

Meeting of the Town Council of Hometown, Indiana
February 18, 2020 6:00 p.m.
Hometown Town Hall, 15617 Lima Road

A meeting of the Hometown Town Council was held on Tuesday, February 18, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. In attendance were council members Michael Aker (P), Brandon Seifert and Michael Stamets. Also present were: Clerk-Treasurer Ryan Schwab; Town Manager Beth Shellman; and Paul Blisk and Sarah Jones of the Allen County Department of Planning Services. Also in attendance were zero (0) guests and one (1) reporter. Absent was council members Patricia Freck and Gary Grant; and Hometown Resource Officer Kevin Surface.

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

COUNCIL ACTIONS

Brandon Seifert made a motion to approve the minutes from the February 3, 2020 regular meeting. Michael Stamets seconded. Motion passed, 3-0.

Michael Stamets made a motion to approve the general, water and sewer claims dated February 18, 2020 in the amount of \$1,255,872.63. Brandon Seifert seconded. Motion passed, 3-0.

Brandon Seifert made a motion to introduce Hometown Ordinance 2020-007, Ordinance to amend Chapter 154 of the Town of Hometown, State of Indiana, Ordinance. Michael Stamets seconded. Sarah Jones with the Allen County Department of planning Services provided an overview of the ordinance, noting the updates to the landscaping code. Beth Shellman stated that a public hearing for this ordinance was already held by the County DPS with no comment brought forth. After no further discussion, the motion passed, 3-0.

Michael Stamets made a motion to introduce Hometown Ordinance 2020-008, an Ordinance amending ordinance 04-002 by adding an Enforcement Section for Violations thereof. Brandon Seifert seconded. Beth Shellman informed the council that the current version of the town's Noise Ordinance did not include the enforcement section as other ordinances does and the purpose of this ordinance was to add language allowing the Town Council, Clerk-Treasurer and Allen County Sheriff's Department to serve as enforcement agents. After no further discussion, the motion passed, 3-0.

Brandon Seifert made a motion to approve payment not-to-exceed \$800, allowing the Town of Hometown to pay for Hometown Hero banners for its current employees, council members and utility board members. Michael Stamets seconded. Mike Aker asked for the not-to-exceed amount in the event that an individual did not want to be recognized with a banner. The town has eight (8) individuals who would qualify for a banner. After no further discussion, the motion passed, 3-0.

NEW BUSINESS

Outside of items listed under Council Action, no new business was brought forth.

OLD BUSINESS

No Old Business was brought forth.

REPORTS

No Council Reports were brought forth.

Hometown Resource Officer Kevin Surface was absent.

Clerk-Treasurer Ryan Schwab had no report.

Outside of items listed under Council Action, Town Manager Beth Shellman had the following report:

- The town has been approved for an 80/20 Federal Aid project to reconstruct the Kell Road Bridge. The award amount is \$736,000 and construction is expected to start in fiscal year 2025.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment was brought forth.

Michael Stamets made a motion to adjourn. Brandon Seifert seconded. Motion passed with a voice vote and the meeting adjourned at 6:14 p.m.

Attest: Michael Aker
Michael Aker
President

Ryan Schwab
Ryan Schwab
Clerk Treasurer