond payment of \$463,000 from the expenses left a profit of around \$1,500. Those numbers were down slightly from previous years but still up since the town took control. His next slide showed a breakdown of where the revenues came from. He said memberships are continuing to rise and he hopes to see them rise in the future. His next slide was a budget history from 2009 to 2014. The slide showed that the budget has dropped slightly from year to year which shows more and more expenses are being paid from revenues. His final slide showed a comparison of Timbergate rounds and revenues to the state median numbers for public golf courses. In all categories Timbergate was above the state median. Mr. Gibbs thanked the council for their time.

President Hoffman thanked Mr. Gibbs for his presentation.

President Hoffman said next on the agenda was Ron Hazlegrove discussing the Edinburgh Fall Festival.

Mr. Hazlegrove said he is present on behalf of the Lions Club asking for permission to host the Fall Festival again and ask for any help the town can give. The festival dates will be September 16 through September 19 this year.

President Hoffman said the town has historically given \$3,000 to help with the festival. Councilman Simpson made a motion to give \$3,000 to the Lions Club to be used for the Fall Festival and also to approve the festival dates of September 16, 2015 through September 19, 2015. Councilwoman Ervin seconded. Unanimous.

## **Departmental Comments**

Town Manager John Drybread said the town is still working with Strand Engineering on the water filtration system. There should be some activity with that project as the new year starts. He said he and Mr. Finley have met with Umbaugh and the town will be looking into some SRF funds to help offset the costs of those projects.

Police Chief David Mann said he would like to introduce the newest reserve officer, Pat Bryant. They worked together at the Sherriff's department and Mr. Bryant recently retired. He said he will be working with the youth in Edinburgh presenting the D.A.R.E program.

Mr. Bryant said he has always loved working with the youth in the community. The Edinburgh Police Department has a great working relationship within the community and he will try to build on that. He thanked the council for letting him be a part of the community.

## **Public Comments**

Rhonda Simpson said she would like to thank Mr. Drybread for responding to her request and getting the Main Street sign put up at the corner of Main and State Road 252.

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

EDINBURGH TOWN COUNCIL

Ron Hoffman, President

Kami Ervin, Vice President

Dawn Graham

Jack Shepherd

Jeffrey A. Simpson

ATTEST:

Scott Finley, Clerk-Treasurer