

WHITELAND TOWN COUNCIL
March 13, 2018

<u>Council members present</u>		<u>Other Town Officials</u>		<u>Other Town Officials</u>	
Kent Beeson		Norm Gabehart		Stephen Watson	
President	<u> X </u>	Town Manager	<u> X </u>	Town Attorney	<u> X </u>
James Klenner		Julia Meece		Steve Burden	
Vice President	<u> </u>	Deputy Clerk-Treasurer	<u> X </u>	WWTP Superintendent	<u> </u>
Scot Ford		Rick Shipp		Dave Gabbard	
Member	<u> X </u>	Town Marshal	<u> X </u>	Water Superintendent	<u> X </u>
Andy Brock		Joe Csikos			
Member	<u> X </u>	Planning & Zoning Dir.	<u> X </u>		
David Hawkins		Eric Funkhouser			
Member	<u> X </u>	Fire Chief	<u> X </u>		

Call to order

- K. Beeson called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm

Pledge

Roll Call – James Klenner absent

Invocation

Adoption of the order of business for the day

Voucher Packet 3-13-18

- K. Beeson presented packet with an exception to exclude “Your Automatic Door Company” from the voucher packet for voting purposes. A. Brock made a motion to accept Voucher Packet 3-13-18 with an exception excluding “Your Automatic Door Company” business from the packet. D. Hawkins seconded the motion.
Passed 3-0-1 (*K. Beeson abstained due to Beeson Mechanical being in the Voucher packet still*)
- K. Beeson presented packet with an exception to exclude “Beeson Mechanical” from the voucher packet for voting purposes. A. Brock made a motion to accept Voucher Packet 3-13-18 with an exception excluding “Beeson Mechanical” business from the packet. D. Hawkins seconded the motion.
Passed 3-0-1 (*S. Ford abstained due to Your Automatic Door Company being in the Voucher packet still*)

Minutes from the February 13, 2018 meeting

- S. Ford made a motion to approve the February 13, 2018 minutes as presented. D. Hawkins seconded the motion.
Passed 3-0-1 (*A. Brock abstained*)

Financial Reports

- J. Meece reported on the beginning balances and ending balances on all the operating Funds. Nothing out of the ordinary to report on General and Water. The Sewer fund had an increase in disbursements from getting the wash-box repaired and the annual hauling of biosolids, both at the Sewer Plant. Presented the Water usage vs billing report. There was a 10% loss due to a few water line repairs fixed in Park Forrest on the Town’s side from the toll of the winter months. Nothing out of the ordinary to report.

Old business - None

New Business – None

Department Heads Reports

- *Rick Shipp – Town Marshal*
 - 331 runs for the month of February. Up about 100 runs to date from this time last year. Reserve officers put in 73 hours for the month.
 - We have held several School Safety meetings with the schools and a round table meeting with the Student Safety Committee, admin and law enforcement. There was also a meeting with the Public to address parent concerns. Those have all gone very well and safety is still a number one concern. There was a mock lock down today at the High School and 9th Grade building. That went very smoothly by the teachers, students and law enforcement.
 - For trainings, the department qualified this past week with our handguns and had a taser recertification today.
- *Eric Funkhouser – Whiteland Vol. Fire Dept. Chief*
 - 68 runs for station 71 in February, the total runs are down from Jan 18 to Feb 18. That is very good for the residents. Medic 71 has been in place for a full month now and is running smoothly. They had 41 calls and 28 transports in February.
 - 228 training hours completed. Training included EMS, Fire & Driver training with newer members.
 - FDIC (Fire Department Instructors Conference) will be held in April with Bargersville being a host site. We are providing a Hot Box for them to use at the site and this allowed us to get free entry passes for our department, this is a huge cost savings for us.
 - The ESO Online Patient Reporting System is now live for Medic 71. This system will sync with other medical provider systems for easier medical record billing & reporting.
- *Steve Burden – Wastewater Supt.*
 - N. Gabehart presented for S. Burden due to him being ill. Nothing to report on the running of the plant for Feb 18. All doing fine.
 - Presented to the board tonight is a R.A.D Fabrication Bid Proposal for \$36,117.00. This bid would be for installing fine screens on the wet well and would help improve the cleaning process at the plant. This has been suggested by IDEM at each review. It is not currently a requirement but could be in the future. We received 3 quotes, one being as high as \$126,000. Spending of these funds was not a line item previously approved by the board, so we are asking tonight for approval to use funds from the Sewer Improvement fund to pay for the \$36,117.00 cost presented. K. Beeson also spoke to the need of this at the plant as well and this price is in our range for getting the work completed.
D. Hawkins made a motion to approve the spending of \$36,117 from the Sewer Improvement Fund. A. Brock seconded the motion.
Passed 4-0
- *Dave Gabbard – Water Supt.*
 - 33 service orders and 45 locates for the month of February. Nothing else to report with the water line repairs stated earlier. Board asked about the status of the Water Improvements. N. Gabehart reported that there is a meeting this Friday and more information will be presented soon, but rough numbers are looking at a cost of about 3 million dollars.
- *Joe Csikos – Planning Director*
 - 8 permits issued (3 for new construction), 4 inspections, and 0 code enforcements for February.
 - The Planning Commission Board is needing a new appointment from Town Council due to A. Brock stepping down due to time constraint issues. S. Ford stated that he will volunteer. K. Beeson made a motion to appoint Scot Ford to the Planning Commission Board effective immediately. D. Hawkins seconded the motion.
Passed 3-0-1 (S. Ford abstained)

- The Board of Zoning & Appeals has a vacant seat is needing filled still. Dan Csikos would like to fill this seat to complete the BZA board members.
K. Beeson made a motion to appoint Dan Csikos to the Board of Zoning & Appeals effective immediately. D. Hawkins seconded the motion.

Passed 4-0

- *Debra L. Hendrickson – Clerk Treasurer*
 - Nothing to report this month
- *Student Advisory Council*
 - Nothing to report this month
- *Norm Gabehart – Town Manager*
 - The State of the Town had a great turn out and if anyone has any questions on anything reported, please let me know.
 - The town will be holding an Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, 3-24-18 with the VFW and Metro Printed Products. The Easter Bunny will be there also.
 - More information to come soon, but the 163 acres out east is in the final paperwork stages after getting held up on the total acres being 163 or 167. This will be huge for the Town and we can't wait to report more on it, just don't want to report fully until complete.
 - Clark Pleasant Academy that is sponsored by the Simon Group is looking at its own Student Advisory Council. They might focus on work force development and shadowing town workers and offices. Clark Pleasant Academy and the Town are working to get this completed, still in the early stages. Very excited about the youth in our county and the future of communications.
 - Street paving plans won't be final until winter is completely over. The weather keeps going back and forth and starting it too quickly will only cause for more repairs in the future. It is a top priority for the Town as well as the State due to this being a hard winter for all.

Council comment –

- Update on the Fire District Merger will be coming into final stages for presentation. And on the Public Works Law for the sewer proposal process, we have met the requirements for bids.

Public comment - none

Meeting adjourned at 7:41 pm.

Passed by the Whiteland Town Council on this day _____ of _____, 2018

Aye

Nay

Kent Beeson, President

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James Klenner, Vice President

James Klenner, Vice President

Scot Ford

Scot Ford

Shawn A. Brock

Shawn A. Brock

David Hawkins

David Hawkins

Attest:

Debra L. Hendrickson, Clerk Treasurer