



Town Council Meeting Minutes

January 14, 2020

Town Hall – 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call & Pledge of Allegiance

- Council Members: Tom Strayer, Branden Williams, Larry Longman, Greg Brewer
- Employees: Paul Casey, Tonya Galbraith, Ron Crider, Mark Witsman, Ryan Crum
- Clerk-Treasurer Staci Starcher
- Town Attorney Gregg Morelock

Swearing-in of Newly Elected Councilmen

- Mr. Longman and Mr. Williams were sworn in by Mr. Morelock.

Election of Town Council Officers

- Motion by Mr. Longman to nominate Barry Wood to be President of the Town Council. Williams. 4-0.
- Motion by Mr. Longman to nominate Tom Strayer for Vice-President. Williams. 4-0.

Council Committee Liaisons

- Motion by Mr. Longman to appoint Greg Brewer to Police Metropolitan Board and Vernon Township Fire Committee. Williams. 3-0

Approval of Minutes

- Motion by Mr. Longman to approve the minutes of December 10, 2019. Williams. 3-0.

Clerk-Treasurer's Report

- Posted on-line.

December Financial Report

- Posted on-line.

Police Report

- Activity Report posted on-line.
- Chief Casey reported Spencer Case has started and a new hiring process will start in a month

Town Center Plan Presentation- Context Designs

- Fred Prazeau, from Context made the presentation. Liz Mooney and Joe Mayes, both from Context and Tom Dickey from Hageman Group were also available for questions.
- Went through the Vision Principles, the process for developing the plan, what a Town Center may help accomplish, and we must remember it is a long-term plan.
- Presented Inspirational imagery, conceptual illustrations, and detailed conceptual plans.



- Pie chart on the cost magnitude projection.
- Public Comments:
 - Shirley Jacobi, a long-time resident, was on the Committee to help plan the project. She would like to support the project and hopes it will not take 30 years.
 - Steve Long, President and CEO of Hancock Health and Hancock Regional Hospital, was also on the Committee and supports the project. The project will help with the continued development of Mt. Comfort.
 - Suzanne Short, McCordsville Redevelopment Commission Chair, supports this project.
 - Rick Smigielski, a resident, also supports this project.

WWTP Expansion Bond

- Lisa Lee, Ice Miller, discussed Reimbursement of Expenditures Resolution and Letter of Intent.
- Motion by Mr. Brewer for Ice Miller contract not to exceed \$35,000. Longman. 4/0
- Deen Rogers, Baker Tilly discussed the process and fees of the rate study and Bond Services
- Motion by Mr. Brewer to amend and increase the reimbursement declaration from \$6million to \$7million. Longman. 4/0
- Matt Whitaker, Whitaker Engineering, presented a cost savings plan adjustment to the original contract after increased cost to budget.
- Council would not like to cut costs if it will not be cost effective in the future.
- Motion by Mr. Longman to authorize President Mr. Wood to sign new contract with design changes of \$29,000 to include potential savings and bid alternatives. Brewer. 4/0

Informal Development Presentation

- Premier Land Company represented by Richard Henderson
- The development would be called Pine Vail Estates.
- Located off Carroll Road with one entrance off Carroll Road. Villages of Brookside would tie into Pine Vail Estates
- 78 lots on 38 acres.
- M/I Homes would be builder
- There is a creek running through middle of property

Meadows at Sagebrook PUD

- 3rd and Final Reading
- Motion by Mr. Longman to approve 121019A. Williams. 3/0

Acceptance and Dedication of Woodhaven 7A Secondary Plat

- Motion by Mr. Longman to authorize President Mr. Wood to sign plat. Brewer. 4/0



Ordinance 121019 - Salary Ordinance Amendment

- Motion by Mr. Williams to read Ordinance 011420 by title only. Brewer. 4/0
- Ordinance 011420 was read by title by Mr. Morelock.
- Motion by Mr. Longman to approve Ordinance 011420. Brewer. 4/0.
- Motion by Mr. Williams to suspend rules. Longman. 4/0
- Motion by Mr. Longman to approve Ordinance 011420. Brewer. 4/0

Speed Limit Ordinance

- Motion by Mr. Longman to read Ordinance 011420A by title only. Brewer. 4/0
- Ordinance 011420A was read by title by Mr. Morelock.
- Motion by Mr. Longman to approve Ordinance 011420A. Williams. 4/0.
- Motion by Mr. Longman to suspend rules. Williams. 4/0
- Motion by Mr. Longman to approve Ordinance 011420A. Williams. 4/0

Supplement to Code Ordinance

- Ordinance from American Legal Publishing to update the Codified Ordinances online.
- Discussion on whether all changes were correct and complete. Council directs staff to look further to see if all changes and corrections are made.
- Tabled until next meeting

Old Business

- Special Events Permit- almost complete

New Business

- Mr. Brewer started a conversation about possibly having an outside audit completed.
- Staff to look at the value of it increasing the credit rating of the Town for bond issuance.

Other Committee Reports

- Redevelopment Commission: Paid the HEDC dues. Made Bond Payment. Mayor Goodnight in Kokomo spoke. Approved a \$38,000 contract. Approved a fiscal study and 3 bids for the Town Center. Approved an invoice for Context and Financial Advisor invoice for Town Center.
- Plan Commission: Discussed McCord Pointe sections 4 and 5. Weavers' Landing section 2.
- Architectural Committee: Did not meet
- Parks Board: Did not meet.
- Public Works Committee: Discussion on WWTP. Flashing lights Geist Montessori Academy. An update on the project for the round-about at 600 W and 600 N.



Town Manager's Report

- Started working on the Annual Report to be completed in March 2020.
- Attended the HEDC Annual meeting.
- Mt Vernon Champions has a meeting on 1/21/2020. They need our voices.
- Channel 13 interview for Oscar. Pet Pal TV will air interview on the first Saturday in February.

Public Works Commissioner's Report

- All the rain over the weekend did not cause a flooding problem at 500 W and 600 N
- Discussion on the outage of street lights along 600 W. Mr. Crider stated the lights were the property owner's responsibility. Discussion on possible options for the Town to take over maintenance in the future.
- Discussion on ways to remind drivers of the proper procedures at the new cross walks.
- Discussion on updating speed limit signs on 600 N. Only 1 sign and it appears to be placed by the County stating 55 mph inside Town limits.
- Discussion to add speed limit signs on 650 N once the Sagebrook Annex is completed.

Planning and Building Director's Report

- None

Public Comments

- Amy Marshall lives at 6186 W 900 N. She wanted to discuss the traffic problems on 900 for the Geist Montessori Academy. She had to call the police. She wants to know what the Town is doing to correct the problem. She also wanted to state she loved the Pedestrian Crosswalks added on 600. She uses them daily.

Voucher Approval

- Motion by Mr. Williams to approve the vouchers. Brewer. 4/0.

Adjournment

- Motion by Mr. Williams to adjourn. Brewer. 10:17 pm

Minutes Approval

These minutes approved this _____ day of _____, 2020.

Barry A. Wood, Council President

Attest: _____
Staci A. Starcher, Clerk-Treasurer