

**Town Council Meeting**  
**Monday, August 12, 2019**  
**6:00 P.M. Town Hall**

Edinburgh Town Council met in a regular session on Monday, August 12, 2019 at 6:00 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.

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

**Minutes** – Council meeting minutes of July 22, 2019 and special meeting minutes of July 31, 2019. Councilwoman Graham made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted. Councilwoman Buck seconded. Motion carried.

**Claims** - The council received a copy of the claim docket in the council packet. The total for the docket was \$378,915.69. Mr. Finley said he had signed off on all the claims in those dockets and handed them over to the council for approval. Councilman Simpson made a motion to approve the claim dockets as submitted. Councilwoman Graham seconded. Motion carried.

**2019 Road Paving Project Updates** – Town Manager JT Doane said the current mill and overlay projects will be under budget. Mr. Robertson gave a list of additional paving they could do with the remaining funds. He gave an explanation of possible streets. He said Robertson is already mobilized and on-site so they could simply continue with additional paving after the initial roads are complete. The costs are listed below.

Street	Cost
Shelby	\$40,000
Pleasant	\$66,000
Perry	\$16,000
Center Cross	\$27,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$149,000</b>

President Lollar said half of Middle Park Drive was done. He asked if they were planning on doing the concrete portion as well.

Mr. Doane said they are going to work on repairing the concrete that is bad in that area. He could obtain numbers on rebuilding the entire concrete section.

Mr. Finley said if this project will exceed \$150,000 we will have to send the project out to public bid.

Discussion was held regarding streets that need repaved.

Councilman Simpson made a motion to approve the street repair to Robertson Paving as listed. Councilwoman Graham seconded. Motion carried.

**Capital Projects Update** – Mr. Doane asked if the council had any updates to the capital projects list.

President Lollar gave an update on where some of the projects stand for Councilwoman Buck.

**Town Marshall Update** – Mr. Doane said resumes have been received from internal and external candidates. The council has reviewed the resumes and will schedule interviews next week.

**Park and Rec LED Signage** – Mr. Doane said he and Parks Director Daniel Teter have been working on a grant application for funding for this sign from the Bartholomew County Innkeepers Tax. He will let the council know when he hears back on that grant.

**Community Crossings Matching Grant (CCMG)** – Mr. Doane said the council authorized him to submit an application for the CCMG at the July 31<sup>st</sup> special meeting. The application has been submitted and will be announced in late September or October.

**Recycling Container** – Mr. Doane said in the past the town had a recycling container that was supplied by Johnson County. It has been removed and he would like to look at the possibility of having that option for residents.

Councilwoman Graham asked if he had spoken with the Johnson County Recycling District.

Mr. Doane said he had not yet. He wanted to get direction from the council first.

Councilman Simpson made a motion to pursue a recycling option and obtain pricing. Councilwoman Graham seconded. Motion carried.

**Well #1 Discussion** – Mr. Doane said this was on the capital projects list. We currently have a maintenance agreement on wells 3,4, and 5. He would like to see a similar maintenance agreement for Well #1 as well. Mr. Huddleston is currently reviewing that agreement. That should be ready by the next council meeting.

### **Council Comments**

Councilwoman Graham thanked Electric Superintendent Kevin Rubush and his crew for their work on the outage last week.

Councilwoman Graham said she had some calls regarding heavy trash being dumped at the street department building.

Street Superintendent Clark McCollum said yes. This year they tried something new using roll offs to try to speed up the heavy trash process. It is trial and error and they will try to make the process better next year.

Mr. Finley said the State Board of Accounts completed the audit for 2015 – 2018. The exit conference was on Wednesday and the final report will be out in approximately 45 days. He said he and President Lollar will be working on a response to the comments in the report. Overall it was a good audit report.

Councilman Simpson said the new street signs and post on East Main Cross look great. He thanked the department for their help.

### **Departmental Comments**

Mr. Doane thanked all those that played in and attended the flag football game last Friday. The school raised \$800 toward a school resource officer.

Mr. Doane introduced the new wastewater superintendent Rebecca Frakes.

Mr. Doane said he was approached by the Blue River Trustee about a cemetery off of US 31. He asked if the town could assist with getting that cemetery cleaned up.

President Lollar said he has no issue helping this one time but does not want this to become recurring. The trustee is supposed to have people to take care of that cemetery. Councilman Simpson made a motion to assist the Blue River Trustee with cemetery clean up one time. Councilwoman Buck seconded. Motion carried.

Mr. Rubush thanked the council for allowing the re-hiring of Steve Clark. He is a great asset to the department and town.

Parks Director Daniel Teter said the Fall Festival is coming up soon. The department is putting a lot of work into that festival. Fall league sign-ups have started and the department hosted a Cricket tournament last weekend.

Community Center Director SaraBeth Drybread said they are doing a lot of planning for the Fall Festival. They are looking to change the stage location this year. The Blue River Band will be playing at the festival as well. She said the parade will depend on construction on East Main Cross.

Fire Chief Allen Smith said he budgeted for computers in the ambulances as well as turnout gear. He said they replace about 3 sets of turnout gear each year. The computers will be purchased through Epic Computer, the town's IT provider.

Mr. Smith said the department has resubmitted an application for a grant for radios this year. If the grant is approved the town's portion will be about \$6,000.

Mr. Smith said he can save the town some money by doing some preliminary refurbishing on the old fire truck. He said the cost will be about \$10,000 and may require an additional appropriation.

Mr. Smith said he has taken care of the trees around the dam for the past 15 years. His crew would like permission to volunteer on August 31<sup>st</sup> to clean the area up before the fall festival.

Mr. Huddleston said if you grant them permission and something happens the town would be liable.

President Lollar said we need to check liability issues first. He informed him not to proceed until we have an answer on the liability.

**Public Comments**

Ron Hazelgrove of the Edinburgh Lion's Club was present to request assistance with the Fall Festival. The amount was \$3,000. Councilman Simpson made a motion to approve a \$3,000 donation to assist with the Edinburgh Fall Festival. Councilwoman Graham seconded. Motion carried.

Gail McQueen of 521 High School Drive asked why High School Drive was not approved to be resurfaced.

Mr. Doane said there are some infrastructure issues beneath the road. Those issues need to be corrected before the street is rebuilt.

Ms. McQueen said Hougham Street does not have the arrows that were previously there and people are sitting in the middle of that intersection.

Mr. McCollum said the road has been repaved but the striping is not complete. The arrows will be put back when the painting is done.

Janice Burton of 504 Fulford thanked the police and fire for their work on the house on their street. She said she thinks the cemetery board needs to meet so the public can give their opinions on the cemetery. She does not understand why the back gate is being left open at night. There are cars parking in the middle of the road out there and she thinks there is illicit activity going on out there. She said she thinks the intersection at Clay and Shelby should be a four way stop. It is the only intersection there that is not a four way stop. She asked if the town had an ordinance to remove junk cars on people's property.

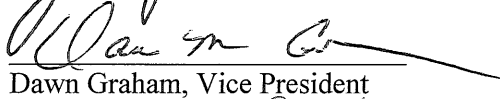
Lieutenant Doyne Little said private property is a touchy situation. He explained the laws police officers must follow when entering private property.

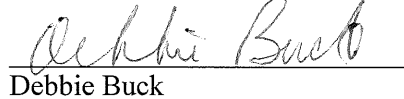
President Lollar asked Ms. Burton to submit her questions to Mr. Doane and the council will try to get answers for her.

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

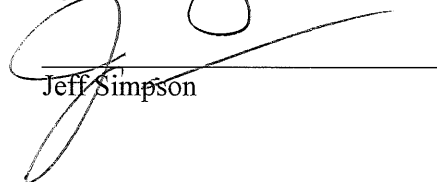
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