

BOURBON TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

MARCH 9, 2021

A regular meeting of the Town Council for Bourbon, Indiana was held at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 9, 2021 with Council Members, Ward Byers, Les McFarland, Terry Clemens, Student Representative Hadessah Chupp, Attorney Alex Hoover, and Clerk-Treasurer Kimberly Berger present in person. The meeting was opened to the public and livestreamed via the Town of Bourbon Facebook page.

MINUTES: Mr. McFarland made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 9, 2021 meeting, which was seconded by Member Clemens and carried by a vote of 3 Ayes, 0 Nays.

NEW BUSINESS: Linda Sanders of Wessler Engineering was on hand to present a contract addendum for the upcoming Wastewater Lift Station Improvement. Member McFarland motioned to approve the addendum, Member Clemens seconded the motion and the motion passed 3 Ayes, 0 Nays.

Clerk-Treasurer Berger presented Shannon McLeod's grant administration contract for the Lift Station Improvement grant in the amount of \$62,500.00. Member McFarland motioned to approve the contract, Member Clemens seconded the motion and the motion passed 3 Ayes, 0 Nays. Ms. Berger also presented an updated timeline for bid submission and construction.

Approval to purchase a 2021 Police Explorer Interceptor from Oliver Ford of Plymouth, Indiana in the amount of \$37,71700 was motioned by Member Clemens, seconded by Member McFarland and the motion passed 3 Ayes, 0 Nays. This purchase was due to a recent accident that resulted in the 2018 Police Explorer being totaled. The town will be reimbursed \$17,000.00 from the insurance company.

Mowing bids for the Parks and Matchett Center were opened for the 2021 season. Bids were as follows, Stonecreek Services \$12,150.00, Hoffer Lawn Services \$15,500.00, JRC Lawn Care for \$17,250.00. Stonecreek Services did not provide the Certificate of Liability that was in the bid specs, therefore, President Byers motioned to accept the bid submitted by Hoffer Lawn Service per advertisement directions, Member McFarland, seconded the motion and the motion passed 2 Ayes, 0 Nays. Member Clemens abstained from the vote due to a family relationship with the Hoffer's.

President Byers deemed the 1989 Hummer and trailer as surplus property and asked permission to advertise to accept sealed bids to sell this equipment. Discussion ensued, Member Clemens motioned to advertised for sealed bids, Member McFarland seconded the motion with a reserve amount to be accepted of at least \$10,000.00 for the equipment and the right to refuse all bids. The motion passed 3 Ayes, 0 Nays. Bids will be due to the Clerk's office by 3 p.m. on Friday, April 9, 2021.

OLD BUSINESS: The issue of vehicle impound was discussed after being tabled in the February meeting. Attorney Hoover felt it needed to be an Ordinance rather than a Resolution due to the fact that an administrative fee was involved. Ordinance 2021-1 was presented on first reading by Member McFarland, seconded by Member Clemens and the Ordinance was passed on first reading with a vote of 3 Ayes, 0 Nays. Chief William Martin rescinded his request from the February meeting to move Reserve Officers Ray Gleason and Dave Mitchell to part-time paid status.

REPORTS FROM DEPARTMENT HEADS:

Ms. Berger asked for approval of claims 3102 to 3178 in the amount of \$278,716.87. Member McFarland motioned to approve the claims, Member Clemens offered the second and the motion passed 3 Ayes, 0 Nays. Berger presented a request from Teresa Watkins of Triton Elementary to use the Matchett Center to host the Push Cart Sales on May 20th and 21st at no cost. Member Clemens motioned to approve the request and to waive the fees, Member McFarland offered the second and the motion passed 3 Ayes, 0 Nays.

William Martin, Police Chief appeared next before the Council and offered his monthly report. Chief Martin reported that Officers Sahlhoff and Truty passed the physical agility test for the Police Academy and will begin training through Zoom on April 15, 2021.

Roger Terry, Street Department Supervisor, presented his activity report. Terry gave an update on the Community Crossings grant and that the bid opening for this round will be on March 23, 2021 at 4:00 p.m. He also stated that spring leaf pick up will begin on March 30th and last through April 13, 2021.

Steve Stacy, Water/Wastewater Superintendent presented his activity report. Stacy stated that the local planning team for the Wellhead Protection are Ward Byers, Les McFarland, Terry Clemens, Roger Terry, Mike Chapman and himself. A short meeting ensued concerning the Wellhead Protection team.

Chuck Dewitt, Zoning Department gave an update on a recent Plan Commission meeting and stated that they will be working on zoning inconsistencies in town and the 2 mile zoning. Mr. Dewitt also gave some updates on the new business venture with Family Express.

Mike Chapman, Fire Chief, presented his report that the department had 8 calls the month of February; 2 accidents, and 4 fire calls and 2 medical assists. Chapman reported that the container had been ordered at a cost of \$2,917.00. The cost of the container will be split between the Town and the Township. He also stated that the department has two new members, and 3 junior firefighters which should bring the department total to 21 members.

TOWN ATTORNEY: Mr. Hoover informed the Council that he had spoken to Mr. Vanderpool, Karen Holm's attorney and he stated that Ms. Holm signed the agreement with some modifications. Discussion ensued concerning the time frame of 6 months that were given to her on each of the properties. The first property needed to be brought up to code is located at 606 N. Washington Street, followed by 305 N. Thayer and 206 N. Washington. If updates are not made in the allotted time span and in compliance with building codes and ordinances, then the matter will be handled in the court system. Member McFarland motioned to accept the modifications, Member Byers seconded the motion. Member Clemens votes against. The motion passed 2 Ayes, 1 Nay.

PATRON'S COMMENTS: There were no patron's comments.

COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS:

Member Clemens and Member McFarland stated their appreciation to the Town employees and members of the Fire Department for their dedication and efforts to the citizens of the Town.

ADJOURNMENT: Being no further business to come before the Council, Member Clemens made the motion to adjourn at 6:52 p.m., a second was offered by Member McFarland and carried by a vote of 3 ayes, 0 nays.

ATTEST:

Kimberly A. Berger, Clerk Treasurer

Ward Byers, President