

TOWN OF FERDINAND

REGULAR MEETING

October 11, 2016

The Ferdinand Town Council met for their regular meeting at 7:30 PM on Tuesday, October 11, 2016 in the Town Hall. Present were President, Ken Sicard, Debbie Johnson and Ron Weyer Council members, Clerk Treasurer, Beverly Schulthise, and Town Attorney, Bill Shaneyfelt. The first order of business was the budget adoption hearing at 7:30 PM. Bev advertised the budget of \$2,746,253 and 2017 tax rate of \$.7727 per \$100 of assessed value of \$113,422,763. The 2016 tax rate was \$.6387. The adopted tax levy is \$731,787. Ordinance 2016-17, an ordinance or resolution for appropriations and tax rates was adopted at meeting introduced on motion by Ron and seconded by Debbie. Motion carried 3-yes, 0-no. Minutes of Sept. 13, 2016 approved. Ron made motion and Debbie seconded. Motion carried 3-yes, 0-no.

Lloyd Froman, Chief, said Brian, Nathan and himself are taking NIMS 400 class. He said we have five reserve officers but they are limited in their ability to help due to employment and deployment. With all the different events Ferdinand has, it takes many reserves. Lloyd would like to start the application process for two new reserve officers. This would bring department to seven. Debbie made a motion and Ron seconded to start the application process for two new reserve officers. Motion carried 3-yes, 0-no. Transmission failed in 2008 Impala we were going to trade-in. A dealer from Corydon, IN quoted a price for two 2016 Dodge Chargers of \$45,300.00, less trade-in of \$2750.00 would make the final price \$42,550.00 This will be invoiced in 2017 because that is when they are budgeted. Debbie made a motion and Ron seconded to purchase two 2016 Dodge chargers for \$42,550.00. Motion carried 3-yes, 0-no.

Dan Lindauer, Fire Chief, reported 6 runs for September, three were fires and three first responder runs. The overhead doors and entrance doors need painting at Fire Station #1 and #2 and EMS Ambulance building. Dan received a quote from Weyer Painting for \$2,725.00 to paint doors. The painting was approved on motion by Ron and Debbie seconded. Motion carried 3-yes, 0-no. The assistant Fire Chief, Luke Fleck, requested to shut down Michigan Street between 14th and 15th street for Firemen's parade on Sunday, October 17th. Ron made motion to close streets and Debbie seconded. Motion carried 3-yes, 0-no. Firemen should contact all people on those streets.

Henry Haake was absent. Crane Environmental Services did an environmental assessment of the Old Water Filter Plant. This needed to be done before demolition. The results have not been received yet. Cooper Rail will provide us a price for demolition. Tom Lueken said leaf pick up will start October 18 and continue until all leaves are gone. His department is working on the grant projects including sidewalk and curb. Roger Schaefer said a sewer tap was made at new home on Michigan Street.

Mike Steffe, Park Board president, said that two AED's were donated to park from Memorial Hospital. Mobel Foundation gave a donation of \$10,000 for construction of grill area at 5th street park. The Rosenvolk Festival is this weekend.

Chris James said the 7th annual Folk Festival was a success. He thanked all Town employees for their work. Nextera representatives enjoyed their time at the Folk Festival.

The bid submissions on the Bio-Solids Construction project was closed on motion by Ron and seconded by Debbie. Motion carried 3-yes, 0-no. The bids needed to be submitted by 8:00 PM. Bids were opened on the Bio-Solids Construction project and taken under advisement for October 18, 2016 special meeting. The results of the bids were as follows: Division 1-Phosphorus removal System

Graves Plumbing-\$131,313.00 with a voluntary deduct of \$10,000.00 if awarded both bids. PPMI Construction-\$136,000 with a voluntary deduct of \$7,000.00 if awarded both bids. Jasper Lumber Co.-\$145,605.00 with no voluntary deduct. Mitchell & Stark-\$148,739.00 with no voluntary deduct. Peyronnin Construction-\$164,340.00 with no voluntary deduct. Kieffer Bros. Construction-\$204,000 with a \$4,000.00 voluntary deduct. Division II-Bio Solids Processing Facility: Mitchell & Stark-\$1,648,333.00 with no voluntary deduct. PPMI Construction Co.-\$1,549,900.00 with \$7,500 voluntary deduct. Graves Plumbing-\$1,656,565.00 with voluntary deduct of \$10,000.00. Kieffer Bros. Construction-\$1,830,000.00 with voluntary deduct of \$5,000. Jasper Lumber Co.-\$1,843,850.00 with no voluntary deduct. Peyronnin Construction Co.-\$2,128,330.00 with no voluntary deducts. Mac Construction & Excavating-\$2,165,000.00 with no voluntary deduct. Deig Bros. Lumber & Construction -\$2,451,753.00 with no voluntary deduct. All bids will be reviewed by John Wetzel of Midwestern Engineers, Inc. Debbie made a motion and Ron seconded to have John and Roger review the bids and have their findings for October 18, 2016 meeting. Motion carried 3-yes, 0-no.

The bids were opened for a new ¾ ton truck for the Street Department. The results are as follows: Ruxer Ford bid was \$30,550 with trade in of \$2,000.00 for a difference of \$28,550.00. Bob Luegers bid \$29,730.00 for 2017 GMC with trade-in of \$3,100.00 for a difference of \$26,630.00. Uebelhor & Sons bid Chevy Silverado with trade-in for \$29,207.00. Ron made motion and Debbie seconded to have Tom review bids and come back with recommendation at October 18, 2016 meeting. Motion carried 3-yes,0-no.

Steve Wahl from Knu LLC, a sister company of Best Chairs, was present to request a tax abatement for 35,000 sq. ft. addition to their building. They will be spending 2.1 million for the building. They are asking for 8 year tax abatement and hope to save an estimated \$286,000 in property taxes. Resolution TA 16-2, a resolution designating an economic revitalization area with the Town of Ferdinand was adopted on motion by Debbie and seconded by Ron. Motion carried 3-yes, 0-no. There will be a hearing at 8:00 PM on November 8th for the tax abatement.

Receiving of bids for the 2016 Street project were closed on motion by Ron and seconded by Debbie. Motion carried 3-yes, 0-no. Bids were then opened with the following results: Calcar Paving of Jasper bid \$272,198.50; Hunter Paving of Huntingburg-\$201,810.00; and JH Rudolph of Evansville-\$184,542.520. Bids were taken under advisement for review by Tom Lueken and his recommendation to be made on October 18, 2016 meeting. Ron made motion and Debbie seconded. Motion carried 3-yes, 0-no.

Pat Miller was present to request approval of the Tri-County YMCA monster dash route for October 29th. It was approved on motion by Debbie and seconded by Ron. Motion carried 3-yes, 0-no.

Ed Cole from Dubois Strong talked about what the organization is doing. They have Enterprise loans for businesses and also have produced a flyer that has facts about Dubois County. Lochmueller Group Inc. is working on specs for Water main on Westside and Best Home Furnishings. Our sewer rate ordinance and bond ordinance needs to be adopted and will be done at October 18th meeting. Chris talked to Alan Hoffman to set up a meeting to discuss property acquisition with Sisters of St. Benedict. This land would be near the Old Lake Property. The Park Board has asked Lisa Gehlhausen from IN 15 Regional Planning for assistance with their Old Lake trail Project. The health insurance for employees that we have with All Savers Insurance will increase 23%. IPEP has a more reasonable rate that would be 12% more than what our current premium is. It was discussed to offer employees a choice of two programs where one is the traditional program and the other is an HSA plan.

Lisa Thalhammer will start painting the Mural end of October. The memorandum of understanding needs to be signed and the table of contributions needs to be updated. Ken said that IACT is changing their name to AIM for 2017. The COIT and EDIT tax will now be called LIT(Local Income Tax).

Ron made a motion and Debbie seconded to approve the Legion Burn Permits of November 14, December 11, January 8, 2017, February 12, March 12, and April 9, 2017. Motion carried 3-yes, 0-no.

Halloween hours were set for Sunday October 30, 2016 from 6-8 PM. A training day for Internal Controls Standards was set up for November 15, 2016 at 8:00 AM at the Town Hall for all employees and boards. Ron made motion and Debbie seconded for Bev to attend Fall Conference at Rising Sun, IN at registration cost of \$155.00 plus other meals and room charges. Motion carried 3-yes, 0-no. Also special claim for room charges for IACT convention at French Lick was approved for payment of \$291.54 on motion by Ron and seconded by Debbie. Motion carried 3-yes, 0-no. The modified engineering agreement with Midwestern Engineers for Wastewater project was approved on motion by Debbie and seconded by Ron. Also in motion was to cancel prior agreement. Motion carried 3-yes, 0-no.

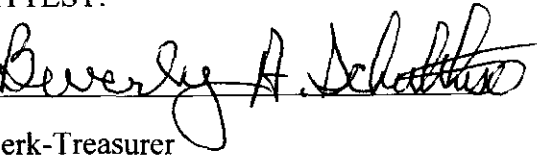
Claims in the amount of \$285,704.96 and \$397,377.60 were approved to pay on motion by Ron and seconded by Debbie. Motion carried 3-yes, 0-no. Ron made a motion and Debbie seconded to have a special meeting at 7:30 PM on October 18, 2016.

As there was no further business to discuss, Debbie made a motion to adjourn and Ron seconded. Motion carried 3-Yes 0-No. Meeting adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

Next regular meeting is November 8, 2016 at 7:30 p.m. The meeting of Economic Development Commission will meet on November 8, 2016 at 6:00 PM. The Park Board will meet on Wednesday, November 16, 2016 at 4:30 PM. Zoning Board will meet Wednesday, October 26, 2016 at 6:30 PM and Plan Commission meeting will be at 7:00 PM.. Special Council meeting is Tuesday, October 18, 2016 at 7:30 PM.

ATTEST:

FERDINAND TOWN COUNCIL


Clerk-Treasurer

