

Meeting of the Town Council of Hometown, Indiana
July 15, 2019 6:00 p.m.
Hometown Town Hall, 15617 Lima Road

A meeting of the Hometown Town Council was held on Monday, July 15, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. In attendance were council members Patricia Freck, Brandon Seifert (P) and Mike Stamets. Also present was Clerk-Treasurer Ryan Schwab; Town Manager Beth Shellman; and Hometown Resource Officer Kevin Surface. Also in attendance were four (4) guests and one (1) reporter. Absent was council members Mike Aker and Gary Grant.

Brandon Seifert called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

COUNCIL ACTIONS

Mike Stamets made a motion to approve the minutes from the July 1, 2019 regular. Patricia Freck seconded. Motion passed, 3-0.

Patricia Freck made a motion to approve the general claims dated July 15, 2019 in the amount of \$220,348.19. Mike Stamets seconded. Ryan Schwab explained that a claim to API in the amount of \$131,098.17 was approved at the last meeting, making this listing of claims higher than normal. After no further discussion, the motion passed, 3-0.

Mike Stamets made a motion to give Town Manager Beth Shellman the authority to execute a change order from API for the Hathaway Road reconstruction project so long as the change order decreased the overall cost of the project. Patricia Freck seconded. Shellman said that API was providing the town with an updated quote for the project with the belief that finished the road with an 1.5 inch asphalt surface would be cheaper than the originally bid chip and seal surface. Shellman would provide the council with an update once API made the cost adjustment figures available. Other topics of conversation included the longevity of asphalt surface vs. chip and seal surface; the look of asphalt surface vs. chip and seal surface; and not wanting to extend the project an extra three weeks for the council to have to make a decision, thus the need to transfer that power to Shellman. After no further discussion, the motion passed, 3-0.

NEW BUSINESS

Brandon Seifert appointed Kent Somers of the Northwest Allen County Schools Board of Trustees to serve as a non-voting advisory member of the Hometown Redevelopment Commission.

OLD BUSINESS

Including items listed under Council action, the following old business was presented:

- The Code of Conduct was re-introduced. Brandon Seifert he would like all council members to be present to vote on the finalized document. The topic will be re-introduced at the August 5, 2019 meeting.

REPORTS

No council members had reports

Hometown Resource Officer Kevin Surface had the following report:

- He is nearing completion of his K9 training and should resume his normal patrol schedule in Hometown by the end of the month.

Clerk-Treasurer Ryan Schwab had the following report:

- He would like council members to provide him information on employee raise amounts and attorney/engineer contract amounts for purposes of budgeting.

Outside of items under council action, Town Manager Beth Shellman had the following report:

- The Pufferbelly Trail 5K is scheduled for July 20, 2019. Team Hometown currently has the most members signed up for its team. She reminded council that registration packets can be picked up from 5-7 p.m. on

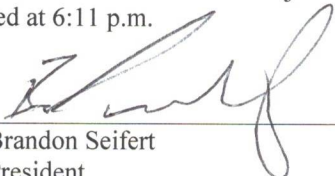
Friday, July 19 and 7-8 a.m. on the day of the race. Temperatures are to be in the mid-to-upper 90's and participants should be prepared for extreme heat.

PUBLIC COMMENT

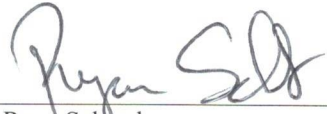
No public comment was brought forth.

Patricia Freck made a motion to adjourn. Mike Stamets seconded. Motion passed with a voice vote and the meeting adjourned at 6:11 p.m.

Attest:



Brandon Seifert
President



Ryan Schwab
Clerk Treasurer