



WHITESTOWN

INDIANA

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

October 8, 2025

Whitestown Town Council Members				
Elected to a 4-year term: 01/01/2024-12/31/2027				
<u>District 1</u>	<u>District 2</u>	<u>District 3</u>	<u>District 4</u>	<u>District 5</u>
Cheryl Hancock	Dan Patterson	Courtenay Smock	Tobe Thomas	Eric Nichols

AGENDA

1. OPENING THE MEETING

A. Call to Order – Dan called the meeting to order at 6:03pm.

B. Roll Call – All Present

- i. Councilwoman Hancock
- ii. Councilman Nichols
- iii. Councilman Patterson
- iv. Councilman Smock
- v. Councilman Thomas

C. Pledge of Allegiance

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA – Eric m/m to approve as presented, Cheryl 2nd, 5-0 approved.

3. PRESENTATIONS -

4. CLERK TREASURER REPORT

A. Town Management Report | WMU Management Reports | Sewer | Water

5. TOWN MANAGER REPORT – Katie reminded the residents of the Trick or Treat hours.

6. DEPARTMENT REPORTS

A. DPW | Building | Planning | Parks & Recreation | Public Relations | WFD | WMPD

7. **PUBLIC COMMENT** (Topics not related to an agenda item) – **Ken Kingshill** talked about the Town not complying with their own planning process (even though it is not required) – specifically the new police training facility.

8. **APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA**

- A. Approval of Meeting Minutes – September 10, 2025 Town Council Meeting Minutes | Minutes
- B. Claims - September 2025 Expenses Town | September 2025 Revenue Claims | September 2025 Utility Claims – **Eric m/m to approve the above consent agenda, Cheryl 2nd, 5-0 approved.**

9. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- A. 2nd Reading, Consider Adoption of **Ordinance No. 2025-20**, An Ordinance of the Town Council of the Town of Whitestown, Indiana, Authorizing the Issuance of the Town of Whitestown, Indiana Economic Development Revenue and Refunding Revenue Bonds (Bridle Oaks/Mills on Main Infrastructure Projects) – **Dan** did the 2nd read of the ordinance. **Todd Barker** spoke about this project. **Eric m/m to adopt, subject to correction of typos, Courtenay 2nd, 5-0 approved.**
- B. 2nd Reading, Consider Adoption of **Ordinance No. 2025-21**, An Ordinance Amending the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Whitestown, Indiana (Prairie Chase Text Amendment – PC25-047-TA) – **Dan** did the 2nd read. **Todd** also discussed this item. **Cheryl m/m to adopt, Tobe 2nd, 5-0 adopted.**
- C. 2nd Reading, Consider Adoption of **Ordinance 2025-22**, An Ordinance of the Town Council of the Town of Whitestown, Indiana, Establishing the 2026 Salary Matrix – **Dan** did the 2nd read. **Ken Kingshill** spoke on this ordinance. **Cheryl** had concerns with some of the salary raises we have compared to some of the surrounding communities. She said we need to look at some ways to make some cuts. She has some concerns about how some of our salaries are rather high. **Courtenay** said he agrees with the consistency across the board. **Eric** talked about how he doesn't completely agree with **Cheryl** and **Courtenay**. Discussion ensued. **Eric m/m to modify the amount for board and commission members to have a 3% COLA in compliance with the state or other statutes that might apply, Courtenay 2nd, 5-0 to change the salary matrix. Eric m/m to adopt, as amended, Tobe 2nd, 5-0 adopted.**
- D. 2nd Reading, Consider Adoption of **Ordinance 2025-23**, An Ordinance of the Town Council of the Town of Whitestown, Indiana, Establishing the Appropriations for the 2026 Budget, Tax Levies, and Tax Rates for the Town of Whitestown, Indiana – **Dan** did the 2nd read. **Ken Kingshill** asked about legal expenses. **Matt Sumner** responded. **Cheryl** talked about the different property tax caps. Discussion ensued. **Courtenay m/m to adopt, Eric 2nd, 5-0 adopted.**

- E. 2nd Reading, Consider Adoption of **Ordinance 2025-24**, An Ordinance of the Town Council of the Town of Whitestown, Indiana, Repealing Chapter 2.50 of the Whitestown Town Code (Ordinance Violations Bureau) – **Dan** did the 2nd read. **Ashley**, the town’s attorney, spoke about this ordinance and the reasoning behind it. **Tobe m/m to adopt, Courtenay 2nd, 5-0 adopted.**

10. PUBLIC HEARINGS - none

11. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Consider Adoption of **Resolution 2025-24**; A Resolution of the Town Council of the Town of Whitestown Regarding Certain Tax Abatement Deductions for Fiber Global – **Shelby Farthing**, from the Boone EDC talked about this project. Discussion ensued. **Eric m/m to adopt, Courtenay 2nd, 5-0 adopted.**
- B. Consideration of **Resolution 2025-25** approving Three-Year Levy Appeal – **Eric m/m to adopt, Cheryl 2nd, 5-0 adopted.**
- C. First Reading of **Ordinance No. 2025-25**, An Ordinance Amending the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Whitestown, Indiana (Public & Institutional / Parks & Recreation Districts – PC25-046-UDO) – **Dan** read the ordinance and **Todd** talked about it.
- D. Acknowledgement and Acceptance by the Town Council of a Uniform Conflict of Interest Disclosure Form for Councilor Patterson – **Dan** recused himself from this item. **Ken Kingshill** spoke on this item. **Courtenay** mentioned he has his own conflict of interest on file for his place of employment. **Eric** acknowledged and accepted his form.
- E. Consider Expenditure exceeding \$25,000; NTE \$49,165 for Department of Public Works – Inspections Vehicle Purchase – **Eric** read the request, and **Jason** discussed the need for the expense. Discussion ensued. **Courtenay m/m to approve with a NTE of \$49,165, Tobe 2nd, 4-0 approved.**
- F. Consider Expenditure Exceeding \$25,000; NTE \$125,000 (Authorization of Utility Engineering Review Services – CDS/GES Town Engineering Support) – **Dan** read this request, and **Sri** discussed the need for this on the agenda. **Tobe m/m to approve the expenditure and contract, Cheryl 2nd, 5-0 approved.**
- G. Consider Expenditure Exceeding \$25,000; NTE \$80,000 (Authorization of Sanitary Sewer Master Plan Update – CDS Engineers) – **Dan** read this. **Tobe m/m to approve the expenditure and contract, Eric 2nd, 5-0 approved.**
- H. Consideration and acceptance of Assignment from GHW to LRS of Indiana, LLC for the procurement of trash services for Town municipal buildings. – **Dominic** discussed this item. GHW has been acquired by LRS, so it was simply a name change. **Eric m/m to approve, Tobe 2nd, 5-0 approved.**

12. OTHER BUSINESS - none

13. ADJOURN – Courtenay m/m to adjourn, Tobe 2nd, 5-0 adjourned at 7:22pm.

The minutes from the Town Council meeting on October 8, 2025, are approved on the 12th day of November 2025, by the following Town Council Members:

Cheryl Hancock

Dan Patterson

Courtenay Smock

Tobe Thomas

Eric Nichols

Attest:

Matthew Sumner, Clerk-Treasurer