



Town Council Meeting Minutes

December 8, 2020

Town Hall and Zoom– 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call

- Council Members: Barry Wood and Greg Brewer at Town Hall; Tom Strayer, Branden Williams, Larry Longman were on Zoom.
- Employees: Paul Casey, Tonya Galbraith, Ron Crider, Mark Witsman, Ryan Crum
- Clerk-Treasurer Staci Starcher
- Town Attorney Gregg Morelock

Approval of Minutes

- Motion by Mr. Brewer to approve the minutes of November 10, 2020. Strayer. 5-0
- Motion by Mr. Longman to approve the Joint meeting with the RDC minutes of the December 1, 2020. Brewer. 5-0

Clerk-Treasurer's Report

- Posted online.

March Financial Report

- Posted online.

Police Report

- Police Activity Report is posted online.
- Chief Casey stated Officer Dowers graduate from the Academy on Friday November 13, 2020.
 - Indiana Law Enforcement Academy closed until further notice. Officer Case will not start as scheduled.
 - Welfl finished the 40-hour basic and started training at night.
 - Body Worn by Utility camera system installation scheduled for February 22, 2021.

Public Comment- Non-Agenda Item Only

- None

Pulte Informal Presentation

- Rex Ramage with Pulte Homes made the presentation.
- Property located off 1000 N and east of 600 W.
- 14 ½ acres with 35 lots. 52 feet X 135 feet lots. Similar to Oakcrest neighborhood.
- 2nd story would be 2400-2700 square feet, ranches will be just shy of 1900 square feet with an optional loft.
- Price point is \$300,000



Informal Development Presentation- Bridgenorth Homes

- Carl McIntyre with Carrington Homes and Dave Sego a custom home builder introduced their business.
- Mike Leslie, General Manager and Ed Petra, Sales and Marketing also joined team.
- New Palestine was first development. Average price \$300,000 for Quad Unit
- Empty Nester product, open floor plans. Average age if buyer in New Palestine is 70.
- Corner of 900 North and Mt. Comfort Road. 92 Units
- Maintenance free. Windows cleaned, exterior of buildings, snow removal, and ground care taken care of by HOA.
- Clubhouse with exercise equipment. Events and activities are held in clubhouse.

Meadows at Sagebrook 1 Plat

- Motion by Mr. Williams to authorize Mr. Wood to sign, and staff to hold until completion of the punch list items, the Meadows at Sagebrook Section 1 plat. Longman. 5-0

Zoning Ordinance Updates

- Mr. Crum stated the changes were made from the comments discussed last month.
 - Ordinance 111020C was read by title by Mr. Morelock.
 - Motion by Mr. Strayer to approve Ordinance 111020C on second reading with change as discussed to size of address numerals. Longman. 5-0

Hydrant Curb Markings

- Mr. Crum stated this is a problem for Officers to write tickets. Chief Casey stated the hydrants need to be marked more clearly.
- It would be a 4' stripe in yellow paint marking 15 feet in length.

Bids

- **Old Town Mt. Comfort Sidewalk**
 - Staff recommended not to approve bid- higher than expected.
 - Motion by Mr. Brewer to reject the OLCO sidewalk bid. Williams. 5-0
 - Mr. Longman had to step away from Zoom meeting briefly
- **Median Project**
 - Landscaping removed from project. Received 2 bids. Low bidder was CC&T Construction for \$289,411.10.
 - Motion by Mr. Strayer to approve the CC&T Construction for the 67 median enhancement bid of \$289,411.10 and authorize Mr. Wood to sign contract. Brewer. 4-0
 - Motion by Mr. Strayer to approve the Crossroad Engineers for the 67 median inspection fees of \$11,500 and authorize Mr. Wood to sign contract. Brewer. 4-0



Resolution Adopting Creation of Aurora Way Allocation Area

- Motion by Mr. Brewer to read Resolution 120820 by title only. Strayer. 4-0
- Resolution 120820 read by Mr. Morelock.
- Motion by Mr. Strayer to approve Resolution 120820. Brewer. 4-0

Rainy Day Transfer Resolution

- Resolution 120820A read by Mr. Morelock.
- Motion by Mr. Strayer to approve Resolution 120820A. Brewer. 4-0

Salary Ordinance

- Motion by Mr. Brewer to read Ordinance 120820 by title only. Williams. 4-0
- Ordinance 120820 was read by title by Mr. Morelock.
- Motion by Mr. Brewer to approve Ordinance 120820. Williams. 4-0
- Motion by Mr. Brewer to suspend rules. Williams. 5-0
- Ordinance 120820 was read by title by Mr. Morelock
- Motion by Mr. Brewer to approve Ordinance 120820. Williams. 4-0

Encumbrance Resolution

- Motion by Mr. Brewer to authorize Ms. Galbraith to sign contract with Policy Analytics. Strayer. 4-0
- Mr. Longman joined again.
- Contract for 500 N road improvements was recommended by Public Works Committee.
 - Motion by Mr. Strayer to authorize Mr. Wood to sign contract with Crossroad Engineers for \$187,381. Brewer. 5-0
- Motion by Mr. Strayer to read Resolution 120820B by title only. Williams. 5-0
- Resolution 120820B read by Mr. Morelock.
- Motion by Mr. Strayer to approve Resolution 120820B. Williams. 5-0

Public Safety Awareness CARES Act Funds

- Motion by Mr. Brewer to authorize Mr. Wood to sign the Public Safety Awareness CARES Act fund request. Longman. 5-0

Old Business

- None

New Business

- Community Crossings Announcement
 - All submitted projects, a total of approximately 1.3 million, were awarded the Community Crossings Grant for a 75/25 match.



Other Committee Reports

- Redevelopment Commission: Joint meeting went well.
- Plan Commission: Weavers Landing Section 3 approved and meeting schedule for 2021 approved.
- Architectural Review: looked at a new model for Woodhaven and approved the meeting schedule for 2021.
- Parks Board: Did not meet.
- Public Works Committee: Concrete in front of Fire Station and sidewalks in Bay Creek need to be repaired. Received 3 bids with Ground Tech with the best and lowest bid at \$10430. We asked for 6" of concrete and they bid it at 8" of concrete and were still the lowest.
 - Motion by Mr. Strayer to accept Ground Tech bid for \$10430. Brewer. 5-0 \$7500 to be paid out of stormwater and the rest to be paid out of MVH.Recycling hour schedule went out on Friday Blast.
- Vernon Township Fire Committee: Meeting is next week.

Town Manager's Report

- 2021 Holiday Schedule
 - Motion by Mr. Brewer to approve the 2021 Holiday calendar. Williams. 5-0
- 2021 Meeting Schedule- still the second Tuesday of each calendar month
 - Motion by Mr. Brewer to approve the 2021 meeting calendar as presented. Williams. 5-0
- Thank Ron and Santa for virtual Tree Lighting.
- Park Board decided to post pictures or videos of decorated homes on Facebook to show community support.
- The Town adopted 3 families for Christmas. Used funds from our Christmas party to buy the presents.

Public Works Commissioner's Report

- Big thank you to Mr. Witsman and Mr. Crum for their hard work on the Community Crossing Grants.

Planning and Building Director's Report

- Nothing to report

Public Comments

- None

Voucher Approval

- Motion by Mr. Brewer to approve the vouchers. Longman. 5-0.



Adjournment

- Motion by Mr. Brewer to adjourn. Longman. 5-0. 9:15 pm

Minutes Approval

These minutes approved this 12th day of January 2021.

Barry A. Wood, Council President

Attest: _____
Staci A. Starcher, Clerk-Treasurer