



TOWN OF CLEAR LAKE, INDIANA
REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
August 17th, 2020

The Regular Council meeting of the Town Council of Clear Lake, Indiana was held at the Town Hall and by teleconference on Monday, August 17th, 2020 at 7:00PM. Present were Town Council President Darin Thorp, Council Members Bonnie Brown, Brent Schlosser, and Dan Rippe. Tyson Johnston joined via teleconference. Also present were Clerk/Treasurer - Jessica Swander, Marshal- Chris Emerick, Street Utility worker- Guy Rodgers, and Zoning Administrator Jim Lonabarger. There were six residents who signed the guest register and one person who joined via teleconference.

Council President Darin Thorp called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. started with the sighting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

COUNCIL ACTIONS:

1. Approval of minutes from the Regular Town Council meeting held on Monday July 20, 2020 at 7:00PM. Darin Thorp presented the minutes to the Council. Darin Thorp then asked for any additions or corrections. None were given.

Dan Rippe made a motion to accept the Regular Town Council minutes as presented. Seconded by Bonnie Brown. Motion passed.

2. Approval of Voucher Register with Warrants – Jessica Swander presented the Voucher Register with Warrant details.

Disbursements on the Voucher Register are as follows:

Operating Funds:	\$38,763.87
Sewer Funds:	<u>\$88,356.28</u>
Total Disbursements	\$127,120.15

Bonnie Brown made a motion to accept the Voucher Register with Warrants as presented. Seconded by Tyson Johnston. Motion passed.

New Business:

1. Amended Salary Ordinance 2020-02, An Ordinance Amending The Salaries And Wages Of The Officers And Employees For The Town Of Clear Lake, Indiana For The Year 2020, was introduced and read out loud by Jessica Swander.

Brent Schlosser made a motion to suspend the rules for a second reading and for the first reading to be read by title only for Amended Salary Ordinance 2020-02. Seconded by Dan Rippe. Motion passed.

2. Jessica Swander read out loud the Amended Salary Ordinance 2020-02, An Ordinance Amending The Salaries And Wages Of The Officers And Employees For The Town Of Clear Lake, Indiana For The Year 2020, by title only.

Bonnie Brown made a motion to approve Amended Salary Ordinance 2020-02, An Ordinance Amending The Salaries And Wages Of The Officers And Employees For The Town Of Clear Lake, Indiana For The Year 2020. Seconded by Dan Rippe. Motion passed.

3. Street and Sewer Superintendent Position Employment Agreement was introduced by Darin Thorp.

Bonnie Brown made a motion to accept and approve the Employment Agreement for Guy Rodgers promotion to Street and Sewer Superintendent at the rate of \$23.58 per hour and a one-time bonus of \$1,729.20 for acting in the position since. Seconded by Tyson Johnston. Motion passed.

REPORTS:

1. Financial Report – Jessica Swander presented the financial report showing financials through July 2020. Report is on file.
2. Marshals Report- Chris Emerick discussed Marshal activity around the lake. Report is on file.

Chris Emerick informed the council that the cable on the boat lift had snapped and needed replaced.

Brent Schlosser made a motion to approve Chris Emerick to have the cable fixed for an amount not to exceed \$1,000.00. Seconded by Bonnie Brown. Motion passed.

3. Fire Department Report- Brent Schlosser read the Fire Department Report. Report is on file.
4. Zoning Administrator- Jim Lonabarger discussed the Zoning Administrator Report. Report on file.
5. Superintendent- Guy Rodgers discussed activity around the lake. Report is on file.

Guy Rodgers discussed the quote for the catch basin drain at 750 SCLD for \$4000.00.

Bonnie Brown made a motion to proceed with the installation with the catch basin for \$4,000.00 at 750 SCLD with the easement with expectation that it can go higher. Seconded by Dan Rippe. Motion passed.

COUNCIL REPORT:

1. Darin Thorp and Jessica Swander discussed the Cares Act with Council and items available for reimbursement through the state for the Corona Virus.

Brent Schlosser made a motion to approve Darin Throp to sign the Cares Act forms for Reimbursement for the Town due to the Corona Virus. Seconded by Dan Rippe. Motion passed.

2. Dan Rippe gave an update on the Washlers garbage trucks. The combination of rainfall, fluids in the containers, and equipment limitations. Jeff Washler drove the route and witnessed several liquid items in containers. Short term solutions were to request residents to pour out their liquids before being discarded. Long term solutions are looking into purchasing long arm trucks. The capacity is large and have sealed bins. He stated he will be looking to get community input on whether or not it would be a desirable trade.
3. Dan Rippe stated Bridget Harrison from the Conservancy was willing to partner up with the Town for the obnoxious weed ordinance. He stated they are working down a list of action.
4. Bonnie Brown gave information about tree limbs and the height needed for Emergency Services.

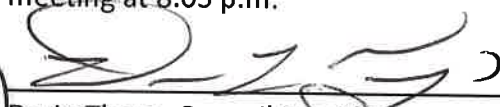
GENERAL DISCUSSION:

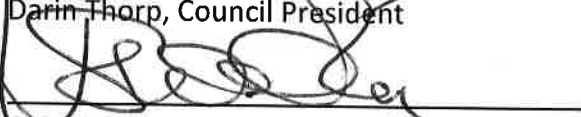
Resident Don Lupke discussed with Council how new members are appointed when a resignation occurs. Jessica Swander pointed out the new members were announced and in the minutes, except for Brent Schlosser due to emergency only meetings. Don also asked about the Town Hall mask policy.

Resident Todd Swander suggested looking into seeing if the funds from the CARES act can be used from extra pumps for the sewer if we can prove the flow is up from prior years due to the pandemic.

Resident John Wilhelm discussed his partnership with the Fremont Fire Department and their demonstration they did in the Town that day. John Wilhelm stated that the exercise today was very informative.

There being no further business or discussions Council President Darin Thorp Adjourned the meeting at 8:03 p.m.



Darin Thorp, Council President

Attest: Jessica Swander, Clerk/Treasurer