

BOURBON TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

AUGUST 12, 2014

The regular meeting for the Town Council for Bourbon, Indiana was held on August 12, 2014, beginning at approximately 7:00 p.m. in the Town Meeting Room. All Council Members and the Clerk-Treasurer were present in person for the meeting. The minutes from the prior meeting of the Council were approved without change or correction.

The town attorney, Mark E. Wagner, informed the Council of the change in name of his firm to Wagner & Wagner, LLP. The Council acknowledged that they had retained Mr. Wagner as the town attorney, so that the name change was then noted.

Anthony J. Wagner then appeared before the Council to discuss the possible creation of a TIF District for the town with respect to the real estate owned by Bates Real Estate Corporation recently annexed by the town. Mr. Wagner explained how a TIF District is created and that a separate attorney would need to be retained to guide the Council through that process. A general discussion was had concerning the impact of a TIF District and what effect it would have on taxes being assessed for any new development that might occur on the land in question. Member McFarland moved to authorize Mr. Wagner to contact TIF counsel in Indianapolis and obtain initial information about forming a TIF District, which motion was seconded by Member Hanley and unanimously approved by the Council.

The Council then discussed a new fireworks ordinance for the town. It was decided that the town attorney should prepare a new ordinance that limits the use of fireworks in the town to Fridays, Saturdays and the holidays mentioned in the state fireworks law and using the times for use of fireworks as that law sets out as well. The ordinance would also be included in the Ordinance Violations Bureau of the town, with the standard fine being assessed. The town attorney was asked to have that ordinance available to the Council at its next meeting.

Member McFarland then discussed with the Council the efforts of Triton School Corporation, particularly the Superintendent, Mrs. Burroughs, regarding Project Lead the Way. The Council agreed that this was an important program and it was showing a benefit already to Triton students.

A representative of Territorial Engineering then appeared before the Council and presented Change Order No. 2, for a net change of \$300.00 and Pay Application No. 9 for the sum of \$16,121.89, which Change Order and Pay Application were both approved on the Motion of Member McFarland, the second of Member Hanley and unanimously approval of the Council. It was indicated that this project was now complete, after the final payment being made.

The Clerk-Treasurer then discussed with the Council the Inter-Local Agreement for new signage in the town that needed to be entered into, at a cost of only \$317.00 to the town. After discussion, Member McFarland moved to approve the Inter-Local Signage Agreement as presented by the Clerk, which motion was seconded by Member Hanley and unanimously approved by the Council.

The Clerk-Treasurer then reported to the Council that she had two applications for sidewalk replacement. The cost of the Aaron Williams sidewalk replacement to the town would be \$820.00, while the Roger Schori replacement cost to the town would be \$1,375.25. Member McFarland moved that both applications be approved, which motion was seconded by Member Wattenbarger and unanimously approved by the Council.

The Clerk-Treasurer then reported to the Council on the Matchett Center tree removal and asked Council approval of the same. The cost of the tree removal would be \$2,100.00. After further discussion, Member Hanley moved that the tree removal project be approved at the stated cost, which motion was seconded by Member Wattenbarger and unanimously approved by the Council.

The Clerk-Treasurer then discussed the budget calendar with the Council. She also mentioned that the Amish parking lot was now completed and that appropriate recognition should be made of Mr. Schwartz for all of his work on this parking lot. The means of recognizing him was then discussed by the Council and action will be taken to make sure that happens.

The Clerk-Treasurer also indicated to the Council that she would like to purchase a digital sign board to be placed in the parking lot down town, now that the Amish parking lot has been completed. The cost of this sign would be \$16,580.00 and could be used for town messaging and other current events. After discussion, Member McFarland moved to approve the purchase of this sign from Vanadco in Argos, at a cost of \$16,580.00, which motion was seconded by Member Wattenbarger and unanimously approved by the Council.

The Clerk-Treasurer then presented quotes on the cost of resolving the concrete issues with respect to the lot at Center and 331 at a cost of \$3,500.00. After discussion, Member McFarland moved to approve this expenditure, which motion was seconded by Member Wattenbarger and unanimously approved by the Council.

Chief Bill Martin then appeared before the Council and submitted his monthly report. He also mentioned that the reserves wanted to do a fundraiser so they could purchase additional uniform clothing. The Council approved this request.

Roger Terry then appeared before the Council and submitted his monthly report. He also asked the Council about allowing the town's part-time employee to operate the street cleaner in Etna Green to clean their streets. After discussion, the Council approved this request and indicated that it was good to assist a neighboring community, which has assisted the Town of Bourbon in the past.

Lyn Donathen then presented his monthly report. He also asked about long-range maintenance plans for the water tower and submitted a proposal from Leary Construction on a 10-year maintenance program at a cost of \$7990.00 per year. He also mentioned that he had called on two of the references Leary Construction had given for other communities they had worked with and that both references gave glowing reports on their relationship with Leary Construction. After further discussion, Member Wattenbarger moved to approve the maintenance contract with Leary Construction at a cost of \$7990.00 per year for the next 10 years, which motion was seconded by Member McFarland and unanimously approved by the Council.

Steve Stacy then appeared before the Council and submitted his monthly report. He also reported on the storm basin cleaning project and presented a map that he had been working on to maintain the locations of these basins going forward. He also asked about purchasing a John Deere Gator for his department at a cost of \$8,500.00. He indicated that they presently were making use, on a part-time basis, of the gator owned by the Park Department and that it would be beneficial to the town if his department had a gator of its own to use on a more regular basis. After further discussion, Member Wattenbarger moved to approve the purchase of a John Deere Gator HXP at a cost of \$8,500.00, which motion was seconded by Member Hanley and unanimously approved by the Council.

Bill Keyser next appeared before the Council and indicated that he had been receiving a number of complaints about feral cats that were being fed by town residents. He noted that the current ordinance of the town did not include cats as far as people feeding animals that were not pets. He asked that this ordinance be amended to include cats. The Council directed the town attorney to provide an amended ordinance to the Council for the next meeting. Mr. Keyser also indicated that Member McFarland, as president of the Council, needed to make appointments to the Zoning Board of Appeals and that Plan Commission. He recommended that Kris Berger and Erik Sechrist be re-appointed to the Zoning Board of Appeals and that Kim Berger and Mark Mosier be re-appointed to the Plan Commission. Member McFarland approved of all of those appointments and confirmed that he would re-appoint Kris Berger and Erik Sechrist to the Zoning Board of Appeals and Kim Berger and Mark Mosier to the Plan Commission. Mr. Keyser also indicated to the Council that it needed

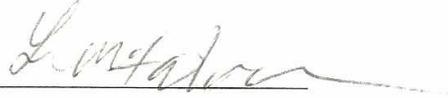
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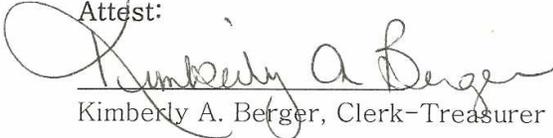
to contact the County Council and ask them to re-appoint Patti Kitch and Erik Sechrist to the Plan Commission. The Council approved this request and resolved that Mr. Keyser should contact the County Council and indicate that it was the Council's request that Patti Kitch and Erik Sechrist be re-appointed to the Plan Commission.

Member Wattenbarger then asked the Council about cleaning the tile properly at the Matchett Center. He indicated that they were having problems with finding someone or some way to handle this. He would report further to the Council on this matter.

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