

**Special Council Meeting
Wednesday, July 31, 2019
5:00 P.M. Town Hall**

Edinburgh Town Council met in a special session on Wednesday, July 31, 2019 at 5:00 P.M. at the Town Hall, 107 South Holland Street, Edinburgh, Indiana.

President Jerry Lollar called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

President Lollar said he would first like to welcome Debbie Buck to the town council. She was appointed by the Republican Caucus to fill out the remainder of Bill Jones's term.

Members answering roll call: Councilwoman Debbie Buck, Councilman Jeff Simpson, Vice President Dawn Graham, Councilman Ryan Piercefield, and President Jerry Lollar. Also present were Town Manager JT Doane and Town Attorney Dustin Huddleston. Clerk-Treasurer Scott Finley was absent.

2019 Community Crossings Matching Grant (CCMG) – Mr. Doane said at the previous meeting we discussed submitting an application for this grant. The max the town can receive from this grant is \$1,000,000. He gave cost estimates for three different project options (listed below).

Project	Rating	Cost
High School Drive	4	\$1,573,800
County Road 900 North	2	\$852,100
County Road 250 West	2	\$755,900

President Lollar asked about the possibility of submitting two separate applications.

Mr. Doane said that is possible as well. If we break that project into two phases we increase the chances of being awarded the grant but decrease the funding we would receive.

Councilwoman Graham said High School Drive has drainage issues currently. Would that cause added costs to correct those issues?

Mr. Watson said for the East Main Cross project the town applied for a storm water grant to correct those issues before rebuilding the street. You can only apply for the same OCRA grant once every 5 years. High School Drive does not currently have a storm water system. Ideally that system would be installed before a rebuild.

Councilwoman Graham said she would prefer to get the storm water issues fixed before rebuilding High School Drive.

Discussion was held regarding the projects.

Mr. Watson said another thing to keep in mind is these numbers are projected estimates based on today's construction costs.

Councilwoman Graham made a motion to submit the grant application for the County Road 900 North Project. Councilman Simpson seconded. Motion carried.

Wastewater Superintendent – Mr. Doane said interviews have been conducted for this position both internally and externally. An employment offer has been made to Rebecca Frake contingent upon council approval. The salary would be \$60,000 and a performance review would be performed between 6 and 9 months. She would start in 2 weeks. Councilman Simpson made a motion to approve the employment offer to Rebecca Frake. Councilwoman Graham seconded. Motion carried.

Electric Assistant Superintendent – Mr. Doane said Steve Clark has expressed interest in returning to the electric department. Given his knowledge and experience, we would like to extend an employment offer to Mr. Clark. The rate would be \$33.00 per hour and the 90 day probationary period for benefits would be waived. Councilwoman Graham made a motion to approve the employment offer to Steve Clark. Councilman Simpson seconded. Motion carried.

Parks and Recreation Department – Parks Director Daniel Teter said they were able to fill the two open positions in the Buildings and Grounds department. Heather Laney will be the new Landscaping Coordinator and Ryan Gaston will work landscaping and maintenance. The staff interviewed 4 internal candidates and 3 external.

Council Comments

President Lollar said the next council meeting is August 12th. Prior to that meeting at 5:00 PM there will be an executive session and after the regular meeting there will be a budget workshop.

Departmental Comments

Cemetery Sexton John Hoskinson said he had previously asked for 2 grave shore boxes. They purchased one to ensure that it worked as needed. It is working fine but there is a slight modification to the second box that will cost an extra \$259. Councilwoman Graham made a motion to approve the estimate from NTS. Councilman Piercefield seconded. Motion carried.

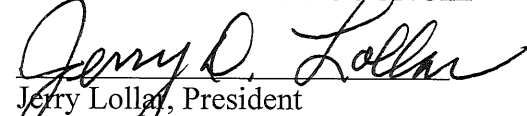
Mr. Doane said on August 9, 2019 at 8:00 PM there will be a benefit flag football game to raise funds for a school resource officer.


Mr. Doane said he has been informed that the school board reviewed the memorandum of understanding and also approved it at their last meeting.

Mr. Doane said he and Mr. Teter met with the school for a few minutes to welcome the teachers back from summer break. They received a thank you letter from the school. He read the letter aloud.

Being no further business or comments, Councilman Piercefield made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilman Simpson seconded. Motion carried.

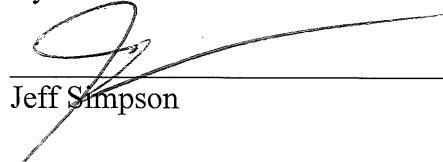
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Jerry Lollar, President


Dawn Graham, Vice President

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ATTEST:



Scott Finley, Clerk-Treasurer