

 ORIGINAL



WHITESTOWN TOWN COUNCIL
Regular Meeting
May 24, 2018
7 PM

Minutes

1. OPENING THE MEETING

- A. Call to Order – Eric called the meeting to order at 7:03pm
- B. Roll Call – All present
- C. Pledge of Allegiance

2. PRESENTATIONS

- A. Badge Pinning - **WFD Chief Josh Westrich – Matt Hickey** – was promoted to the rank of Lieutenant – **David Owens** – Division Chief of Training – appointed to full time.
- B. Badge Pinning – **WPD Chief Dennis Anderson – PSO Chris Fischer** – previously worked at Jasper (IN) PD. – **Joe Turney** – Worked at Butler University PD prior to coming to WMPD.
- C. Plan Presentations – HWC – **Cory Whitesell** – Has been a part of the Bike Ped Plan. He talked about the need for safe crossings and accessing all parts of the town using sidewalks and trails. This plan includes the mid-point interchange as well as other newer developments in the town.
- D. Boone EDC – none
- E. **Clinton m/m to table item C under new business and add Resolution 2018-29, Susan 2nd, 5-0 adopted.**

3. CLERK TREASURER REPORT

- A. **April Town Management Report | April WMU Management Reports (Sewer, Water) ****

4. DEPARTMENT REPORTS – DPW (Water Monitoring, Street Dept., WMU), Planning and Community Development, Building Department | Parks and Recreation, Police (Canine Officer Wellness Program, Operations, Stats, Drug Stats, Donation of Town Asset), Fire** - Chief Anderson spoke about donating a vehicle (a 2010 Tahoe) to the school police in Lebanon. He believes it is approximately \$6,000-\$6,500 worth of value on the vehicle. He said the Board approved this, and now they are asking for the Council's permission. (Resolution 2018-29) Discussion ensued. Susan brought up Chief Anderson's contract expiring this year, and she m/m to extend the contract out two more years Eric 2nd, Kevin modified the motion so that Susan would be in charge to negotiate this out as she is the President of the Police Commission, Eric 2nd, 5-0 adopted.

Chief Westrich talked about the draft of the Fire Prevention Ordinance. He talked about how it was based off the State Template, and believes it is a good document. Discussion ensued.

Dax talked about Nathan being taken to Methodist Hospital for an issue with his eye. Dax talked about Savannah taking the Parks Certification and passing.

5. PUBLIC REQUEST TO SPEAK (Topics Not Related to an Agenda Item) – Kevin Jordan talked about starting a neighborhood council. It would be a 13-seat council to create better communication with the Council. Kevin said he wanted to make sure it involved Legacy Core and rural areas.

6. APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approval of Meeting Minutes –4/18/2018 Meeting Minutes **
 - B. Claims April 2018 Expenses Town | April 2018 Revenues Town | April 2018 Utility Claims (Water Operating, Wastewater Operating) **
 - C. Consider an Expenditure Exceeding \$5,000 (NTE \$25,000: Contract with Umbaugh Park Impact Fees Update)
 - D. Consider Approval of a Contract for Professional Services (Funds from Main Street Park Bond NTE \$200,000 Shrewsberry – Design Services for South Main Street Park)
- Susan m/m to approve the Consent Agenda as listed above, Clinton 2nd, 5-0 adopted.

7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- A. Consider an Ordinance Concerning Redistricting of Town Council Districts (Ordinance 2018-11; Second Read) – Clinton did 2nd read and m/m to adopt, Eric 2nd, 5-0 adopted. (Jeff asked to clarify before the vote if it was indeed Alt 2 – Eric said it was).

8. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Consider an Ordinance Approving the Statement of Investment Policy, Objectives and Guidelines Regarding Town Funds, Debt Management Policy, and Reserves and Liquidity Policy (**Ordinance 2018-12, First Read**) – **Clinton** did first read. **Dax** talked about how this is important to pass as soon as we can, so the town can get a better bond rating and take advantage of upcoming bonds while the rate is lower than what they are estimated to be in the future. **Kevin m/m to suspend the rules for a second reading, Clinton 2nd, 5-0 approved. Clinton did 2nd read and m/m to adopt, and Kevin 2nd, 5-0 adopted.**
- B. Consider and Ordinance Amending Zoning Maps Within the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Whitestown (PC18-006-ZA) (**Ordinance 2018-13, 1 Read Only**) –
- Petitioner’s Presentation – Will Gooden** – on behalf of Verizon Wireless. **Will** went over his handout showing where the property they would want re-zoned. This is a capacity site to help accommodate the exponential wireless use growth in Whitestown and the surrounding area. This should help improve local service to off-load service on the existing tower.
- Remonstrator – Bruce Thompson** – Lives approx. 1500 feet north of this location. **Bruce** said this was a co-locator tower which will have multiple antenna off the tower. He said the comprehensive plan this area is supposed to have low intensity residential. He said he hopes the Council votes No.
- Frank Weeks** – 4536 Whitestown Parkway – He said all his windows on one side of his house face this tower. He said it is very close to his house and believes it will effect his property value. He would like the Council to prevent the tower from going up at that location. **Andy Beroker** – attorney for **Mr. Weeks** spoke about how the cell tower should just not be located at this spot. He talked about spot zoning. He said it was 504 feet from **Mr. Weeks’** backdoor.
- Larry Brenner** – He talked about the I1 development standards and talked about how this was a landlocked piece of property. He said the vast majority of this cell coverage is in Hendricks County. He talked about how property values DO go down time and again and is asking the Council to vote the petition down. They own the house at 6250, which is very close to the tower.
- Petitioner’s chance to rebut – Will** spoke again saying this would not have a blinking light, the maintaining of the area is a serious commitment for Verizon, and this area is specific to where it needs to be located in order to “talk” to other towers. He stated the comprehensive plan said this is to be zoned industrial.
- Susan** said Verizon has previously co-located on a water tower, she was wondering why this isn’t a possibility. The Verizon engineer (**Christopher**) spoke to why this location is necessary – this will take off-load from the current Verizon co-location on the water tower. He talked about how their analysis is done. **Clinton** asked about other locations Verizon could not come to terms with. **Will** answered in the affirmative with caveats. Discussion ensued.

Clinton did first read. Susan m/m to have a voice vote (up or down), Jeff 2nd, 5-0 approved; Kevin said he is reluctant to approve since the Plan Commission did not recommend this, and he hopes there is a compromise they can come up with; Kevin – No, Eric – No, Clinton – No, Susan – No, Jeff – No; ordinance fails 5-0.

- C. Consider an Ordinance Amending Zoning Maps Within the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Whitestown (PC18-012-ZA) (**Ordinance 2018-14, 1 Read Only**) - **Tabled**
- D. Consider a Resolution Approving Forms of Financing Documents Related to the South Main Street Park Project (**Resolution 2018-25**) – **Clinton read and m/m to adopt, Susan 2nd; 5-0 adopted.**
- E. Consider a Resolution Approving Execution of Equipment Lease (5 Year Lease NTE \$130,000 - Parks Department Mobile Stage) (**Resolution 2018-26**) - **Clinton read and m/m to adopt, Susan 2nd, 5-0 adopted.**
- F. Consider a Resolution Adopting the Whitestown Boards, Commissions and Committees Handbook (**Resolution 2018-27**) – **Clinton read. Dax said it is a good document to help make things more professional. Kevin suggested have the boards read it and give opinions. Eric moved to table, Clinton 2nd, Kevin modified it to give the boards and commissions 3 weeks to give input, Eric 2nd; 5-0 adopted**
- G. Consider a Resolution Concerning Interest in and the Authority to Purchase or Acquire Property (4 Acres for South Main Street Park) (**Resolution 2018-28**) – **Clinton read and m/m to adopt, Susan 2nd, 5-0 adopted.**
- H. Consider Appointments to Boards and Commissions
 - 1) Human Relations Commission – 1 Town Council President Appointment with Council Approval – **Vishnu Chandrana – Eric m/m to appoint, Clinton 2nd, 5-0 adopted.**
 - 2) Veterans Commission – 1 Town Council President Appointment with Council Approval – **Joe Mundell – Eric m/m to appoint, Clinton 2nd, 5-0 adopted.**
- I. **Resolution 2018-29 - Clinton read and m/m to adopt, Susan 2nd, 5-0 adopted.**

9. **TOWN ADMINISTRATION REPORT** - **Dax** said there are plants in the median. There is progress on the median project. **Dax** said we were in the press several times again, and we are the fastest growing community in the Indiana for the 7th year in a row. The summer paving project is going out to bid. **Clinton** asked about the temp right of way in Legacy Core for sidewalks. **Dax** said Pierce Street is the Town's, but they have not had time to get to talk to anyone yet, but they will need right of way on Main Street.

10. **ADJOURN** – **Clinton** m/m to adjourn, **Susan** 2nd, 5-0 adjourned at 8:53pm.

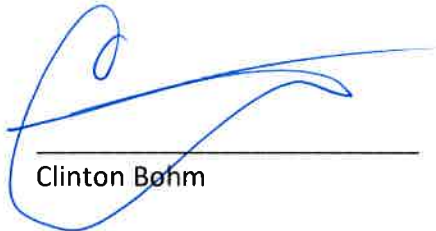
The minutes from a Regular Town Council meeting on May 24th, 2018 are approved on the 13th day of June 2018 by the following Town Council Members:



Eric Miller, President



Susan Austin



Clinton Bohm

Jeff Wishek



Kevin Russell

Attest:



Matthew Sumner, Clerk-Treasurer