Town Council Meeting Monday, July 27, 2015 6:00 P.M. Town Hall

Edinburgh Town Council met in a regular session on Monday, July 27, 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 and Clerk Treasurer Scott Finley were absent. Also present were Town Attorney Dustin Huddleston and Director of Administration Mary Patterson filling in for Mr. Finley.

President Hoffman said next on the agenda were the minutes of the council meeting of July 13, 2015. Councilwoman Graham made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted. Councilman Simpson seconded. Unanimous.

President Hoffman said claims were next on the agenda and handed it over to Mary Patterson. Ms. Patterson said Mr. Finley signed off on the claims in the docket and submitted them for approval by the council. Councilman Simpson made a motion to approve the claims as submitted. Councilman Shepherd seconded. Unanimous.

President Hoffman said next on the agenda was Sewage Works Refunding Revenue Bonds, Series 2015. He asked Mr. Huddleston to give the council an overview of where we are in that process.

Mr. Huddleston said the documents sent to the council in their packets were documents the council had previously approved. The only difference is the blanks have been filled in with the information of the bond purchasers. Back in May the council authorized President Hoffman to sign on the council's behalf. The bonds were purchased by Old Nation Bank. The current bond rate the town has with these bonds is 3.26%. The rate will be 2.15% which equates to a gross savings of \$354,854. The net savings is not known at this time because there is still some uncertainty on the closing costs. Everything is supposed to close on Thursday, July 30, 2015 and that is when the documents will be given to the banks. He said he would be happy to answer any questions the council might have.

Councilwoman Graham made a motion to approve the submitted documents and allow President Hoffman, Town Attorney Dustin Huddleston, and Clerk Treasurer Scott Finley to sign those documents. Councilman Simpson seconded. Unanimous.

President Hoffman said next on the agenda was the Disposal of Whitlock Real Property Staff Report. He asked Building Commissioner Wade Watson to lead the discussion.

Mr. Watson said the staff report gives a history of what the town has done with this particular parcel on Pleasant Street. He said he has done some research on Indiana Code on the procedures to dispose of the property. The best use in his opinion is to sell the property to an abutting property owner. His recommendation is for the council to make the determination that its best use is to sell to an abutting property owner, publish the notice, and proceed with the disposal of the property. The assessed value of the property has been \$5,200 since the structure was torn down. Councilman Simpson made a motion to approve Mr. Watson's recommendation and sell the property to an abutting property and follow the recommended procedures. Councilman Shepherd seconded. Unanimous.

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

Mr. Gibbs handed out copies of his PowerPoint presentation to the council. Mr. Gibbs said his presentation was on the second quarter expenses and revenues. The revenues for the quarter were \$284,542.54 and the expenses were \$290,338.14 for a loss of \$5,795.60. The next slide showed where the expenses and revenues came from. The biggest difference between 2015 and 2014 was the green fees line item which is attributed to the rainy weather. His final slide showed the year-to-date expenses and revenues. The overall loss for the first half was \$313,461.01. Deducting the bond payment from that leaves a loss of \$81,461.01 which is right in line with previous years. Mr. Gibbs asked the council if they had any questions. Being none he thanked the council for their time.

President Hoffman said next on the agenda was Resolution 2015-10 Amending Shelby County Capital Improvement Plan. The resolution outlines how the Shelby County EDIT monies will be spent. He asked Mr. Gibbs to explain the changes in the resolution.

Mr. Gibbs said the previous resolution specified that the money from the EDIT fund would be used on clubhouse maintenance. While there are some things that need done on the clubhouse, he believes a portion of that money could be better spent on the actual golf course and the maintenance building. He said he would like to expand the uses for that money so that it can be used for necessary projects. He said his estimates were approximately \$40,000 dollars worth of work around the maintenance building including a new fence to replace the one that is falling down.

Ms. Patterson said this resolution has to be approved every two years. This amends the resolution written in 2014 and there will be a new resolution in 2016. Councilman Simpson made a motion to approve Resolution 2015-10. Councilwoman Graham seconded. Unanimous.

## **Departmental Comments**

Town Manager John Drybread said one of the water towers was pressure washed last week and they should be working on the other this coming week. They were getting pretty bad and were in need of a good wash. Also, heavy trash pick-up will be wrapping up this week.

Police Chief David Mann said Robert Crocker of the Police department started academy today. He previously had some trouble getting through his physical agility assessment but when he took the test again he passed and even exceeded all of the exit standards. The department is looking forward to getting him through the academy and back in action.

Street Superintendent Curtis Rooks said he wanted to thank Mr. Drybread for the opportunity and for the confidence he has in him to handle the position. He hopes he can bring to the table the necessary skills to manage the department.

## Council Comments

Councilwoman Graham said she has had several people from out of town speak very highly of Timbergate Golf Course and she wanted to commend Mr. Gibbs on his work with the course.

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

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Dawn Graham

Jack Shepherd

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ATTEST:

Scott Finley, Clerk-Treasurer