Town Council Meeting Monday, February 9, 2015 6:00 P.M. Town Hall

Edinburgh Town Council met in a regular session on Monday, February 9, 2015 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 Jack Shepherd, Councilman Jeff Simpson, Councilwoman Dawn Graham and President Ron Hoffman. Vice President Kami Ervin 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 January 26, 2015. Councilman Simpson 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 normal claim docket in their council packets as well as an end of the month claim docket for January 2015. The end of the month claim docket consists mostly of payroll liabilities and a few bond payments that have to be paid before a council meeting to avoid late charges. He said with the new system changeover there had been some issues with how that docket would be prepared but he believed he had it straightened out going forward. The total for the end of the month claim docket was \$778,622.84 and the total for the regular claim docket was \$79,992.16. He said he had signed off on all the claims in those dockets and handed them over to the council for approval. Councilwoman Graham made a motion to approve the claims as submitted. Councilman Shepherd seconded. Unanimous.

President Hoffman said next on the agenda was Resolution 2015-1 Accepting Certain Equipment from Johnson County. He asked Police Chief David Mann what equipment was outlined in the resolution.

Chief Mann said the equipment the resolution is referring to is six pieces of dispatch equipment originally purchased with 911 funds. Councilman Simpson made a motion to approve Resolution 2015-1. Councilwoman Graham seconded. Unanimous.

President Hoffman said next on the agenda was the Rumpke Contract Addendum. He explained the contract for the new council members. A five year contract is signed after the bid for solid waste removal is awarded. Each year the town signs an addendum accepting the fee increases as stated in the original bid packet. Councilwoman Graham made a motion to allow President Ron Hoffman to sign the Rumpke Contract Addendum. Councilman Simpson seconded. Unanimous.

President Hoffman said next on the agenda was the update on the Blue River Building Project. He asked Building Commissioner Wade Watson to lead the discussion.

Mr. Watson said the town had received notification from Joyner's architectural firm stating they are unable to meet the deadline for the grant application. He said some research was done and a few other firms were contacted. One declined due to time constraints but another, Ratio, has looked at the building and can work on the project and meet the grant deadlines. The firm comes highly recommended by our grant writers.

Their quote came in almost half of what was originally quoted by Joyner as well. Mr. Watson said his recommendation for the council is to approve Ratio as the architects and engineers for this project. He said the next step in the project is putting together a scope of work to see what the cost of the renovation will actually be. Councilman Simpson made a motion to allow Mr. Watson to proceed with the project using Ratio for engineering services. Councilman Shepherd seconded. Unanimous.

Council Comments

President Hoffman said he had with him a request for a donation from the Edinburgh Community High School After Prom Committee. The town has donated to this committee in the past to help support the after prom events. Councilwoman Graham made a motion to approve a \$100 donation to the Edinburgh Community High School After Prom Committee. Councilman Simpson seconded. Unanimous.

President Hoffman also held a brief discussion regarding annexation and development of the area around the mall south of town. He explained the restraints on annexation of the property due to an inter-local agreement signed in the late 1980's between Edinburgh, Columbus, and Bartholomew County.

Departmental Comments

Town Manager John Drybread said he had met with Strand and there is an agreement drawn up on a long term control plan for the wastewater plant as well as combined sewer overflow operational plans.

He also said the electric department would be meeting with a company on reconfiguring the downtown cameras. The idea is to make monitoring that area easier for the police station and maintaining the cameras easier for the electric department.

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

EDINBURGH TOWN COUNCIL

Ron Hoffman, President

Kami Ervin, Vice President

Dawn Graham

Jack Shepherd

Jeffrey A. Simpson

ATTEST:

Scott Finley, Clerk-Treasurer