

**WHITELAND TOWN COUNCIL  
October 13, 2020**

<u>Council members present</u>		<u>Other Town Officials</u>		<u>Other Town Officials</u>	
David Hawkins		Norm Gabehart		Stephen Watson	
President	<u>  X  </u>	Town Manager	<u>  X  </u>	Town Attorney	<u>  X  </u>
Scot Ford		Debra L. Hendrickson		Carmen Parker	
Vice President	<u>  X  </u>	Clerk Treasurer	<u>  X  </u>	Community Develop.	<u>  X  </u>
Laura Fleury		Rick Shipp			
Member	<u>  X  </u>	Town Marshal	<u>  X  </u>		
Joe Saylor		Eric Funkhouser			
Member	<u>  X  </u>	Fire Chief	<u>      </u>		
Brad Goedeker					
Member	<u>      </u>				

**Call to order**

- D. Hawkins called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Roll Call** – All present   **Others present** – Nathan Vrab, Terry Patrick

**Invocation** – Norm Gabehart

**Adoption of the Order of Business**

**Minutes**

- September 8, 2020. J. Saylor made a motion to accept the minutes September 8, 2020. S. Ford seconded the motion.  
**Passed 4-0**
- September 16, 2020. J. Saylor made a motion to accept the minutes September 16, 2020. L. Fleury seconded the motion.  
**Passed 4-0**

**Voucher Packet 10-13-2020**

- S. Ford made a motion to approve Voucher Packet 10-13-2020. L. Fleury seconded the motion.  
**Passed 4-20**

**Financial Report**

- Clerk Treasurer reported balances on all the operating funds.

**Old Business**

- **Ordinance 2020-01, Final Reading**
  - Ordinance helps the Town to create a solution with residents according to where they live

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- J. Sayler made a motion to accept Ordinance 2020-01. L. Fleury seconded the motion.  
**Passed 4-0**
- **Ordinance 2020-10, Howard Property Annexation**
  - J. Sayler made a motion to accept Ord. 2020-10. L. Fleury seconded the motion.  
Passed 4-0
  - Attorney Frank White stated the Resolution 2020-10 needed to be approved before the Ordinance 2020-10.
- **Resolution 2020-10, Howard Property Annexation Fiscal Plan**
  - J. Sayler made a motion to approve the Resolution 2020-10. L. Fleury seconded the motion.  
**Passed 4-0**
- **Ordinance 2020-10. Howard Property Annexation, Final Reading**
  - J. Sayler made a motion to ratify Ordinance 2020-10. L. Fleury seconded the motion.  
**Passed 4-0**
  - J. Sayler made a motion to approve Ord. 2020-10. L. Fleury seconded the motion.  
**Passed 4-0**
- **Ordinance 2020-08, 2021 Budget, Final Reading**
  - N. Gabehart stated there was one revision from the previous handouts. The salary was adjusted for the Police Secretary since there was no increase. The Budget amount was not changed but there were 2 adjustments in expenditure appropriations to balance the difference.
  - S. Ford stated one of the reasons there are funds available for salary increases is due to the Town Manager and a job well done.
  - J. Sayler commented he was impressed on how the Town employees treated people with respect.  
**Passed 4-0**
- **Ordinance 2020-09, 2021 Salary Ordinance (Final Reading)**
  - N. Gabehart summarized what was discussed last meeting.
  - S. Ford made a motion to approve Ordinance 2020-09 for Final Reading. J. Sayler seconded the motion.  
**Passed 5-0**

#### **New Business**

- **Resolution 2020-12, Tax Abatement for Building #4 JDW**
  - Building #4 is a sister Building to Building #2 for the same tenant. Request for abatement has to be prior to construction.
  - N. Gabehart stated this abatement is consistent with all the other ones in the development. It is a standard 10-year abatement.
  - S. Ford inquired if there was any abatement on personal property to which the answer was no. The Town has no liability as far as costs.
  - Thank you to the developers for working with the Town in developing the infrastructure along with the development.
  - S. Ford made a motion to approve the request for abatement on building #4. D. Hawkins seconded the motion.  
**Passed 4-0**
- **Ordinance 2020-15, Saddlebrook Farms Residential PUD Rezoning**

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Passed by the Whiteland Town Council on this day 10<sup>th</sup> of November, 2020

Aye

David Hawkins

David Hawkins, President

Scot Ford

Scot Ford, Vice President

Laura Fleury

Laura Fleury

Brad Goedeker

Brad Goedeker

Joe Sayler

Joe Sayler

Nay

David Hawkins, President

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Attest:

Debra L. Hendrickson

Debra L. Hendrickson, Clerk Treasurer

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- Brian Touhy, 50 S. Meridian, Representative of Saddlebrook Farms gave a PowerPoint presentation of 56 acres PUD to add to the existing PUD with some modifications from rental paired patio homes to for sale paired patio homes. The original plan was for 525 homes and has been downsized to 484 homes due to larger lots and an additional park by adding about 66 acres. D. R. Horton feels it is better for the Town.
- S. Ford inquired what kind of barriers for the ponds. Rick Ellis, Engineer for Saddlebrook Farms stated there will be landscaping berms similar what is constructed on the right side of the road. N. Gabehart states the Town has concerns about barriers on ponds and it will be consistent with other projects. S. Ford inquired if the Town Manager was okay with the setbacks and square footage of the lots. N. Gabehart replied yes.
- Chimneys will be masonry.
- There will be a mandatory HOA.
- Allowance for wider driveways.
- J. Saylor inquired if there were enough parking areas for non-residents. The parking area was pointed out.
- D. Hawkins inquired if the developer could provide any amenities for the parks. Mr. Touhy stated he would give the proposal to the developer for thought and get back to the Council later but promises to work with the Town as much as possible.
- J. Saylor made a motion to approve Ord. 2020-15 Saddlebrook Farms Rezoning PUD. L. Fleury seconded the motion.

**Passed 4-0**

#### **Town Manager**

- Springhill project moving forward.
- October 18, 2020 the Town will assist in supporting in a fundraiser for Zach Tomey, a cancer patient, 5K walk.

#### **Council Comment**

- S. Ford stated a 1946 Whiteland graduate and 1950 graduate from Butler University named George Melloan, who recently passed away, worked for Wallstreet Journal and wrote a book on the Town of Whiteland called "When a New Deal Comes to Town", would like to name one of the parks located in Saddlebrook Farms after him.
  - The Development out east by the Interstate 65 has trickled down economics to businesses such as Kacey's Pizza. And a place called South of Chicago on St. Rd. 135 sent out 120 sandwiches to the workers out at Cooper Tire.
- D. Hawkins inquired if there were any names selected for the parks yet. N. Gabehart stated no.

#### **Public Comment**

- Glen Ferguson, 323 Samuel Drive, Whiteland.
  - Complementing the Town of Whiteland for the employees and the service they provide.
  - Also inquiring if he could get a lower rate on his water bill for being gone for the winter. N. Gabehart stated there was no wording in the Ordinance for such a cause and we cannot change what we charge by Ordinance without an amendment of the Ordinance. It can be looked into at a future date.
  - The Town needs to be careful of the prices of the new homes.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.

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