

MINUTES
JANUARY 9, 2020

John called the regular monthly business meeting to order. All town council members, town attorney, town manager, sewer plant operator were present. John led everyone in the pledge of allegiance.

Doug opened nominations for President and Vice President for the coming year. Steve made a motion that Doug be named President, Lea Ann 2nd. Motion carried. Lea Ann made a motion that John be named Vice President for the coming year, Doug 2nd. Motion carried. Doug closed the nominations.

John made a motion to accept the January claim docket and the December minutes for 12-12 and 12-31. Steve 2nd. Motion carried.

Old Business:

Graham presented the town managers contract to the council which was signed by all parties by a motion from Steve Swartz, 2nd by Lea Ann Davis. David abstained since he hasn't had time to read it. Motion carried. 2020 contracts which were signed at the December 3rd meeting were given to the employees for signatures.

Doug introduced David Ernst, the newest town council member

Doug asked if any quotes had been received for LED lighting in the town hall and there are none at this time.

The shelter house ordinance was voted on and changes were made at the last town council meeting. The rental fee will stay at \$50 until the ordinance is finalized at the February meeting. Tabled.

New Business:

Joe Tireney from GRW explained the findings of their wastewater and water study and gave their recommendations. He would like the council to look over the handout that he gave to them and would like some feedback in the next couple of

weeks. GRW feels that improvements to the sewage treatment plant are far more needed than water to the town. A copy of the findings can be viewed in the Clerk-Treasurers office.

Since there are 7 members on the planning commission, Lea Ann asked if it would be possible to purchase 2 new chairs for the meeting table and a new chair for the clerk. John made a motion to purchase 3 new chairs for less than \$500, David 2nd . Motion carried.

Andy Dixon had a question concerning the amount of money the town will be giving the Fire Dept. for the year. Steve made a motion to make the changes from \$21,000 to \$42,000. Doug 2nd. Motion carried.

Dan reported that he has no estimates for LED lighting yet, he needs signature from the Town Council president for INDOT grant. The state inspector needs a statement from the town on what we plan to do with our sludge by signing a form.

Dan reported that sealed bids for the Community Crossing Grant are due in our office by January 21st at 2:00 PM. We will have a special meeting to open sealed bids on January 23rd at 7:00 PM.

Doug asked for an update on the ordinance violation for the house on Pennsylvania St. He sent them a letter and they have until the 27th of January to clean it up.

Matt talked to the council about his new monthly reports indicating that there is a change in the software and he isn't able to include as much information as he used to. He indicated that he is having his reserve officers do property checks and John would like the officers to get numbers of street lights that are out so we can get them fixed.

The police budgeted \$4000 for in-car computers and he is going to purchase two for approximately \$800 to \$900, which is way under what was budgeted. Doug asked about Off Duty Management and Matt knows where each car is when being used. He indicated that Off Duty has insurance when they are working for them and he will include this in his report.

George indicated to Doug that reports for IDEM must be signed by the council president. The south tank was stopped up with rags, baby wipes, etc., and James got it taken care of.

Andy gave his monthly and yearly report for the Fire Dept. He indicated that the ambulance billing is good. Andy introduced Dustin Moffitt as the new Assistant Fire Chief.

Doug attended a meeting with Hendricks Co. community Foundation and passed out booklets.

With all business taken care of, John made a motion the meeting be adjourned, Doug 2nd. Motion carried.

Date

Doug Bigness, President

John Culley, Vice President

Lea Ann Davis, Councilman

David Ernst, Councilman

Steve Swartz, Councilman

Ginny McKamey, Clerk-Treasurer