# NASHVILLE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING THURSDAY, JUNE 16, 2016

**ATTENDANCE:** Council members present – President Charles B. King, Vice-President Jane Gore, Councilmember Alisha Gredy, Councilmember Arthur Omberg and Councilmember Dave Rudd. Also in attendance – Town Manager Scott Rudd, Town Utility Manager Sean Cassiday, Administration Manager Phyllis Carr, Town Attorney Andy Szakaly, Police Chief Ben Seastrom, Clerk-Treasurer Brenda Young and Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Debbie Ferry.

## COUNCIL BUSINESS - 6:30pm

1) CALL TO ORDER by Councilmember King at 6:30pm.

#### 2) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilmember King asked all in attendance to rise and recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

3) ROLL CALL by Clerk-Treasurer Young.

# 4) APPROVAL OF AGENDA

President King asked if there were any additions or updates to the agenda. He noted the minutes will not be available tonight to approve.

#### 5) NOTES TO NOTE

President King is happy the garage sale people are putting their signs on stakes and reminded everyone not to put signs on the wooden posts in town.

President King explained before 2014 the Town Police wrote moving violations on town ordinances, however in 2014 the State changed the rules and this could no longer be done unless they had a Town Court. He advised the County Circuit Court has agreed to act as the Town Court and will hear the contested town tickets. President King noted the fines for moving violations written on a town ticket will be less than the fines written on a state ticket and points will not be incurred.

#### 6) CLAIMS

President King announced that Vice-President Gore reviewed the claims that are before the Council. Councilmember Omberg commented that he too reviewed the claims this month and made a motion to approve the claims for the period of 5-13-16 through 5-31-16 and for the period of 6-01-16 through 6-09-16. Councilmember Rudd seconded the motion. Councilmember Omberg noted the AT&T bill was for \$1,700 and asked if they were comfortable with that amount. Town Manager Rudd advised they are making some adjustments to this bill and it will be going way down. All were unanimously in favor of the motion.

Councilmember Omberg advised the Council has before them a claim from Speedway for gasoline in the amount of \$2,504.20 and noted this bill came in late this month and moved to pay the bill. Vice-President Gore seconded the motion. All were unanimously in favor.

#### 7) COMMUNICATIONS

A. Written

None presented.

B. Audience

None presented.

### **BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS REPORTS**

# 1) BROWN COUNTY VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARMENT REPORT

# • REQUEST FOR VOLUNTEERS AT FISH FRY IN OCTOBER

BCVFD Member Benjamin Kibbey addressed the Council and invited the Council and the entire community to help them out with the fish fry the last weekend in September and the four weekends in October. Last year the Township Trustee Brandon Magner, Township Board Member Glenda Stogsdill, the Boy Scouts and Chris Curtin all helped with this fundraiser. BCVFD Member Kibbey explained they need help in all aspects of the event such as helping to hand out food, washing dishes, cleaning tables and etcetera. They begin setting up at 10am and end typically around 3-4pm. Those wishing to volunteer can contact the fire department.

President King advised the department is also looking for volunteer firemen and women as they are desperately needed.

BCVFD Chief Dak Kelp asked what the discussion is with Kitty Hawk Development as posted on tonight's agenda. Town Manager Rudd explained Kitty Hawk Development is also known as Blue Elk Development off of Old State Road 46 and State 46. BCVFD Chief Kelp announced that the Fire Department is opposed to any development in this flood plain and have voiced this since it has been discussed in 2008 due to flooding concerns.

BCVFD Chief Kelp addressed the repaving on Van Buren Street and noted they are losing parking spaces. He questioned if a median was going to be installed in this area of Town. Councilmember Omberg advised they will not be putting in a median rather making the area a bit wider. BCVFD Chief Kelp asked about the temporary lines and the area seems more narrow than before. Utility Manager Cassiday advised the temporary markings are not what the permanent lines will be and they have a new whole set of striping plans.

BCVFD Chief Kelp announced June will be his last month as Fire Chief. Micah Fox will be the new Fire Chief beginning July 1, 2016. The Council thanked Mr. Kelp for his service.

# 2) TREE BOARD REPORT

Administration Manager Carr advised they have not met recently.

## 3) PARKING AND PUBLIC FACILITIES REPORT

# • UPDATE ON VILLAGE GREEN RESTROOMS 27 S. JEFFERSON STREET

Parking and Public Facilities Commission President Lamond Martin reported the Village Green public restrooms are open and have been for about six weeks. The locks have been changed on the Antique Alley restrooms and the signage is down. It is now up to the owner of the Antique Alley restroom property to decide how or if he wants to reopen these restrooms.

Parking and Public Facilities Commission President Martin advised they still have some adjustments to make in the restrooms but there have not been any major problems.

On behalf of the Parking and Public Facilities Commission and the Town Council, President King thanked Andy Rogers and his family for leasing the Antique Alley property to the Town these past many years. Councilmember Omberg asked if the utilities have been transferred out of the Town's name. Utility Manager Cassiday advised all the utilities have been transferred and everything is done.

# 4) ARTS AND ENTERTAINMENT REPORT

## HIRING MEDIA COORDINATOR

Arts and Entertainment Commission Member Nancy Crocker reported the Commission has not hired a Media Coordinator yet but they are in the interview process.

#### • PURCHASE OF BETA SCULPTURE

Arts and Entertainment Commission Member Crocker reported the Commission would like to purchase the BETA sculpture for \$2,500 and asked the Council's approval on this. The funds will come from the Arts and Entertainment Public Art Fund. Arts and Entertainment Commission Member Crocker commented that the purchase of the BETA sculpture will be good for the Town and good for the BETA program. She noted they would like to move this sculpture to Coachlight Square in the future as it would be more visible. Clerk-Treasurer Young commented that they may need a new easement signed to place the sculpture at Coachlight Square.

Councilmember Omberg made a motion to purchase the sculpture. Councilmember Rudd seconded the motion. All were unanimously in favor.

Arts and Entertainment Commission Member Crocker invited everyone to the CineFest event this weekend. Some of the events will be at the Art Gallery and some events at the Playhouse. She also reminded everyone that on Saturday at 3:30pm Habitat for Humanity will be holding a pie auction and at 4:30 Arts Village Brown County Concert Series on the Village Green with the group Silver Sparrow.

# 5) DEVELOPMENT REVIEW COMMISSION REPORT

Administration Manager Carr reported the Commission will meet on Tuesday night.

# 6) CLEAN COMMUNITY REPORT

Utility Manager Cassiday advised he has received their next installment for the report that is due July 2, 2016.

# 7) CHAMBER OF COMMERCE REPORT

Chamber Board Member Teresa Waltman announced they are asking for volunteers to be a part of the dunk tank at the 4H Fair this year and noted that Town Manager Rudd has already volunteered. She explained the funds raised will go toward the Brown County Junior High Reality Store event that happens in December. They also give a small donation to the Hamblen Township Fire Department for the use of their dunk tank. Councilmember Omberg asked if she would like to set up a Town night and she suggested Monday night of the fair week.

Chamber Board Member Waltman announced the June Connections meeting will be next Wednesday, June 22, 2016 at Bear Wallow Distillery at 5:30pm and invited all to attend and tour the facility.

# 8) ANY OTHER UNFINISHED BUSINESS OR COMMENTS THAT MAY COME BEFORE THE COUNCIL

Administration Manager Carr advised they have someone in the audience that would like to speak about the Big Woods Rally in the Alley event. This is on the agenda for later in the evening but she has small children and would like to speak now if possible. A local resident addressed the Council and noted at the last event Big Woods wanted to do human bowling and she doesn't find this appropriate or safe in this small area/alley.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

# 1) ORDINANCE 2016-03 VILLAGE DISTRICT AMENDMENT

President King advised they discussed this at the last meeting. Town Manager Rudd summarized that there is a building that has been vacant for a long time that has some parking issues. The new renter has said the cost of renting additional parking spaces significantly increases the cost of renting the building by 25%. Town Manager Rudd believes it will be a long term issue with this property if they don't work out the parking issue.

Town Attorney Szakaly addressed the map of the current Village District area. He explained the proposed amendment would expand the district by taking in the east side of Jefferson Street and the north side of Pat Reilly Drive. Town Attorney Szakaly read from the ordinance they are amending. It defines the Village District as not a separate zone, but shall be treated as an overlay for the purpose of guidance to builders, landowners, developers and businesses as well as guidance to the DRC for the fair administration of guidelines and standards. Businesses in the Village District shall be exempted from parking requirements of the Nashville zoning code. He sees three ways to solve the issue: rent parking spaces, apply for a variance or be included in the Village District extension.

Vice-President Gore asked if most of the restaurants within the Town limits do not currently have parking as they are also in the Village District. Town Manager Rudd agreed most of the restaurants are in the Village District and are not required to have parking. President King noted the Village District on the east side of Van Buren Street goes down to the school road but on the west side the district stops at Washington Street. Councilmember Omberg asked what the property owner has asked for. Town Manager Rudd advised the property owner would like the Village District to be extended to this area but they also plan to rent parking spaces as well. Councilmember Rudd commented that they don't have to decide on this tonight if they are planning on renting parking spaces. Discussion.

Councilmember Omberg suggested they extend the Village District to State Road 46. Clerk-Treasurer Young noted the ordinance before the Council would have to be changed as it is written to extend to Pat Reilly Drive only. Town Attorney Szakaly advised if the Council wants to extend the district further south, he suggested adopting the ordinance in front of them today and next month they can go further south.

Councilmember Omberg made a motion to have the first reading of Ordinance 2016-03 by title only to extend the Village District down to Pat Reilly Drive. Vice-President Gore seconded the motion. Business owner Nancy Crocker commented that she recommended extending the district to CVS for future economic development. Councilmember Omberg read aloud Ordinance 2016-03 by title only.

Vice-President Gore made a motion to suspend the rules and have the second reading of Ordinance 2016-03 by title only. Councilmember Omberg seconded the motion. President King, Vice-President Gore, Councilmember Gredy and Councilmember Omberg voted in favor of the motion. Councilmember Rudd voted against the motion and the motion passed 4-1. Councilmember Omberg read aloud Ordinance 2016-03 by title only.

Councilmember Omberg made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2016-03 by title only. Vice-President Gore seconded the motion. President King, Vice-President Gore, Councilmember Gredy and Councilmember Omberg voted in favor of the motion. Councilmember Rudd voted against the motion and the motion passed 4-1.

# 2) ORDINANCE 2016-05 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NUMBERS 2003-03 AND 2009-07 THE "HORSE DRAWN CARRIAGE ORDINANCE"

Town Attorney Szakaly advised at last month's Council meeting it was suggested there be a specific ordinance drafted that would address shuttles and as a result a motion was made to simply address modifying the horse carriage ordinance to address both shuttles and horse carriages. The ordinance before the Council does that and he suggested they pass this ordinance and deal with the idiosyncrasies, such as references to veterinarians. in the future. Councilmember Omberg asked about using the train ordinance instead. Town Attorney Szakaly explained after the discussion last month the Council decided the stand alone shuttle ordinance would not be necessary but in the future they may incorporate shuttles into the train ordinance. Discussion.

Clerk-Treasurer Young read from the ordinance and noted the Council will need to designate a shuttle stand and it will need to be marked. Councilmember Omberg asked if the shuttle would be parked at the shuttle stop seven days a week. President King clarified the shuttle will not be parked there at night; it will operate during business hours only similar to the way the train operates. Discussion.

Councilmember Rudd made a motion to have the first reading of Ordinance 2016-05 by title only. Councilmember Omberg seconded the motion. All were unanimously in favor. Councilmember Omberg read aloud Ordinance 2016-05 by title only.

Councilmember Rudd made a motion to suspend the rules and have the second reading of Ordinance 2016-05 by title only. Vice-President Gore seconded the motion. All were unanimously in favor. Councilmember Omberg read aloud Ordinance 2016-05 by title only.

Councilmember Rudd made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2016-05 by title only. Vice-President Gore seconded the motion. All were unanimously in favor.

Clerk-Treasurer Young reminded the Council that they need to designate the shuttle location. Councilmember Omberg moved to designate the spot in front of the Nashville General Store that is already designated as a loading zone. Vice-President Gore seconded the motion. All were unanimously in favor of the motion.

Audience member Jim Hayes asked about the number of licenses that will be available. Vice-President Gore read from the ordinance that the maximum number of spaces is six, which is an increase of three spaces. Nancy Crocker commented that putting a limit on the licenses appears they are encouraging a monopoly for that type of business. Discussion.

# 3) BROWN COUNTY VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARMENT

Washington Township Trustee Brandon Magner reported at the Township Board meeting they voted all in favor in continuing the discussion on exploring whether paid firefighters is an avenue they want to take. They would like to meet with the Council to see what they all want to do, what level of funding they are all willing to provide. They will also need to talk with the County Commissioners about removing Washington Township from the current county wide district.

Councilmember Omberg commented that they need more concrete numbers and look to see how this will affect their Township. Councilmember Rudd advised he attended the Township meeting last night and he is in favor of moving forward with the Commissioners. He too would like to see concrete

numbers. President King commented that they would need some really great ideas for funding but he has wanted for years to have a paid fire fighting staff. Discussion.

BCVFD Chief Kelp reiterated that he has given the Town Council the only viable option and this is State law that fire protection territories can be created and it is spelled out how to do this. The Township has already taken the first step, the Council needs to take the next step. Clerk-Treasurer Young noted the Council would then have to go through the County to see if they will allow the Township out of the Countywide District. Discussion. Clerk-Treasurer Young addressed the question of how the money is raised and explained once the fire department becomes its own territory then a special tax rate can be set such as .06 for every \$100 of assessed value with the town. BCVFD Chief Kelp noted this will be a new tax and the old tax at the Township level will disappear. He added the Town of Nashville does not currently have a fire tax rate so it will create this new tax equal to what the Township rate will be.

Councilmember Omberg made a motion to start the process. Councilmember Gredy and Councilmember Rudd seconded the motion. President King summarized the motion that they proceed and are in favor and will do all they can. They will go to the County Commissioners to get permission to withdraw and form our own fire territory. All were unanimously in favor. BCVFD Chief Kelp asked who will move this forward with the County Commissioners. Discussion. The Council agreed to have a joint meeting with the Washington Township Trustee, Trustee Board on July 7, 2016 at 6:30pm. Town Attorney Szakaly will also be in attendance. They hope to then be on the County Commission's agenda for the July 20, 2016 meeting to bring their request concerning the fire department.

# **NEW BUSINESS**

# 1) BROWN COUNTY AREA PLAN COMMISSION CERTIFICATION FOR M. ACTON, J. WININGER AND W. WININGER REZONE REQUEST – ORDINANCE 2016-06 AN ORDINANCE TO REZONE PROPERTY AT 75 WILLOW STREET

Ora Roberts of Brown County Planning and Zoning read aloud the staff report concerning the rezoning of property at 75 Willow Street. She advised the rezoning petition went before the Area Plan Commission and they gave a positive recommendation to rezone the property from B2 to B3 and asked that a written commitment be made that the property would be exclusively used as a car wash. Councilmember Omberg asked if there was public input at the hearing. Ms. Roberts advised there was quite a bit of public input. President King asked if the car wash would be open 24 hours a day and Councilmember Omberg advised it would.

President King asked for the Council's direction. Vice-President Gore made a motion that they approve it. President King asked for public input. Jim Hayes commented that in general he is opposed to the B3 designation in that the property is surrounded by B2 zoning. He believes it would be easier for the zoning board to add a car wash in B2 rather than the Council changing the zoning to B3. With no further public comments, President King closed the public discussion.

Councilmember Omberg advised that he is opposed to a facility that far off the highway and that noisy running 24 hours a day. Councilmember Rudd commented that this is a mix use area and he thinks the car wash should go in. Vice-President Gore asked to hear from the petitioner and President King asked about the noise at night. Mr. Hahn, the petitioner, believes the noise will be minimal as they will be installing a touch less car wash and automatic bays. He noted with the Police station next door will greatly reduce people causing noise. Mr. Hahn advised the bays will be open north and south, entering from the north and exiting the south.

Councilmember Rudd made a motion to have the first reading of Ordinance 2016-06 by title only. Vice-President Gore seconded the motion. All were unanimously in favor. Vice-President Gore read aloud Ordinance 2016-06 by title only.

Councilmember Rudd made a motion to suspend the rules and have the second reading of Ordinance 2016-06 by title only. Vice-President Gore seconded the motion. President King, Vice-President Gore, Councilmember Gredy and Councilmember Rudd voted in favor of the motion. Councilmember Omberg voted against the motion and the motion passed 4-1. Vice-President Gore read aloud Ordinance 2016-06 by title only.

Vice-President Gore made a motion to approve Ordinance 2016-06 by title only. Councilmember Rudd seconded the motion. President King, Vice-President Gore and Councilmember Rudd voted in favor of the motion. Councilmember Gredy and Councilmember Omberg voted against the motion and the motion passed 3-2.

2) INDOT GRANT FOR ROAD FUNDING AND ASSET MANAGEMENT PLAN CONTRACT Utility Manager Cassiday advised he has been working on the Asset Management Plan which is the rating of the town's roads. The INDOT grant application has been pushed out to July 29, 2016 but he has all the ratings for all the roads and charted out the way INDOT wants it. He would now like to hire an outside engineer to look at the ratings he has put together and give them feedback on how to proceed. Utility Manager Cassiday noted the Council approved to allow him to spend up to \$7,000 to hire an engineer for this project but he thinks this can be done for a lot less.

# 3) KITTY HAWK DEVELOPMENT – LAKE AND RIVER ENHANCEMENT GRANT REQUEST

Steve Alexander of Prince Alexander introduced himself to the Council and explained he and his wife own Kitty Hawk Development Company that owns the Blue Elk Development property. He advised their property was an integral part of the Economic Development Plan that was prepared by SDG a couple of years ago. That led to working with the Town on a feasibility study for a hotel and water park via a grant through OCRA. Mr. Alexander advised this was a successful market study that has helped them in communicating to lenders and hotel companies in the area.

Mr. Alexander reported before they start developing physical buildings and improvements they want to address floodway concerns, and help improve floodway flood conditions and flood storage capacity on the site with grants. He introduced Eric Spangler, of Hoosier Aquatic Management, as the person that prepares the grant applications and does the construction work as well. Mr. Spangler advised one grant is a DNR called LARE, Lake and River Enhancement Program and the other is an IDEM grant. He asked the Council if the Town would agree to be the sponsor on each of the grant applications and presented the Council a preliminary notice of intent to apply for the grants.

President King commented that one of the things this proposal will do is to change the way Clay Lick enters Salt Creek. Mr. Alexander explained the plans for solving the flow conflicts and creates floodwater storage capacity on the property. Vice-President Gore noted the local Fire Department has issues with the project and have they talked with them yet. Mr. Alexander advised they plan on talking with the Fire Department but first they have to go through this planning to show the solutions they would be doing before starting construction on the other components. Councilmember Omberg asked why they are not going through Brown County Soil and Water. Mr. Alexander reported that the State feels the Town may be a more appropriate entity. Discussion.

Mr. Spangler reported they came before the Nashville Redevelopment Commission and they asked this to be presented to the Town Council. Councilmember Omberg clarified, that they are asking for a government entity to sponsor them to do basically DNR projects and therefore this is Soil and Waters bailiwick and not the Town's. Discussion.

Clerk-Treasurer Young asked if there was anything in writing that the Council could look at since they are being asked to sponsor the grant applications. Mr. Spangler produced the 319 IDEM grant information to the Council for their review. She asked if the Town were to sponsor these grants would it restrict them from DNR or IDEM grants now. Mr. Spangler advised he would put the information together on the LARE grant and get them more information on the 319 grant as well. President King asked what the Town would encumber if they sponsor these grant applications. Mr. Spangler explained the Town would not be financially involved but they would ask for people to attend meetings and be a part of the steering committee. Clerk-Treasurer Young noted the Town would be fiscally responsible for all grant funds as the Town would be applying for the grant. Discussion.

Town Manager Rudd asked when the application deadlines for the grants were due. Mr. Alexander advised the notices have been issued for both grants. Councilmember Omberg asked if the Town was listed as the sponsor. Mr. Alexander advised the Soil and Water Conservation District was and they will not score well with them as a sponsor. They have until September to apply for both grants. Councilmember Omberg doesn't believe they have enough information to make a decision about sponsoring of these grants. Clerk-Treasurer Young advised managing these grants will take quite a bit of work on a grant this large. Discussion.

Vice-President Gore read from the submitted Notice of Intent to Apply and sees that it lists the Town of Nashville as a sponsor and they have not yet agreed to do so. Mr. Alexander explained this holds their place in line for consideration but if the Council does not agree to sponsor them they will go back to square one. Vice-President Gore asked if those listed as anticipated partners have been notified. Mr. Spangler advised they have not been notified as they wanted to come before the Council first. Discussion.

Councilmember Omberg referred to the project description in the Notice of Intent and commented that is sounds almost like a statement from the Town of Nashville, he then read it out loud verbatim. He noted as it reads a lot of commitment from the Town with their name on it that they have submitted. Councilmember Omberg explained this is Mr. Alexander's intent to apply but written as it is the Town of Nashville's intent to apply.

Town Manager Rudd commented that he is not comfortable moving forward with this and if there is more information available they might review it. Councilmember Omberg advised he doesn't mind doing things but they need a lot more information. Vice-President Gore and Councilmember Omberg both agreed that the Notice of Intent makes it sound as if they have already committed. Discussion. Mr. Alexander and Mr. Spangler advised they will bring more information to the Council on this project.

Town Manager Rudd commented that in looking at the project, it does look like more of a countywide project and maybe a Health Department related project. Perhaps they would be taking on more than needed by taking a lead role in this. Councilmember Omberg offered to see what they have but does not want to see the Town's name rubber stamped on an application.

**RECESS** A recess was called from 8:37-8:45pm

## **REPORTS**

# 1) RIGHT OF WAY REQUEST

# • Big Woods Rally in the Alley

A representative from Big Woods was present to get a right of way permit for their Rally in the Alley event on July 16, 2016. Councilmember Omberg asked if they will be having human bowling at the event. The representative said they will not have that event but will have live music outside from 1:30pm to 9pm with a PA system. They will also serve beer in the alley and security will be provided. The representative asked to have Molly's Lane from Honeysuckle Lane to Van Buren closed from 10am to 11pm to allow for set up and shut down.

Administration Manager Carr advised the applicant did send a letter to the neighboring property owner of the Gibson building. The Council asked about the other neighbors to be notified. Administration Manager Carr reported she informed Marla of Big Woods that they must notify residents by letter. Discussion.

Councilmember Omberg moved to approve the right of way request. Vice-President Gore seconded the motion. President King, Vice-President Gore, Councilmember Gredy and Councilmember Omberg voted in favor of the motion. Councilmember Rudd voted against the motion and the motion passed 4-1.

## 2) CLERK-TREASURER – BRENDA YOUNG

# A. Ordinance 2016-07 An Ordinance Concerning Uniform Internal Controls

Clerk-Treasurer Young advised the State of Indiana has adopted the Internal Controls Policy. The attorneys for IACT have written an ordinance template for political subdivisions to use. She noted the fiscal committee will be: the Town Clerk Treasurer, Town Manager/Economic Development Director, Town Council President, Police Chief. They along with the Town Attorney will review the current internal control system of the Town and adopt a policy for the future.

Councilmember Omberg made a motion to have the first reading of Ordinance 2016-07 by title only. Councilmember Rudd seconded the motion. All were unanimously in favor. Councilmember Omberg read aloud Ordinance 2016-07 by title only.

Councilmember Rudd made a motion to suspend the rules and have the second reading of Ordinance 2016-07 by title only. Vice-President Gore seconded the motion. All were unanimously in favor. Councilmember Omberg read aloud Ordinance 2016-07 by title only.

Vice-President Gore made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2016-07 by title only. Councilmember Omberg seconded the motion. All were unanimously in favor.

# • Establishing Materiality Threshold

Clerk-Treasurer Young explained this is a part of establishing internal controls and if they do not establish a threshold it is set at zero meaning there could never be an accident or mistake made by anyone or anything.

# B. Ordinance 2016-08 An Ordinance Establishing a LOIT Special Distribution Fund

Clerk-Treasurer Young advised the resolution the Council previously passed concerning the LOIT funds but has since learned it must be in ordinance form. She will be presenting this to the Council at a future meeting.

# C. Additional Appropriations for LOIT Special Distribution Fund

Clerk-Treasurer Young reported this LOIT Special Distribution Fund will be the one Town Manager Rudd and Utility Manager Cassiday will be using to apply for the matching INDOT funds. She explained the process and if they advertise on June 29, 2016 they can have a public hearing on July 21, 2016 at their regular Council meeting. She asked Council's permission to advertise and schedule the public hearing and they gave her permission. Clerk-Treasurer Young asked for the amount of the additional appropriations. Town Manager Rudd advised the amount is \$78,000 which is the full amount they received from the State.

# D. Budget Calendar

Clerk-Treasurer Young advised there will be a meeting with the Police Department, Town Manager, Utilities and the Clerk's Office next week to work on the budget calendar.

#### E. Overtime

Clerk-Treasurer Young announced the final rule from the state and local governments concerning overtime rules that take effect December 1. 2016 concerning exempt and non-exempt employees. This is something that she will be working on with Department Heads.

# 3) TOWN MANAGER/ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR – SCOTT RUDD A. DNR Updates

Town Manager Rudd advised the Council has in their packets a follow up letter from FEMA concerning establishing new flood plain maps. The Town and County appealed the proposed maps and some of those changes have been incorporated into the new maps and the list of changes are on the back of the letter.

Town Manager Rudd reported the real change when DNR completes their flood plain study which is currently underway. He has talked with their congress people to make sure they listen to requests of needed changes.

# **B.** Health Insurance Policy Review

Town Manager Rudd announced they have selected two new health insurance policies, one is a little bit better than they had before and one is more affordable for employees. He noted that almost half of the Town's employees have elected to add family members to their policy. On top of that the Town's cost to provide health insurance will decrease as well.

Town Manager Rudd asked for Council's approval of the new HSA plan arrangements and the PPO plan arrangements for the Town. Councilmember Omberg so moved. Councilmember Rudd seconded the motion. All were unanimously in favor.

#### C. INDOT Updates

Town Manager Rudd thanked President King and County Commissioner Diana Biddle and State Representative Koch for diligently working to open the Morgantown Bridge as soon as humanly possible. It did open way before schedule and he thanked them for their work on this.

Town Manager Rudd spoke about the recent State Board of Accounts audit the Town went through and noted there was not a single blemish in this four year audit. He noted Clerk-Treasurer Young and her staff handled millions of dollars over those four years and this is a great accomplishment. The Council and audience clapped in appreciation of her work. Clerk-Treasurer Young thanked them and noted she has a great staff and it is amazing when there is not even one suggestion from the State Board of Accounts in the four years of work.

# D. Town Hall Internet, Phone and Email

Town Manager Rudd announced they have formalized a deal with Smithville Communications to bring fiber optic cable and high speed internet to the Town. This will allow them to save a ton of money and their internet will be 8 times faster. They are still working on trying to get Smithville to other parts of town as well.

# 4) UTILITY MANAGER – SEAN CASSIDAY

#### A. Water CIP Revision

Utility Manager Cassiday reported tomorrow he will send out an email to the Council with good news on this project. The OCRA grant information was sent out last Wednesday and they should know if they are awarded the grant by July 21, 2016.

# **B. Street Striping**

Utility Manager Cassiday advised they worked out a few things regarding the street striping including a left turn lane on Washington Street coming into Van Buren as well as some loading zones and parking spaces taken care of. The street stripers began their work this morning.

#### C. INDOT Concrete and Paving

Utility Manager Cassiday reported INDOT has set them up for final review and he has sent them back information as to suggestions of things that need to be changed. Out of the eight suggestions he believes they will get six of them. He is not sure when INDOT will complete their final work but he understands the program finishes this month.

# 5) ADMINISTRATION MANAGER - PHYLLIS CARR

# A. Right of Way Requests

# • Arts Village Concert Series

Administration Manager Carr presented the Council a right of way request for two parking spaces on the northwest corner by the Pavilion for the concert series. This will allow the band to park there to unload and load for each event.

Councilmember Rudd made a motion to grant the right of way request. Vice-President Gore seconded the motion. All were unanimously in favor.

# **B.** Fire Hydrant Inventory

Administration Manager Carr advised the hydrant inspection project has begun.

# C. Street Sign Update

Administration Manager Carr advised the posts have been worked on.

# 6) POLICE CHIEF – BEN SEASTROM

Police Chief Seastrom reported that he received an email yesterday informing him that they have been awarded a grant the Merit Commission had asked him to apply for. The grant will help them fund an investigator position through the Victim's Assistance Program through Indiana Criminal Justice. This will help them pay for a part-time person. Police Chief Seastrom explained he will confirm with the Merit Commission that they want to proceed with this position and will then come back to the Council to have them sign off on the position.

Police Chief Seastrom announced that Officer Williams will go to his assessment at the Police Academy on Monday. He will be attending the Academy beginning July 11, 2016. The Department is also in the process of hiring for two part-time positions that are available.

President King asked about the roof at the Police Department. Police Chief Seastrom advised he has not heard an update on the roof other than they have a couple of contractors come to give them quotes. Town Manager Rudd noted he is still trying to get a quote from another contractor and set up a visit with their insurance agency to do a second evaluation of the roof.

President King would really like to find the water leak out at the Police Department parking lot so they can get the lot paved. Utility Manager Cassiday advised it is not showing signs that it is a broken water line but they will have to excavate to find out what the issue is.

# 6) TOWN ATTORNEY - ANDY SZAKALY

Town Attorney Szakaly had nothing further for the Council.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

Councilmember Rudd moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Omberg seconded the motion. President King adjourned the meeting at 9:44pm.

The audio recording made at the Town Council meeting on 6-16-16 is retained in the office of the Town Clark-Treasurer.

Clerk-Treasurer Brenda K. Young

President Charles B. King

Vice President Jane Gore

Councilmember Alisha Gredy

Councilment ber Arthur Omberg

Councilmember Dave Rudd