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WHITESTOWN TOWN COUNCIL Special Meeting

January 23, 2019

Whitestown Municipal Complex– Public Hall 6210 Veterans Drive

Minutes

1. OPENING THE MEETING

- A. Call to Order Clinton called the meeting to order at 6:37pm
- B. Roll Call All Present Councilman Miller late
- C. Pledge of Allegiance
- D. Clinton m/m to table item B, then restructure the meeting, Susan 2^{nd} , 4-0 adopted.
- 2. PUBLIC REQUEST TO SPEAK (Topics Not Related to an Agenda Item) none

3. NEW BUSINESS

A. Consider an Ordinance Amending Zoning Maps Within the Zoning Ordinance (Trailside PUD) – Petitioner – Brian Tuohy – representing Westport Homes – It is a 189-acre site on the west side of 650. It would be about 3.14 homes per acre. It would be considered low density. Brian said people want to live on trail sites, which is adjacent to the Big 4 Trail. The price of the hoes would be from the high \$200k to the mid \$300k range.

Pat Housenstein – Opposed – **Pat** said she would like to keep the Master Plan as it was in 2015. She would like to see the northern end of Whitestown as more rural. Having two entrances is not enough, in her opinion, as traffic continues to increase on 650. She would appreciate the same courtesy as the developer receives.

Celia Follmar – Opposed/Neutral – She is very happy that there will be a fire lane. She said traffic is increasing more and more on 650 and the roads are not wide enough to alleviate the congestion.

Matt Cantrell – Neutral – **Matt** thanks the Council in their efforts to gain concessions and beautification of the development. He is concerned about the impact on his house and surrounding houses.

Petitioner – Brian Tuohy – Brian said the traffic study was done in October – **Jeff** asked if he had the dates in Oct. **Brian** said it was in Oct 2018 17th, in the AM and the PM. **Brian** said this is a multi-generational several year development. **Kevin** asked what all the red dots symbolize on the handout, **Brian** said they were to denote trees which would be planted in the development. Discussion ensued. **Jeff** asked for the dates of the entire traffic study. The confirmation on the date of the study was Oct 18th. It will probably a 7 to 10 year project.

Kevin asked what the anticipation is with widening 650. **Dax** said this is a multi-phase project. Discussion ensued.

Susan was appreciative that the petitioner was willing to talk and make concessions already on this project. She believes these are quality homes. **Clinton read the ordinance and m/m to approve, Eric 2**nd, **5-0 adopted.**

- B. Consider a Contract for WPD IT Services tabled
- C. Discuss Parental Leave Policy Flexibility and Consider an Ordinance Amending the Whitestown Employee Manual with Respect to Paid Parental Leave Ordinance – Clinton discussed how they could make the Paid Parental Leave more flexible for the employee(s). Susan did first read, and m/m to suspend rules for a 2nd read, Kevin 2nd; 4-0 adopted. Susan did 2nd read and m/m to adopt, Kevin 2nd, 4-0 adopted.
- D. Discuss Making the Sledding Hill and Other Amenities at the Main Street Park Handicapped Accessible – Kevin discussed how a constituent reached out to him for this and he wanted to bring it up for them. Nathan said it would need additional funding in order to do it for this hill, as it wasn't included in original estimate for the costs of the park. Discussion ensued. Clinton then asked Nathan to talk about the splash pad and the plans for it.
- E. Discuss Leadership Transition Clinton said this is an update for the Council. Clinton and Susan have talked with Dax and Jason about how to continue moving forward, Nathan will be the number two in charge if Jason is out, just as Jason was the number two point of contact as Dax was out of office.

9. OTHER BUSINESS

A. Public Farewell to Town Manager Dax Norton – **Dax** was awarded the first Key to the Town and made his farewell address to the town.

10. ADJOURN – Susan m/m to adjourn, Eric 2nd, 5-0 adjourned at 8:27pm

The minutes from a Special Town Council meeting on January 23st, 2019 are approved on the 13th day of February 2019 by the following Town Council Members:

Eric Miller, President

Susan Austin

Clinton Bohm

Jeff Wishek

Kevin Russell

Attest:

Matthew Sumner, Clerk-Treasurer