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**WHITESTOWN TOWN COUNCIL  
Regular Meeting  
December 19, 2018  
Whitestown Municipal Complex– Public Hall**

**Minutes**

**1. OPENING THE MEETING**

- A. Call to Order – Eric called the meeting to order 7:01pm
- B. Roll Call – All Present
- C. Pledge of Allegiance
- D. Susan m/m to add under new business, the Remediation Agreement, Clinton 2<sup>nd</sup>, 5-0 adopted.

**2. PRESENTATIONS**

- A. Boone EDC – Molly Whitehead talked about the new Economic Development Manager. The 2018 numbers for Boone County have been released and we will get the specific Whitestown numbers in January. There was a significant uptick in Boone County. There should be 1300 new jobs in Boone County with the average wage of \$25/hour.

**3. CLERK TREASURER REPORT**

- A. November Town Management Report | November WMU Management Reports (Sewer, Water) \*\* - Clinton asked if the Clerk-Treasurer had everything he needed for 2018 in the way of encumbrances. The Clerk-Treasurer responded in the positive.

**4. DEPARTMENT REPORTS – DPW (Water Monitoring, Street Dept., WMU), Planning and Community Development, Building Department, Parks, Police (Operations, Stats, Drug Stats), Fire (Monthly Report, 2018 Goals and Accomplishments)\*\* - Nathan talked about the developments with the Big Four Trail. Nathan talked about a rental in the gym – where we are starting to subsidize 501c3s.**

**5. PUBLIC REQUEST TO SPEAK (Topics Not Related to an Agenda Item) – Chuck Willig spoke about he was thankful for the Town. He thanked the various departments operating throughout the Town.**

**6. APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA**

- A. Approval of Meeting Minutes – **11/8/2018 Special Meeting Minutes I 11/14/2018 Meeting Minutes**
- B. Claims – **November 2018 Expenses Town I November 2018 Revenues Town I November 2018 Utility Claims (November Water Operating, November Wastewater Operating) \*\***
- C. Authorize the Voiding of Outstanding Checks from 2014 and 2015
- D. Consider an item exceeding \$5,000 - Purchase of 2 Town Vehicles (Ford F250 and Ford Explorer) – NTE \$30,000 Parks Machinery and Equipment and NTE \$35,000 Parks Machinery and Equipment.
- E. Consider Approval of a Contract for Professional Services (GM Development for Owners Representative for Construction of New Fire Station 72)
- F. Consider Approval of a Contract for Professional Services (Kimley/Horn – Fire Station 72 Engineering)
- G. Consider Approval of a Contract for Professional Services (Police Station Engineering and Architecture) – **Susan m/m to approve the above consent agenda, Clinton 2<sup>nd</sup>, 5-0 adopted.**

**7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- A. Consider an Ordinance Establishing Wages and Salaries for 2019 (**Ordinance 2018-33, Second Read**) – **Clinton did 2<sup>nd</sup> read and m/m to adopt, Susan 2<sup>nd</sup>; Kevin asked Dax to discuss the Ordinance. Dax said everything is about the same as it was last year and keeping it flat across the board. 5-0 adopted.**
- B. **Introduce an Ordinance** Authorizing the Issuance of Taxable Economic Development Revenue Bonds, Series 2018 (Park 130 Project), and Lending of the Proceeds Thereof to Borrower, and Authorizing and Approving Other Actions in Respect Thereto (**Ordinance 2018-34, Second Read**) – **Clinton did 2<sup>nd</sup> read and m/m to adopt, Susan 2<sup>nd</sup>, 5-0 adopted.**

**8. NEW BUSINESS**

- A. Consider an Ordinance Approving A Transfer of Appropriation (**Ordinance 2018-35, First Read**) – **Clinton did first read. Clinton m/m for suspension of rules for 2<sup>nd</sup> read, Susan 2<sup>nd</sup>, 5-0 suspended. Clinton did 2<sup>nd</sup> read and m/m to adopt, Kevin 2<sup>nd</sup>, 5-0 adopted.**
- B. Consider an Ordinance Concerning Cash Change Funds and Petty Cash Funds (**Ordinance 2018-36, First Read Only**) – **Clinton did first read. Clinton asked for clarification on this, Nathan said it was a copy of a Fishers Ordinance to allow some flexibility to allow for some emergency funds to be used as cash for events, etc. Clinton m/m to suspend the rules for 2<sup>nd</sup> read, Kevin 2<sup>nd</sup>, 5-0 suspended. Clinton did 2<sup>nd</sup> read and m/m to adopt, Susan 2<sup>nd</sup>, 5-0 adopted.**
- C. Consider an Ordinance Amending Ordinance 2017-44 (Salary Ordinance) (Building Department Director Supplemental Pay Authorization) (**Ordinance 2018-37, First Read**) – **Clinton did first read and m/m to suspend rules for 2<sup>nd</sup> read, Kevin 2<sup>nd</sup>, 5-0 suspended. Clinton did 2<sup>nd</sup> read and m/m to adopt, Kevin 2<sup>nd</sup>, 5-0 adopted.**

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- D. Consider an Ordinance Amending the Employee Manual (Paid Parental Leave) **(Ordinance 2018-38 First Read)** – Eric praised Susan for bringing this before the council. Susan thanked Johnetta for her work on this as well. Kevin thought that it would be appreciated if this could be given one more meeting before being adopted since it is a significant increase in benefits to the employees. Eric said that is the intent. Clinton hopes to have this adopted at the next meeting and did **first read**.

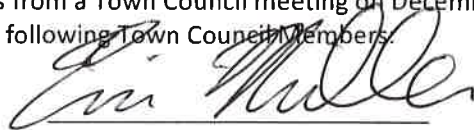
Consider an Ordinance Authorizing the Issuance of Economic Development Revenue Bonds (Strategic Capital Partners Project), in series, and Providing the Proceeds thereof to the Strategic Capital Partners, or an Affiliate or Permitted Assignee thereof, and Authorizing and Approving Other Actions in Respect Thereto **(Ordinance 2018-39, First Read)** – Clinton did **first read**. Eric asked Dax if this should be passed tonight, Dax said it should. Susan m/m to suspend rules for a 2<sup>nd</sup> read, Kevin 2<sup>nd</sup>, 5-0 suspended. Clinton did 2<sup>nd</sup> read and m/m to adopt, Susan 2<sup>nd</sup>, 5-0 adopted.

- E. **Public Hearing:** A Resolution Confirming a Resolution Declaring Resolution an Economic Revitalization Area and Approving Applications for Real Property Tax Abatement (SCP Acquisitions, LLC) **(Whitestown Town Council Resolution 2018-57)** – Clinton m/m to close the public hearing, Susan 2<sup>nd</sup>, 5-0 closed.
- F. Consider A Resolution Confirming a Resolution Declaring Resolution an Economic Revitalization Area and Approving Applications for Real Property Tax Abatement (SCP Acquisitions, LLC) **(Whitestown Town Council Resolution 2018-57)** – Clinton read the resolution and m/m to adopt, Susan 2<sup>nd</sup>, 5-0 adopted.
- G. Consider a Resolution Approving Personal Property Tax Deduction for Project Italy **(Whitestown Town Council Resolution 2018-58)** – Clinton read the resolution and m/m to adopt, Susan 2<sup>nd</sup>, 5-0 adopted.
- H. **Resolution 2018-59** – Clinton did first read and m/m to adopt, Susan 2<sup>nd</sup>, 5-0 adopted.
- I. Consider Approval of Performance Pay for Chief Westrich and Chief Anderson – Susan talked about how well the department heads performed this year. Susan said she thought the Parks Director, Town Manager, and the Public Works Directors also get a 5% bonus as well, and m/m to adopt with the added 5%. Clinton 2<sup>nd</sup>. Kevin talked about another bonus being considered, and Kevin said he cannot support the bonuses. Jeff asked for clarification about if Kevin was talking about double bonuses. Kevin asked what the total amount of the bonuses would be. Susan said she did calculate it out but does not have those numbers with her. **4-1 passed**.
- J. Consider approval for bonuses for town staff – Clinton m/m to approve the merit payments as presented – with the two members removed who received bonuses with the previous performance pay passed, Jeff 2<sup>nd</sup>; Kevin said there are a lot of increases in the salary ordinance passed tonight and he believes there should be a consideration in merit-based bonuses. Clinton said they are getting bonuses based off the work they are doing. Clinton amended his motion to include using the funding mechanism in the worksheet presented. Eric called for a roll call vote, Clinton 2<sup>nd</sup>; 4-1 adopted. Roll Call Vote – Kevin: no, Eric: Yes, Clinton: Yes, Susan: Yes, Jeff: Yes


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- K. Consider Adoption of the 2019 Town Boards and Commissions Calendar of Meetings – Susan m/m to adopt as presented, Clinton 2<sup>nd</sup>, 5-0 adopted.
- L. Consider Appointments to Boards and Commissions:
1. Neighborhood Council – 13 Town Council Appointments with Majority Town Council Approval – Eric m/m to appoint Kevin Jordan to represent Walker Farms, Clinton 2<sup>nd</sup>, 5-0 approved.
  2. Clinton m/m to appoint Natalie Mack for Harvest Park – Susan 2<sup>nd</sup>, 5-0 approved.
  3. Susan m/m to appoint Andrew McGee for the Neighborhoods at Anson – Clinton 2<sup>nd</sup>, 5-0 approved.
  4. Kevin m/m to appoint Steve McCoy for Maple Grove – Susan 2<sup>nd</sup>, 5-0 approved.
  5. Jeff m/m to appoint Shawn Wooden for Eagles Nest and for Clark Meadows Katie Bradshaw – Clinton 2<sup>nd</sup>, 5-0 approved.
  6. Susan m/m to appoint Ken Nuel from Legacy Core – Clinton 2<sup>nd</sup>, 5-0 approved.
- M. Remediation Agreement – Dax talked about remediation on the Wrecks property. Kevin asked if there was potential for any grant dollars for this, Dax said there were, but we would lose control of the land because of their policies for receiving grant dollars. Discussion ensued. Clinton m/m to approve as presented, Kevin 2<sup>nd</sup>, 5-0 adopted.
9. **OTHER BUSINESS** – Dax said Nathan is in process of updating our Park Impact Fees. Dax said the Plan Commission needs to meet on Monday, January 7<sup>th</sup> for the new fees to not have a lull - Clinton, so moved, Susan 2<sup>nd</sup>, 5-0 adopted.
10. **TOWN ADMINISTRATION REPORT** – Dax talked about our S&P rating. Dax talked about getting new A/V equipment for the Public Hall. Dax thanked everyone involved with the Christmas events. Clinton thanked the Fire Department and everyone else involved with the parade. Clinton asked what days the Town closes this year for Christmas, Dax said per the Employee Manual, we are off on Tuesday and Wednesday. He asked if we could have the Monday off. Clinton m/m to close the town on Monday as well, Susan 2<sup>nd</sup>, 5-0 approved.
11. **ADJOURN** – Clinton m/m to adjourn, Susan 2<sup>nd</sup>, 5-0 adjourned at 8:31pm

The minutes from a Town Council meeting on December 19<sup>th</sup>, 2018 are approved on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of January 2019 by the following Town Council Members.



Eric Miller, President



Clinton Bohm



Kevin Russell



Susan Austin



Jeff Wishek

Attest:



Matthew Sumner, Clerk-Treasurer