

BOURBON TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

FEBRUARY 12, 2013

The ADA Transition hearing was held with 12 people present in addition to all Council Members and the Clerk-Treasurer present. The Council president asked for community comment from those present. The hearing was then closed.

The regular meeting for the Town Council for Bourbon, Indiana then began on February 12, 2013, immediately following the ADA Transition hearing, which meeting began at approximately 7:10 p.m. in the Town Meeting Room with all Council Members and the Clerk-Treasurer present in person. The minutes from the prior meeting of the Council were approved without change or correction.

Triton School Superintendent Donna Burroughs first appeared before the Council and made a presentation concerning the budget status at the school. She asked the Council for consideration on utility rates that the school currently was paying. She also indicated that she is more than willing to help the town in any way that she can, particularly in business development ideas or efforts.

The Council then considered the bids that had been received at the previous meeting for the tillable acres owned by the town. After discussion, Member Wattenbarger moved to accept the bid of Chad Nifong of \$303.00 per acre, pursuant to the form of deed already approved by the Council, which motion was seconded by Member Hanley and unanimously approved by the Council.

Bill Keyser then reported to the Council on the status regarding the Long house and the restaurant building downtown. After discussion, the Council directed him to continue on with his enforcement efforts as to both properties.

Bids were then opened for the Ford F150 Truck that the town had for sale. The high bid was made by Bill Creech in the sum of \$6,913.00. Member Wattenbarger moved to accept Mr. Creech's bid, on condition that payment be made in certified funds on or before February 22, 2013.

Member McFarland then proposed to the Council that the annual community day be scheduled for May 11, 2013 this year. Dean Byers was in attendance on behalf of Habitat for Humanity and described a new program that they were involved with called Brush for Kindness. He asked if Habitat for Humanity could participate in the town's community day to encourage participation in their new program. Member McFarland then moved to set the annual community day on May 11, 2013 and to try and partner with Habitat for Humanity that day, which motion was seconded by Member Wattenbarger and unanimously approved.

The Council then discussed the Mutual Aid Inter-Local Government Agreement that had been sent by Clyde Avery. Member McFarland moved to approve this agreement, which motion was seconded by Member Hanley and unanimously approved by the Council.

Chief Bill Martin then appeared before the Council and presented his monthly report for January. He asked if the Council could add as a violation to the Ordinance Violation Bureau any violation of the town solicitation ordinance. Apparently there has been a problem with door to door salesmen in the town who do not follow the proper procedure in becoming licensed for the day. It was suggested that a fine of \$200.00 be assessed for the first violation and \$500.00 for any additional violations in the same calendar year. The town attorney was asked to prepare the ordinance to add this violation to the ordinance violation bureau. Chief Martin then brought to the Council's attention that Plymouth had an agreement with each of its police officers, providing for the repayment of training costs that the city might expend on officers. The purpose of such a policy was to discourage officers from being trained at Plymouth's expense and then taking a job with another department once their training had been completed. The Council agreed that costs of more than \$500.00 for officer training and should be recouped and asked the town attorney to prepare an ordinance to that effect. Chief Martin then discussed the repairs that were needed by the Crown Victoria police car. After discussion, the Council suggested that he obtain bids on a new police car, because it did not seem worth it to prepare the old one. Chief Martin also discussed the status of the reserve officer program.

Mr. Terry then filed his monthly report with the Council and asked for permission to attend a commercial truck show with one of his employees in March in Indianapolis. The Council approved their attendance at this show. Mr. Terry as the ADA Plan Administrator asked the Council to approve the ADA Transition Plan on which the public hearing had just been held. After discussion, Member McFarland then moved to approve the ADA Plan, which motion was seconded by Member Hanley and unanimously approved by the Council.

Mike Shoda then appeared before the Council and submitted his monthly report and discussed the alarm system for the lift station with the Council.

Mr. Keyser then reported to the Council on interest in the Omni Source property or a part of it and also the Reynolds properties. A general discussion was had about how business and industry could be encouraged in the town. Mr. Keyser suggested that a luncheon be scheduled for all business and industry owners in the town to attend so that a discussion could be had on to improve business and industry in the town. Member McFarland agreed to work with Mr. Keyser in that regard. Superintendent Burroughs, who was still at the meeting, was invited to attend on behalf of the school.

The Clerk-Treasurer then reported on approving special rates at the Matchett Center. The Council approved all these special rates reported by the Clerk. She also asked about the quarterly fee due the Marshall County Economic Development Commission. The Council approved the payment of this quarterly fee.

Member Hanley asked again about the operation of the Matchett Center and his concern that it was running at a deficit. The issue of the booking fees came up again. Security deposits were also discussed. After a lengthy discussion concerning the Matchett Center and all activities related to the same, Member Hanley moved that all booking of the Matchett Center now be handled by the Clerk's office, which motion was seconded by Member McFarland. The motion carried by a vote of 2-1, with Member Wattenbarger voting in opposition. Member Wattenbarger had strenuously opposed the motion on the basis that the booking fees were payments for work done that the Clerk's Office would not be able to handle.

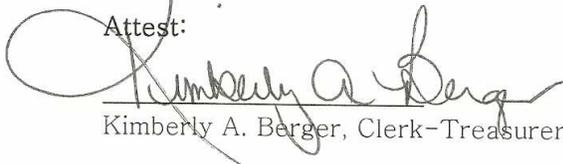
There being no further business to come before the meeting, the meeting was thereupon duly adjourned.

Respectfully submitted:



Les McFarland, president

Attest:



Kimberly A. Berger, Clerk-Treasurer