

Whiteland Town Council
January 11, 2016

Kent Beeson called the meeting to order at 7:15 pm

Present: Kent Beeson, James Klenner, Scott Ford, Dave Hawkins, Andy Brock

Others present: Debra L. Hendrickson-Clerk Treasurer, Norm Gabehart-Town Manager, Dan Cartwright-Community Development, Rusty Snyder-Building Commissioner, Steve Burden-Wastewater Supt., Rick Shipp-Town Marshal, Stephen Watson-Town Attorney

*Dave Hawkins made nominated Kent Beeson as President for Town Council. Scot Ford seconded the motion. Passed 4-0-1 with Beeson abstaining.

*Scot Ford made nominated James Klenner as Vice President for Town Council. Andy Brock seconded the motion. Passed 4-0-1 with Klenner abstaining.

*Stephen Watson-Town Attorney asked if there were any disclosures of conflict on the board and that Kent Beeson had filed the form for Annual Disclosure of conflict. James Klenner made a motion to approve disclosure contract for Kent Beeson. Dave Hawkins seconded the motion. Passed 4-0-1 with Beeson abstaining.

Klenner mad a motion to approve the minutes from December 14, 2015 meeting. Beeson seconded the motion. Passed 5-0

Norm Gabehart reported on financials on the year end totals. Results were very positive.

*Scot Ford made a motion to reappoint Norm Gabehart as Town Manager for a 4 year term. Dave Hawkins seconded the motion. Passed 5-0

*Dave Hawkins made a motion to reappoint Rick Shipp as Town Marshal for a 4 year term. Kent Beeson seconded the motion. Passed 5-0

*Klenner expressed a desire to have an annual vote of confidence at the pleasure of Council in January for Town Manager and Town Marshal.

*Kent Beeson mad a motion to accept the appointments for the following Planning Commission members with terms expiring 12-31-19: Gary Howard, Byron Temple, Andy Marker, Andy Brock, Scot Ford. Dave Hawkins seconded the motion. Passed 3-0-2 with Brock and Ford abstaining.

*Dave Hawkins made a motion to accept the appointments for the following RDC members with terms expiring 12-31-19: Katy Cavaleri, Charles Howard, Todd Clayton, Butch Zike. Kent Beeson seconded the motion. Passed 5-0

*Kent Beeson made a motion to accept the appointment for the following BZA member with term expiring 12-31-19: Richard Hill. Scot Ford seconded the motion. Passed 5-0

Rick Shipp-Town Marshal thanked the council for the reappointment.

December report : 273 runs. 29 runs to the annexed area. 235.25 Reserve Deputy hours. 3543 runs total for 2015 which was up from 2014. Total calls were up 36% from 2012. Rick reported the Annual Christmas Party went very well. There were two lifesaving awards given to Sgt. Derek Cox and Officer Tyler Croy. Officer Brian Smith will receive one for this year. Rick also commended the street department for a great job with the recent weather reporting no slide offs. Rick recognized members of the town when a lady on December 28 came to the town in need of help moving into the town since her movers didn't show up. The employees gave up their lunch hour to help her.

Norm Gabehart-Town Manager reported the demo permit for the old Mr. D's building was issued. Norm reported the promotion of Rusty Snyder to Building Commissioner/MS4 Coordinator, Steve Burden to Wastewater Supt. Norm acknowledged Johnson County Community Development representative Cheryl Morphew was in the audience.

Norm reported the issues with Republic Trash Service was being resolved after a meeting on Friday. We will be passing out doorknockers to get the info out. All residents should call the Town with any questions and not Republic.

Norm read a letter from a resident thanking the Town on helping with a neighbor issue. The resident wrote a donation check which was given to the fire department.

Norm requested approval to pay three invoices to Green Owen Insurance for renewals. Dave Hawkins made a motion to approve payment. Scot Ford seconded the motion. Passed 5-0

Councilman Scot Ford acknowledged the Town's hard work during the bad weather.

Councilman Dave Hawkins commended the Town Manager and Town Marshal for producing a positive attitude in the town.

Dan Cartwright-Community Development, Johnson Memorial project at the Mr. D's site projected ahead of schedule. Dan met with a residential developer about starting back up a housing project. Dan asked for approval to participate in a workshop and webinar pertaining to the Indiana Stellar Project. Ford made a motion to approve the webinar and workshop. Brock seconded the motion. Passed 5-0. Dan will also be meeting with engineers this week on the Roundabout project on Whiteland Road. Dan reported TrueAuto purchased the Maschmeyer Nursery property.

Steve Burden-Wastewater Supt. Reported 8.3 inches of rain for December. No other issues

Norm reported Jeremy Altenhoff was promoted to Water Supervisor. Norm also reported a water test analysis was sent to a lab to be assessed with positive results.

The meeting adjourned at 9:15pm