



ORIGINAL



WHITESTOWN TOWN COUNCIL

Meeting

July 26, 2018

Minutes

1. OPENING THE MEETING

- A. Call to Order – Eric called the meeting to order at 7:04pm
- B. Roll Call – All present
- C. Pledge of Allegiance
- D. Susan m/m to amend the agenda to add a presentation regarding the Cadet Program, Clinton 2nd, 5-0 amended.

2. PRESENTATIONS

Chief Anderson spoke about two cadets who have completed the first Public Safety Program. **Cadet Eli Moore** and **Cadet Emma Koster** the first of the Public Safety Cadets to complete the Public Safety Program. **Chief** talked about their training they completed. They have trained with the staff over the last three years. They have been exemplary cadets. **Chief** thanked them for their service and wished them luck in their future endeavors.

3. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Consider an Ordinance Approving Zoning Map Amendments (**PC18-015-ZA**) (**Ordinance 2018-22, 1 Read Only**) - Petitioner – **Rick Lawrence** – Attorney for **Nelson and Frankenberger** for Emmis Broadcasting. The current zoning is light industry and surrounded by the Anson PUD. Emmis is seeking to re-zone it to the Urban Business Zoning classification. **Kevin** asked if it abuts residential and asked if there would be buffer, **Rick** answered in the positive. **Clinton did first read and m/m to adopt, Susan 2nd, Kevin said he just hopes they commit to additional buffering, believing they will, 5-0 adopted.**
- B. Consider an Ordinance Approving Zoning Map Amendments (**PC18-016-ZA**) (**Ordinance 2018-23**) – Petitioner – **Brian Tuohy** – representing Strategic Capital Partners. They are seeking a rezoning. The Plan Commission has approved this rezoning unanimously.

Sheila Scott spoke in favor of the rezone. **Kevin** asked if we pulled this property out of the buffer zone. **Clinton** said that is correct, but they are now asking for the rezone.

Karen Padgett spoke in favor of the rezoning.

Becky Roberts lives at 5317 E 450 S. She lives on 4 acres. She fears she will not be able to sell her property with warehouses surrounding her. She is curious about what type of buffer will be left after the rezone. She was not involved in any previous buffer zones.

Clinton read the ordinance and m/m to adopt, **Susan 2nd**, **Kevin** asked if **Brian** had any response to **Becky's** concerns. **Brian** said they understand her concerns, and there would be several stages before anything else would be done and she would have the opportunity to be heard at the Plan Commission meetings.

Clinton said that with the UDO, these things are laid out. **5-0 adopted.**

- C. Consider an Expenditure Exceeding \$5,000 (Maple Grove Bond and MVH – Whitestown Parkway Median Extension Project NTE \$140,000) – **Dax** said the delineators are not working currently because people are ignoring the right-in-right-out. The estimate to fix this was \$123,000 last year. **Eric m/m to NTE \$140,000 for the Whitestown Parkway Median Extension Project, Clinton 2nd, 5-0 adopted.**

9. BUDGET


- A. Discuss the First Draft of the 2019 Budget and Form 1s (**Draft Budget**) – **Dax** talked about how there is not a lot different in this budget from the current. **Dax** said trails are a big part of the budget, specifically the north-south trail. There will be a bond or TIF to fund the trail. Insurance will increase, and fuel will be another large increase. **Dax** said we are getting to the point we will need to get a Human Resources Director. **Dax** said we should have the conversation about funding priorities with the department heads in August. **Kevin** said he notices fuel has not gone up very much in many departments and thinks that will probably need to be addressed to make sure enough funds are added to the fuel lines. **Kevin** asked about the Town Capital Outlay decreasing. **Dax** said the idea to never spend that whole line and decreasing it a small amount will not hurt us. **Clinton** asked if there is any information on fuel utilization. **Dax** said he will work on it to get some numbers. **Kevin** brought up the fleet tracking software PD uses and whether-or-not the ROI is worthwhile, and if it is, perhaps getting that software for other departments.

Clinton asked if department heads could come prepared to discuss why they would like to add the new staff and what the additional cost throughout the years would entail. **Clinton** would also like to hear what our long term I.T. plan is, what we would like Main Street to look like, and how to plan out the various things on the comprehensive plan.

Eric asked if **Dax** is doing an RFP on I.T. services; **Dax** said he can if the Council wants. **Jeff** asked if it would be time to look at getting a full-time I.T. to potentially save money, by paying a salaried employee verses potentially paying more for an outside company to contract with the Town. **Kevin** said he would like to see from each department head how many employees they would like to add over the next few years.

10. ADJOURN – Clinton m/m to adjourn, Susan 2nd at 8:15pm

The minutes from a Town Council meeting on July 26th, 2018 are approved on the 8th day of August 2018 by the following Town Council Members:


Eric Miller, President


Susan Austin


Clinton Bohm


Jeff Wishek


Kevin Russell

Attest:

Matthew Sumner, Clerk-Treasurer