BOURBON TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

MARCH 10, 2020

A regular meeting of the Town Council for Bourbon, Indiana was held at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 10, 2020 with Council Members, Ward Byers, Philip Hanley, Les McFarland, and Clerk-Treasurer Kimberly Berger present in person.

MINUTES: Mr. Hanley made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 11, 2020 meeting, which was seconded by Mr. McFarland and carried by a vote of 3 ayes, 0 nays.

President Byers provided an overview of the inclusion of student members to the Council in a non-voting role. Mr. Byers then turned the floor over to Mr. McFarland who introduced the students. Brian Ulloa is a senior at Triton High School and will be attending Purdue University to study Political Science in the fall. Ms. Hadassah Chupp is a Junior at Triton and wants to pursue a future career in education. Mr. Ulloa will be a student member until graduation in June.

REPORTS FROM DEPARTMENT HEADS:

Ms. Berger submitted the docket of claims numbered 2027 through 2100 in the amount of \$171,464.56. Mr. Hanley made a motion to approve the claims as submitted, which was seconded by Mr. McFarland and carried by a vote of 3 ayes, 0 nays. Ms. Berger asked the Council for their approval on hosting the Egg Hunt at the park on April 11th. Mr. Hanley made the motion to continue the Egg Hunt, McFarland seconded it and the motion passed 3-0. Ms. Berger advised the council on 5 Certificate of Deposits that were maturing soon, and the interest rate has dropped back to a low of .01%.

President Byers acting on behalf of Chief Bill Martin asked for approval to hire Cullen Smith as a paid part-time officer. Mr. McFarland motioned to hire Mr. Smith, Mr. Hanley offered the second and the motion passed 3 ayes, 0 nays.

Mr. Roger Terry submitted his report on behalf of the Street Department. He advised the Council that the spring leaf pick-up will start March 30th and will end April 10th.

Mr. Steve Stacy submitted his monthly report for the Utilities Department. Mr. Stacy discussed with the Council on whether to use summer part-time help or hire Neco to install meters this summer. After discussion, Mr. Hanley motioned to hire Neco to install meters at a rate of \$47.00 per meter, Mr. McFarland offered the second and the motion passed 3-0.

Mr. Bill Keyser informed the council that he was hoping to wrap up the sale of the property at 806 N Main Street but in absence of Attorney Hoover he was at a standstill.

Mr. Mike Chapman of the Bourbon Fire Department submitted his monthly report of 1 fire, and 1 hazmat call. He also advised that council that the department was seeking a grant for radios and extrication equipment.

TOWN ATTORNEY: Mr. Hoover was absent.

OLD BUSINESS: Ms. Berger informed the Council that she had met with New Focus HR Services and ask the council to retain their services for a new employee Handbook at a cost of \$4,500.00. Mr. McFarland motioned the approval Mr. Hanley seconded the motion and it passed 3-0. Ms. Berger also stated that they will be working on employee job descriptions too.

<u>NEW BUSINESS:</u> The American Red Cross asked the Council to waive the Matchette Center rental fees for the bloodmobile on June 30, 2020 and a to-be-determined date in December 2020. Mr. McFarland motioned to approve the request, Mr. Hanley added the second and the motion passed 3 ayes, 0 nays.

President Byers asked for approval of the Memorandum of Understanding between Triton School Corporation and the Town of Bourbon to enforce traffic control on public school grounds. Mr. McFarland motioned to approve the MOU, Mr. Hanley seconded the motion and the motion passed. 3-0.

President Byers introduced Ordinance 2020-02 to adopt traffic regulations governing traffic control on certain public-school grounds of Triton School Corporation. Mr. McFarland motioned to pass Ordinance 2020-02 on the first reading, Mr. Hanley seconded the motion and the motion passed 3-0. Member McFarland moved to suspend the rules and pass Ordinance 2020-02 on all three readings. Mr. Hanley offered the second to the motion and it passed with 3 ayes, 0 nays.

Contract for Hoffer Lawn Services to provide mowing services to the Matchette Center, the Parks and ballfields for 2020 was presented for approval. The contract is in the amount of \$15,400.00. Mr. Hanley motioned to accept the quote from Hoffer Lawn Services, Mr. McFarland seconded the motion and it carried 3-0.

<u>PATRON'S COMMENTS:</u> Frances Berkey appeared before the Council to asked that the rental fee of the Matchette Center for the Bourbon Alumni be lowered from \$200.00 to \$150.00. Request was denied.

Larry Wattenbarger commented on the Student Council Members and felt that it was a good idea to have both a Junior and Senior serve each year.

Larry Teeple questioned if the new meters were going to be a bond issue. Ms. Berger stated the meters were going to be purchased and paid for with a 7-year loan and that the cost of the installation of meters would be paid through the Water and Wastewater funds.

COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS:

Mr. Hanley advised the public of some recent graffiti vandalism and asked the public to be aware of activity in the parks etc. now that the weather is starting to turn nicer and urged them to report any unusual or suspicious activity to the police.

Mr. McFarland welcomed our youth members to the council and asked that leaf pickup be placed on the sign and our Facebook page.

<u>ADJOURNMENT:</u> Mr. McFarland made the motion to adjourn at 7:33 p.m., a second was offered by Mr. Hanley and carried by a vote of 3 ayes, 0 nays.

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Kimberly A. Berger, Clerk Treasurer

Ward Byers, President