

TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES

July 12, 2016

Present were council members Greg Stinson, Erik Wagner, Ross LeBleu, Attorney Greg Sobkowski, Police Chief James Spanier, Fire Chief Louie Craig, Public Works Director Brenda Brueckheimer, Building Commissioner Mike Barry and Park Director Brian Bugajski. Council members Tim Conroy and Bill Lopez were absent.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

LeBleu made a motion to approve the June 28, 2016 minutes as written and Wagner made the second, vote 3-0.

APPROVAL OF CLAIMS AND SEWER ADJUSTMENTS

Wagner made a motion to approve the claims and sewer adjustments as presented, LeBleu made the second, vote 3-0.

COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR

None

CLERK TREASURER REPORT

Pomeroy stated that when Ordinance 2016-08 was approved, it created Fund #257 LOIT Special Distribution and failed to mention that Revenue account #257213.000 and Appropriation # 257-001-451 Street Paving was also created. The LOIT distribution of \$125,919.40 was entered into appropriation 257-001-451.

ATTORNEY REPORT

Attorney Sobkowski said he received a contract from Indiana Department of Transportation (INDOT) for the widening of Highway 20 and to purchase property near Hokanson Road and Highway 20 in the amount of \$10,700. A contract error lists the land as belonging to Porter County Park Department instead of the Porter Park Department. He said the correction is being made and he will present it to council at next meeting.

POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT

None

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Fire Chief Craig stated that he has not received all the CO2 permits from landlords. Craig said he will give a list of landlords that have not complied to Building Commissioner Barry to issue warning tickets.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT REPORT

Public Works Director Brueckheimer noted that she received three bids from three banks for the Kubota M6-131 tractor and Land Pride mower. The lowest interest rate was from Horizon Bank at 2.30%. The total cost of loan for five years is \$92,172.30 with annual payments of

\$18,434.46. Wagner made a motion to accept the Horizon Bank quote of 2.30% interest with five annual payments of \$18,434.46 and LeBlue made the second, vote 3-0.

Brueckheimer presented bids for a 2017 dump truck. Brueckheimer said Truck City, with a quote for a 2017 Freightliner dump truck for \$165,044.00, was the only company that met all specifications advertised. Brueckheimer also received quotes for financing. Horizon Bank presented the lowest quote of 2.30% for five years. The annual payment will be \$33,768.00. Stinson asked the life expectancy of the dump truck and she responded 20-30 years with a good maintenance plan. Wagner made a motion to table until the next meeting and LeBleu made the second, vote 3-0.

PARK DEPARTMENT REPORT

Park Director Bugajski thanked the police, fire and public works departments for their help at 4th Fest.

BUILDING DEPARTMENT REPORT

Building Commissioner Mike Barry presented 9 contractors for approval, LeBleu made a motion to accept the 9 new contractors and Wagner made the second, vote 3-0. Barry stated that the milling and paving has started for the downtown section.

NEW BUSINESS

Health Insurance

Insurance agent Steve Brady of Heritage Advisory Group stated that the renewal with Starmark would be 59% increase. He said he received six bids, three for fully funded and three self-insured plans. Brady recommended United Healthcare, a fully-funded plan. He stated that there would be minimal changes of premium to employees and the town. Brady also stated that the dental insurance would increase from \$1,500 to \$2,000 maximum. Stinson stated that the town agreed to 90% of the \$5,000 deductible. Wagner made a motion to accept the United Healthcare insurance plan and LeBleu made the second, vote 3-0.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

None

Dated this _____ day of July, 2016.

Greg Stinson, President

Erik Wagner, Vice President

Ross LeBleu

ATTEST: _____
Carol Pomeroy, Clerk Treasurer