

TOWN OF ADVANCE

REGULAR MEETING – MINUTES

LOCATION: ADVANCE FIRE DEPARTMENT

MAY 8, 2017 7:00 PM

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Council Members: Matt Johnson (President), Melody Fry, Dale Thompson, and Jim Caldwell

Clerk Treasurer – Shari Johnson

Marshall: Position Vacant

Attendees:

Council Members: Melody Fry, Dale Thompson and Jim Caldwell. Matt Johnson absent.

Clerk-Treasurer: Shari Johnson

Town Marshall: Position Vacant

Others present: David Gregory, Keith Cromwell, Lisa Henry, Clay Becker, Anthony Petro, Troy Elless, Rick Combs, Joyce Jones, Michelle Reed, Pat Hinshaw, Nancy Hopper, Russ Voils and Dan Fry.

Councilwoman Fry called the meeting to order at 19:00.

Pledge of Allegiance

Councilwoman Fry read Rules of Order/conduct for meetings.

CT Johnson gave an update on the Hazardous Mitigation Committee

CT Johnson stated the meeting summarized a survey that each Town/Area had to complete for the likeliness of occurrences such as Storms, Flooding, or Dam Failure.

Councilman Caldwell stated that all these meetings must be done before funding after a disaster occurs will be disbursed.

Councilman Thompson made a motion to approve the Meeting Minutes from the April 10, 2017. Councilman Caldwell seconded. All in favor, motion passed.

Police

Position still vacant

Councilman Caldwell gave an update on the Police Department and stated only one person could be considered. Sheriff Neilsen will get back with the Town on how the Sheriff's Department can help.

The police cars were checked over. One police car would have cost \$4500 and the repairs were too costly and repairs were declined. The other car was a little over \$1000 to get repairs completed.

Discussion followed.

Clerk

CT Johnson asked if the Council had any questions regarding the Appropriation and Fund report. None were given.

The ceiling tile project in the Hall has been put on hold due to leaks re-starting. The Restoration company has been re-contacted to fix leaks.

Councilman Caldwell made a motion to approve the needed training with AIM and ILMCT including mileage costs for classes for the Clerk-Treasurer. Councilman Thompson seconded. All in favor, motion passed. A Scholarship had been submitted for ILMCT training and hotel expenses.

Councilman Thompson made a motion to approve the second quarter IMPA tracker 2017. Councilman Caldwell seconded. All in favor, motion passed.

Flooding occurred in the Town Hall following storm damage.

Councilman Thompson approved the rental of the dehumidifier for \$161.84 from Kramer Lumber to dry out Town Hall Carpets and for Clerk to have carpets cleaned. Councilman Caldwell seconded. All in favor, motion passed.

Councilman Thompson approved the broken garage door repairs done after hours by Garage Doors of Indianapolis for \$513.00. Councilman Caldwell seconded. All in favor, motion passed.

Utilities

Troy Elless of UMAC - Hydrant flushing would be May 17, 2017 in case residents complained of dirty looking water.

The Consumer Confidence Report was completed and being mailed out by Clerk's office.

From the storms Town went through 140,000 gallons. 2,631,000 were treated and reports will be run with the Clerk's office to determine loss.

Hopper Excavating – Keith Cromwell presented report. Meters were read and rechecked. Water meters would be fixed (4). Meter yokes need to be changed because meters cannot be shut off.

The catch drain in Town Hall parking lot needs to be repaired.

Storm drain across from Fire Station needs to be cleaned out.

The signs in the empty lot need to be moved.

Councilman Caldwell made a motion to approve for Hopper to move the signs for \$175.00. Councilman Thompson seconded. All in favor, motion passed.

Councilman Caldwell stated that Hoppers needed to provide quotes on cost of aforementioned work.

For the Town lot, President Johnson stated a concrete collar needed to be included in the quote. Original estimate for repairs was \$1500 and until get into work, cost may be more. Urgency was stated with Flea Markets being held to reduce risk of liability. CT Johnson stated if costs go over \$1500, work would need to be authorized.

IMPA - Clay Becker of ISC presented that a service request was completed and new underground service was completed.

Emergency work was completed during the storm. Four more poles need to be set.

Mr. Becker requested clarification of poles that are changed out, what attachments are pending. Councilman Caldwell stated the cable was not active and could be cut. Mr. Becker will contact Century Link for transfer of poles.

A resident in town has their meter on the pole. Councilman Caldwell stated the Town owned the pole that the meter was connected to.

Councilman Caldwell stated that a working session for the Town of all Utility Contractors, Gary Ladd, Town Engineer, CT, and a couple Council members on May 15, 2017. A 5-10 year plan for the Town will be discussed. CT Johnson stated her office would be closed from 9-11 a.m. that day for the meeting.

Park

Lisa Henry presented the Park Board report.

Ms. Henry questioned what damage was caused by the storm. The insurance company would be out to assess the Town, including the Park.

Councilman Caldwell made a motion to approve 4 new swing seats at \$41 each, and a new tether ball and cord for \$40. Councilman Thompson seconded. All in favor, motion passed.

Councilman Caldwell stated week killer was donated by resident Jared Lee and it is a concentrate. Mr. Lee will donate more if needed.

CT Johnson stated that SBOA advised the Park Board must have elected officers.

May 20, 2017 is Park clean up day from 9-? CT Johnson recommended someone from the Park Board advertise the Clean Up Day on the Town Chatter.

The next Park Board meeting is scheduled for Monday May 22, 2017 at 7 p.m. at the AVFD.

Fire

Keith Cromwell reported the Fire Department in the month of April 2017 had 12 EMS calls, 3 fires, 2 MVAs, and 3 down power lines.

Claims

Councilman Caldwell made a motion to approve the Claims for May 8, 2017 in the amount of \$84819.32. Councilman Thompson seconded. All in favor, motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS

ITRON upgrade was discussed. Councilman Thompson stated he is personally going to call and discuss with Midwest Meters. No parts can be purchased at this point. Upgrade will be tabled until the next meeting. Council wanted to know what the equipment cost would be.

BIDS for trash were tabled until June meeting. No companies from Montgomery County were capable to service our area. Rays wanted specs to bid.

Restoration company had been re-contacted to fix Town Hall windows again.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Hopper wanted to place a new trailer on empty lot on Cherry Street. Councilman Caldwell questioned if Rachel from APC had been

contacted. Mr. Hopper stated it had gone back and forth between APC and Council. Councilman Caldwell stated the Council would need something in writing from the APC.

Councilman Caldwell made a motion for legal counsel move forward on filing claims towards prior Clerk's bonds. Councilman Thompson seconded. All in favor, motion passed.

Councilman Caldwell commented on new legislation and hopeful Town will be audited soon.

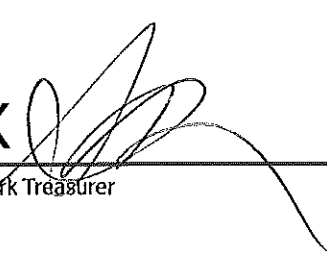
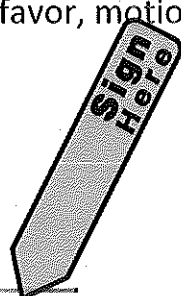
President Johnson commented that trying to find the right marshal is a complicated process and the right person needs to be on board. After the interview process and background checks took longer and there were issues. The Town has been looking outside of the box to co-op with Thorntown and Jamestown and discussions were held with Sheriff Neilsen and town is still working on this.

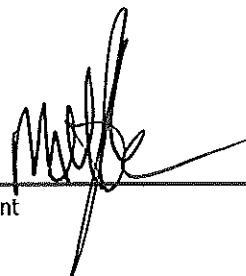
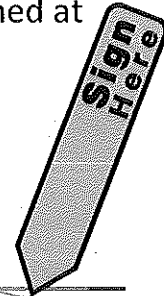
President Johnson thanked CT Johnson and Council for all their help during his absence.

Billing Disputes

No billing disputes presented.

Councilman Caldwell made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilman Thompson seconded. All in favor, motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 19:52.

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Clerk Treasurer

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President