

**WHITELAND TOWN COUNCIL**  
**June 13, 2023**

**Council members present**

Joe Saylor	
President	<u>  X  </u>
Richard Hill	
V-President	<u>  X  </u>
Laura Fleury	
Member	<u>  X  </u>
David Hawkins	
Member	<u>  X  </u>
Brad Goedecker	
Member	<u>  X  </u>

**Other Town Officials**

Debra L. Hendrickson	
Clerk Treasurer	<u>  X  </u>
Carmen Young	
Community Develop	<u>  X  </u>
Stephen Watson	
Town Attorney	<u>  X  </u>
Shaun Young	
Dir. Of Operations	<u>  X  </u>

**Call to Order**

- J. Saylor called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm

**Roll Call – All Present**

**Invocation – C. Young**

**Adoption of the Order of Business**

- B. Goedecker stated he would like to move the scholarship winners presentation to the top. All signified by declaring Aye. Motion carried.

**Minutes 5/09/23**

- D. Hawkins made a motion to approve the Minutes 5/09/23. B. Goedecker seconded the motion.  
**Passed 5-0.**

**Voucher Packet 6-13-2023**

- J. Saylor had a question about the GIS Dental pending charge in payroll operating. D. Hendrickson stated the checks had not been printed yet and but, will do so before the end of night.
- D. Hawkins made the motion to approve Voucher Packet 6-13-2023 pending the change in the Payroll Operating. L. Fleury seconded the motion.  
**Passed 5-0**

**Financial Report**

- The Clerk Treasurer reported the June Tax Settlement does not show yet since the report is for May. A Form 11 was distributed showing how the taxes are distributed to other funds.

**WCHS Otto Lewis Scholarship Awards.**

- Carmen Young summarized the process. Each will be awarded \$1,000:  
    1. Justin Gick      2. Emma Piercy

**Old Business**

- **Ordinance 2023-02, Restrictions on Boarding Chickens**
  - S. Watson stated that the Plan Commission had an unfavorable recommendation of the initial version. Staff made some revisions. The Council can accept the recommendation or amend the ordinance. The certification was done on the 2<sup>nd</sup> of April.

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- D. Hawkins made a motion to put the amendments that C. Young had created into Ordinance 2023-02.
- B. Goedeker would like to send the amended ordinance to the Planning Commission. Not interested in voting for the original ordinance.
- J. Saylor stated he could not accept D. Hawkins motion because it is not something that has been put in the ordinance.
- D. Hawkins would like to table until the attorney has inserted the amendments.
- J. Saylor stated that action should be taken tonight. The attorney to add the amendments to include the staff report. All signified by declaring Aye.
- L. Fleury made a motion to adopt the redline version and be amended for 1<sup>st</sup> reading. B. Goedeker seconded the motion.

**Passed 5-0.**

- **Ordinance 2023-05, Amendment to the Town Code to Revise Town Manager Powers and Duties.**
  - There will be two positions created to share the Town Manager’s powers if the Council wants to proceed this way. One is Director of Operations and the other is Director of Administration. Both will be under direct supervision of the Town Council.
  - D. Hawkins made a motion to approve Ordinance 2023-05 with Section 12 added 1<sup>st</sup> reading. L. Fleury seconded the motion.

**Passed 5-0**

- D. Hawkins made a motion to suspend the rules for Ordinance 2023-05. L. Fleury seconded the motion.

**Passed 5-0**

- D. Hawkins made a motion to approve the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading and final. L. Fleury seconded the motion.

**Passed 5-0**

- **Approval of OCRA Grant Administration Agreement with Kleinpeter Consulting**
  - Distributed a proposal for an OCRA Grant. Request approval to enter into an agreement with Kleinpeter Consultant due in August. D. Hawkins made a motion to approve. B. Goedeker seconded the motion.

**Passed 5-0**

- **Stone Municipal Group Discussion of Potential Criteria for Considering Tax Abatement Applications.**
  - Adam Stone stated he was asked to explore abatement criteria after different meetings about different incentives possible. Material was distributed to members.
- **Town Manager Position**
  - J. Saylor stated that he feels there is no reason to fill the role at this time. No discussion. L. Fleury made a motion to offer the position of Director of Operations to Shaun Young and the position of Director of Administration to Carmen Young. D. Hawkins seconded the motion. The positions were accepted.

**Passed 5-0**

## **New Business**

- **Ordinance 2023-08, Amendment to the Patch PUD Zoning**
  - C. Young stated Patch did go to the Plan Commission to eliminate Block B and to expand Block C.
  - Plan Commission gave a 6-0 favorable recommendation.
  - Andrew Greenwood, Patch Development, the market has seen a demand for increasing square footage. There are two groups currently interested. This should save time, money, and effort.
  - This project should shorten the bond and payoff time.

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• **Annual review of Abatement Statements of Compliance (CF-1's)**

- C. Young stated found everyone is in compliance.
- D. Hawkins found all in compliance. R. Hill seconded the motion.  
Passed 5-0

• **Town Manager Report**

- Meeting with FEMA in a couple of days.
- C. Young stated the Town has considered putting some funds in with the Johnson County Community Foundation from events so businesses who donate can use it as a charitable contribution.
  - D. Hawkins made a motion to approve the consideration. R. Hill seconded the motion.

**Passed 5-0**

• **Council Comment - None**

**Public Comments**

- Shawn Butler, 599 Greensprings Dr., stated he is concerned about the fees for permits and the limit of chickens. He states he shouldn't have to do what's best for his family. The Council has no right to tell him what dog he can own, what color to paint his house, what crops he grows in his garden. Call me if you have any questions.
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The meeting was adjourned at 9:24 pm.


Passed by the Whiteland Town Council on this day 11<sup>th</sup> of July, 2023.

**Aye**

**Nay**

  
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**Attest:**

  
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Debra L. Hendrickson, Clerk Treasurer

- D. Hawkins made a motion to approve Ordinance 2023-08. B. Goedecker seconded the motion.

**Passed 5-0**

- **Bob Glidden Roundabout Update**

- C. Young and S. Young have been working on road improvement projects along with traffic impact study and engineering study for a roundabout out by the Interstate. After a traffic study it has been determined that there is a lot more traffic.
- Trent Newport, President of Crossroad Engineer, has had a presence in the Town and area a long time. Summarized what the project will require. Approximate cost is \$2,000,000.

- **Ordinance 2023-09, Salary Ordinance, First Reading**

- S. Watson stated since we just created two new positions that are not in the salary ordinance.
- D. Hendrickson stated that the two positions can be funded from what was left over from the Town Manager position.
- D. Hawkins made a motion to approve Ordinance 2023-09 first reading. R. Hill seconded the motion.

**Passed 5-0**

- D. Hawkins made a motion to suspend the rules. B. Goedecker seconded the motion.

**Passed 5-0**

- D. Hawkins made a motion to approve Ordinance 2023-09 second and final reading. R. Hill seconded the motion.

**Passed 5-0**

- D. Hawkins made a motion to set salaries at \$85,000. L. Fleury seconded the motion.

**Passed 5-0**

- D. Hawkins made a motion to make the changes in salaries effective April 3, 2023. R. Hill seconded the motion.

**Passed 5-0**

- J. Sayler stated the Director of Operations requested the employees be allowed to have Monday, July 3, the day off before the Holiday July 4. D. Hawkins made a motion to approve July 3, 2023, be a paid day off. R. Hill seconded the motion. All signified by saying Aye. Motion carried.

- **Resolution 2023-10, Creating a New Restricted Donation Fund for the Lift Station Upgrade Project**

- To create a fund to deposit the money received from Mohr Capital. All signified by saying Aye. Motion carried.

- **Ordinance 2023-06, Revising Town Code Regulations Concerning Tall Grass**

- C. Young summarized the changes in the code.
- S. Watson stated the resident is entitled to request a hearing with the Council.
- D. Hawkins made a motion to approve Ordinance 2023-06 first reading after amendments. R. Hill seconded the motion. All signified by saying Aye. Motion carried.
- D. Hawkins made a motion to suspend the rules. R. Hill seconded the motion.

**Passed 5-0**

- D. Hawkins made a motion to approve Ordinance 2023-06 second reading. B. Goedecker seconded the motion.

**Passed 5-0**

- **Ordinance 2023-07, Revising Subdivision Control Code Requirements Concerning Roads**

- Moved to next meeting.