

Minutes of Greenville Town Council Meeting February 8th, 2016

Council President David Moore called the regular monthly meeting to order. Other Councilpersons present were Greg Redden, Keith Johnson, and Darryl Kepley along with Clerk Jack Travillian. Also attending the meeting were Water Superintendent Steven Schmitt, Town Attorney Chris Lane and several concerned citizens. The meeting was opened with a prayer from Pastor Avery followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Town Council Meeting:

Minutes: The minutes for January 12th 2015 regular meeting were discussed. Motion was made by Councilman Redden and seconded by Councilman Kepley to accept the proposed minutes. Motion passed 2-0 with 2 abstaining (Johnson & Redden).

Marshal Report:

Marshal unavailable for the meeting.

Financial:

Review/Approval Checks and Expenditures: Clerk Travillian presented the forms for the checks written from the utilities and the town. The checks were approved without objections.

ORDINANCE 2016-WO-003: ORDINANCE CONCERNING CANCELLATION OF WARRANTS – OLD OUTSTANDING CHECKS FOR THE GREENVILLE WATER UTILITY OF THE TOWN OF GREENVILLE, INDIANA Ordinance was read. Motion was made for unanimous consent by Councilman Redden and seconded by Councilman Kepley to accept the ordinance. Motion passed 4-0. Second reading was completed. Motion was made by Councilman Redden and seconded by Councilman Johnson. Motion passed 4-0. Third reading was completed. Motion made by Councilman Redden and seconded by Councilman Johnson. Motion passed 4-0.

New Business:

Ordinance compliance: A complaint was received about a property in the 9900 block of Highway 150 about junk. Marshal Craig will be instructed to issue a citation as soon as possible to start fines and legal procedure. Also the council is requesting the marshal contact the Floyd County Health Department about the living conditions with possible rodent issues.

Several councilmembers have been contacted about the vandalism at the Greenlawn Cemetery. There is an ongoing police investigation and the council will have no comment, all questions shall be forwarded to Marshal Craig.

Committee Reports:

Streets and Roads: There was a complaint from the New Albany/Floyd County School Corporation about the snow removal. Upon investigation most of the complaint was about the streets in Heritage Springs, which have not been turned over to the town yet.

The subdivision developer still has responsibility for maintenance, the complaint was passed along to Thieneman Group.

Old Business:

Water shed problem with the property in front of Heritage Springs. The State of Indiana Department of Environment Protection has contacted the council about the problem. The ordinance pertaining to commercial properties was passed along. This will fall under the county's jurisdiction.

Councilman Redden would like the council to reconsider adjusting the number of members or perhaps going to a <At Large> for all positions due to the lack of participation from eligible voters/candidates.

Attorney Lane advised the council there has been no contact on either pending issues, drainage on Pekin Road or the newly enacted holding tank ordinance.

Greenville Municipal Water and Sewer Utility Board Meeting:

Superintendent Schmitt gave the monthly adjustment report. The council accepted the adjustments without comment.

Superintendent Schmitt reported a small leak was detected and fixed. Schmidt has completed the management class.

Superintendent Schmitt has been working with a customer on Voyles Road. The customer is the last customer on the line and has experienced problems with air in the line from time to time. He proposed adding new meter and connection directly from Voyles Road, currently this customer is coming off the old supply line which could be blocked off if the change is completed. The council voted 4-0 to make the improvement along with installing a new flush hydrant.

Customer request for payment plan due to extraordinary circumstance. A customer has had a substantial leak during a hospital stay. The council agrees to allowing payments without penalty as long as current billing it up-to-date. Motion was made by Councilman Redden and seconded by Councilman Johnson. Motion passed 4-0.

Sewage Plant:

Superintendent Schmitt presented a billing statement for a June repair at the Heritage Springs Sewage Treatment plant. The council reviewed the bill and approved paying the original amount bill, however have questions about the remainder of the invoices. The issuer must appear before the council or give a more detailed invoices with explanation of the extra cost. Motion was made by Councilman Johnson and seconded by Councilman Kepley to pay the initial invoice.

President Moore request Superintendent Schmitt contact the Thieneman Group about possible land purchase for future expansion of the Heritage Springs Sewage Plant. The council is requesting the asking price.

Mr. Fleming on Arthur Coffman Road is requesting maintenance on the sewage plant easement. He has sent pictures of exposed manhole covers and some uneven earth above lines. The request will be reviewed by the council with additional review by town attorney.

RESOLUTION 2016-WO-004: RESOLUTION CONCERNING THE AMENDING OF PERSONNEL POLICY FOR THE TOWN OF GREENVILLE MUNICIPAL WATER UTILITY DATED FEBRUARY 8TH, 2016 FOR THE GREENVILLE WATER UTILITY, GREENVILLE, INDIANA: Resolution was read. Motion was made by Councilman Redden and seconded by Councilman Johnson. Motion passed 4-0.

President Moore requested Superintendent Schmitt provide the council with a recommendation for employee advancement/training for future goals of office employees. President Moore would like for the employees and management to start thinking outside of the box on suggestions for improvements of the utility. Suggestion of areas to review, customer direct bank pay, direct deposits for employees as an example.

The council requested an update on the commercial rate increase. Superintendent Schmitt is waiting on Krohn and Associates to contact us.

A customer came before the council with a large bill, she does not believe that there is a leak in her line or equipment. The council suggested contacting a plumber to review her existing system.


No further business coming before the Council, motion made by Councilman Johnson and seconded by Councilman Kepley, passed 4-0, the meeting was adjourned.

Next Monthly Meeting to be held at 7:00 P.M. at Greenville Town Hall located at 9706 Clark Street, on March 14th, 2016.

PRESIDING OFFICER
TOWN OF GREENVILLE, INDIANA



DAVID MOORE



JACK TRAVILLIAN
CLERK / TREASURER