

APRIL 17, 2018

The Town Council met in regular session at the Town Hall at 8:30 a.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Blaylock.

Present were: BLAYLOCK, ALSOP, FLANDERS, WADE, and WATSON along with Clerk-Treasurer Karla Atkins and Attorney Erin Bauer.

The following visitors were present: Greg Grabner, Philip Bernard, Dan Barton, Tom Stahl, Amanda Bryden, Don Alsop, Briel Kobak, Lora Arneberg, Heather Morlan, Bobby Grider, Sue Krozel, and Aaron Straub.

Councilman Flanders made and Alsop seconded a motion the minutes of the previous regular meeting be approved. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Gas superintendent Bobby Grider reported a gas valve and some piping have been replaced on Freeman Lane.

Councilman Wade reported Vectren has been doing some work around the golf cart trail on the south side of Town. Vectren does have an easement to access the area as needed.

Councilman Flanders announced the current recycling center hours are Saturday's from 9 to noon, and Wednesday's from 2 to 6.

Councilman Flanders renewed a suggestion that he previously made that the Town Marshal make a report to citizens on the nature of cases he is working, etc. He has had constituents request that such a report be made.

Greg Grabner and Philip Bernard, with Frontier Geospatial, LLC, made a presentation to Council on providing GIS mapping for the Town. They provided written information as well as costs for the service to Council. Councilman Wade made and Watson seconded a motion that a discussion be tabled until the May meeting to allow time for review by Council members. All were in favor except Councilman Flanders. Motion carried.

Councilman Watson made and Flanders seconded a motion that the festival application for Arts in Harmony be approved. All were in favor. Motion carried.

President Blaylock announced spring clean-up day will be May 4.

President Blaylock announced golf cart registrations will be done on April 19, from 3 to 6, April 27, from 5 to 7, and April 28, from 5 to 7.

President Blaylock read Resolution 2018-2 in full. This Resolution authorizes the transfer of funds from the M.V.H. Fund to the Community Crossings Matching Grant Fund. Councilman Wade made and Watson seconded a motion that Resolution 2018-2 be adopted. All were in favor. Motion carried.

President Blaylock read Resolution 2018-3 in full. This Resolution authorizes the transfer of funds from the Local Road & Street Fund to the Community Crossings Matching Grant Fund. Councilman Wade made and Watson seconded a motion that Resolution 2018-3 be adopted. All were in favor. Motion carried.

President Blaylock read Resolution 2018-4 in full. This Resolution authorizes the transfer of funds from the EDIT Fund to the Community Crossings Matching Grant Fund. Councilman Watson made and Wade seconded a motion that Resolution 2018-4 be adopted. All were in favor. Motion carried.

President Blaylock reported that Attorney Bauer had researched the procedures the Town must follow in order to sell property. The first step is to obtain two appraisals. Quotes to do appraisals of the former New Harmony School property and the former Tree of Life property have been received from three appraisers in the amount of \$2,800, \$3,000, and \$4,000. Councilman Wade made and Watson seconded a motion that appraisals be sought from appraisers for \$2,800 and \$3,000 for both properties. Councilman Flanders asked if the former Tree of Life property could be appraised as being out of the floodplain as it is hoped this will occur in the near future. President Blaylock stated this could be requested but will probably cost more. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Park Board President Sue Krozel reported they have presented their proposed budget to Councilman Alsop.

Lore Arneberg reported a meeting was held with Illinois officials regarding the bridge.

President Blaylock noted he feels the estimate that is being quoted to remove the gas line from the bridge is inflated. Ms. Arneberg stated this estimate came from the study done by Morley & Associates, who were hired by the Town.

Councilman Watson made and Wade seconded a motion the claims be allowed and the Clerk pay the same. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Councilman Flanders reported he has been in contact with USGS regarding a survey of the Wabash River. He hopes to have information to provide at the next Council meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:04 a.m.

Alvin Blaylock, President of Town Council

Attest:

Karla L. Atkins, Clerk-Treasurer