

Town of Sellersburg
Regular Town Council Meeting
Meeting Minutes

DATE: January 30, 2017

CALLED TO ORDER: President Paul J. Rhodes called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. at the Sellersburg Town Hall, 316 E. Utica Street, Sellersburg, Indiana.

ROLL CALL: President Paul J. Rhodes, Vice President Brad J. Amos, 2nd Vice President Martina P. Webster, Council Member William J. Conlin (arrived at 6:38 p.m.), Council Member James H. LaMaster, Town Council Attorney Jacob C. Elder and Clerk Treasurer Michelle D. Miller.

PRAYER: Martina P. Webster

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: By all present

MOTION TO ADOPT THE AGENDA:

Motion: Brad J. Amos Second: James H. LaMaster Vote: 4-aye, 0-nay, motion approved.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE JANUARY 9, 2017 TOWN COUNCIL MEETING AND THE JANUARY 20, 2017 TOWN COUNCIL EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Motion: Martina P. Webster Second: James H. LaMaster Vote: 4-aye, 0-nay, motion approved.

APPROVAL OF ALLOWANCE CLAIMS AND ALLOWANCE DOCKETS:

Motion: James H. LaMaster Second: Martina P. Webster Vote: 4-aye, 0-nay, motion approved.

APPROVAL OF 2017 LONGEVITY PAY:

Motion: Brad J. Amos Second: James H. LaMaster Vote: 4-aye, 0-nay, motion approved.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

Resolution 2017-R-001 An Ordinance Authorizing a Tax Abatement for Certain Real Property Located within the Economic Revitalization Area.

Motion to approve: James H. LaMaster Second: Martina P. Webster Vote: 4-aye, 0-nay, motion approved.

Permission to allow President Paul J. Rhodes to execute the SB1 for the Tax Abatement:

Motion: Paul J. Rhodes Second: Martina P. Webster Vote: 4-aye, 0-nay, motion approved.

2017-OR-001 An Ordinance Amending Fees Established by Ordinance 96-657:

Motion: Brad J. Amos Second: James H. LaMaster Vote: 4-aye, 0-nay, motion approved.

Martina P. Webster makes a motion to amend the motion to approve Ordinance 2017-OR-001 on first reading:

Motion: Martina P. Webster Second: Brad J. Amos Vote: 4-aye, 0-nay, motion approved.

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Second Reading: Martina P. Webster Second: Brad J. Amos Vote: 4-aye, 0-nay, motion approved.

2017-OR-002 An Ordinance Amending Ordinance 2000-19:

First Reading: Motion: Martina P. Webster Second: Brad J. Amos Vote: 4-aye, 0-nay, motion approved.

Second Reading: Motion: Martina P. Webster Second: James H. LaMaster Vote: 4-aye, 0-nay, motion approved.

2017-OR-003 An Ordinance Establishing Fees for Application to Develop in a Flood hazard Area:

First Reading: Motion: Martina P. Webster Second: James H. LaMaster Vote: 4-aye, 0-nay, motion approved.

Second Reading: Motion: Martina P. Webster Second: James H. LaMaster Vote: 4-aye, 0-nay, motion approved.

Council Member William J. Conlin arrives at 6:38 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS:

President Paul J. Rhodes gives updates on the Executive Secretary Position and asks that the Council vote on an hourly rate of \$18.50 for the position.

Motion: Martina P. Webster Second: James H. LaMaster Vote: 5-aye, 0-nay, motion approved.

Public Works Director Kenneth J. Alexander requests permission to purchase a new garbage truck and four new trucks (2-F150's and 2-F250's) for Public Works with \$25,000.00 being paid from Civil and CEDIT per year for seven years.

Motion: Brad J. Amos Second: William J. Conlin Vote: 5-aye, 0-nay, motion approved.

Public Works Director Kenneth J. Alexander advises the Council that he is exploring options for repairs on the water valve at E Utica/New Albany Street.

RECEIPT OF STAFF REPORTS:

Public Works Director Kenneth J. Alexander advises that Jacobi, Toombs and Lanz will begin field work on Shirley Avenue next week.

Building Commissioner Greg Dietz advises of the updates to the sound system and presentation equipment in the meeting room. He would like to add a projector and monitor also. Motion to add projector and monitor up to \$2,000.00 in the meeting room.

Motion: Brad J. Amos Second: William J. Conlin Vote: 5-aye, 0-nay, motion approved.

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Town Council Attorney Jacob C. Elder: advises that Butler Road is private property and all property owners have to agree before anything can be done. The animal control ordinance will be added to the next agenda and longevity claims will be removed from the agenda and the non-reverting maintenance fund for the Recreation Board needs rescinded.

Town Council Member Brad J. Amos gives updates on improvements at the pool and the Recreation Board.

Town Council Member Martina P. Webster advises that the 2017 utility bills for the Town Hall will be split equally between water and sewer.

Paul J. Rhodes advises that Brenda Maymon in requesting a sign for her daughter who was in the Paralympics. Mr. Rhodes asks Public Works Director Kenneth J. Alexander who would be responsible for purchasing the sign and Mr. Alexander advises that the Town would.

Clerk Treasurer Michelle D. Miller wants to make sure the Council is aware that Public Works Director Kenneth J. Alexander gave his son-in-law, Walter Brown, a \$3.87 per hour raise for 2017 and that Mr. Brown works an average of 562 annually which will have him making over \$74,000.00 with regular pay, overtime, longevity and on-call pay. Clerk Treasurer Michelle D. Miller advises that several employees have complained. President Paul J. Rhodes states that Mr. Brown received the raise due to his additional responsibilities as Water Operator.

Town Council Member James H. LaMaster left the meeting at 7:33 p.m. prior to the meeting being adjourned.

ADJOURN:

Motion: Brad J. Amos Second: Martina P. Webster Vote: 4-aye, 0-nay, motion approved and meeting adjourned at 7:33p.m.

Paul J. Rhodes, President

James H. LaMaster, Council Member

Brad J. Amos, Vice President

William J. Conlin, Council Member

Martina P. Webster, 2nd Vice President

Attest: Michelle D. Miller, Clerk Treasurer