

**Waterloo Town Council Meeting
March 10, 2020**

A meeting of the Waterloo Town Council was held on March 10, 2020 at 6:02...pm at the Waterloo/Grant Twp. Public Library. Members present were:

David Bolton	Jess Jessup
Nathan Diehl	Ken Surber
Josh Caudill	Pam Howard/Town Manager
David Kruse/Town Attorney	Theresa Messer/ Deputy Clerk

The following business was discussed, and action taken: Unless specified all votes were unanimous.

Communication from the President:

- There were no communications from the President for this meeting.

Communications from the Town Manager:

- All departments contributed to the first quarterly newsletter. Town Manager Howard will send them out with approval.
- Reminder to the Depot to stay healthy via whipping things down to prevent germs from COVID-19.
- Howard would like the street department to get \$1 raise, they do parks, they do maintenance, cemetery, also help clean up properties and aid code enforcement, and they have the money in their budget and deserve it for all they do. Our new code enforcement office is cracking down, and they will have to do the cleaning and mowing of the homes that are in violation. Bolton clarifies that all of their pay and benefits comes out of MVH and none out of the general fund. Jessup reviews the budget of the MVH and the breakdown of the cost of employee and the operating cost. Bolton states that he spoke with David Wolfe and there is \$1 raise already budgeted into MVH. Howard also explains that when the consultants did the budget, they did not appropriate all of the money for MVH, so we need to go to and get that appropriated. Jessup also asks where we put the money from the liens, and Howard explains that the money goes back to the town. She is unsure if it goes into MVH or the general fund. Jessup asks for comparable wages. Jessup stated that he felt blindsided by this, because he was expecting it to be discussed in June. Bolton explains that it comes only out of their MVH budget, they are separate from the general fund, so their money will not affect the general fund. Bolton also explains that Mark has not had a raise in over a year. Howard states that water and sewer employees get raises when they complete courses. Jessup would like to take more time to think about it and put it back on next months agenda.
- Hoping to do community crossings again this year in order to improve streets, which will be a big project.

New Business

- February minutes were approved with changes motion by Jessup (Diehl 2nd). Diehl questions claim 22453 for Domain Listings, we do not need to pay to have something that

google can do for free. Diehl makes a motion for approval except claim 22453 (Caudill 2nd).

- Resolution 20-01 adoption of the Dekalb County Multi hazard Mitigation Plan, Bolton reads the resolution. Howard explains that this was put together by Roger Powers and Mr. Meek finished it. This will allow us to get FEMA money. Each town or city is taking it to their boards, and then it goes to the county. Jessup moves to adopt the resolution (Diehl 2nd).
- The parcels on West Street were still on one parcel number and needed sectioned out. After talking with Mr. Kruse and David Mendenhal, from A & Z engineering was able to parcel out the land. The cost of the survey was \$1020, he had to go back out and resurvey since it is no longer legal to do just do descriptions, it must be surveyed and staked. Mr. Everetts gets the biggest parcel, Clear gets the second biggest, and Betz gets the smallest. These residents have thought that it was their land and have been taking care of the land. Bolton and Kruse discussed doing a quit-claim deed to get the parcels back to the people listed above. Kruse estimates that would have him about a half hour to an hour to prepare the deed. Motion made by Jessup (Surber 2nd). Diehl objected. There is a \$60 filing fee.
- The town is interested in VOIP phone system. Mike Boswell, from Mid-City has presented a solution. The town currently has 7 phone systems, this would provide better service to the taxpayers with the benefits that it would provide with auto attendant, personal voicemail. We will save nearly \$10,000 a year if we switch to this phone service. Mr. Kruse wants to make sure we are not under contract with any other phone provider. Diehl states that the change would be good, but to make sure to talk to all the department heads to find any concerns. Jay Oberholtzer does not want the police to be part of this, he is concerned that if there is no internet there would be no phones and that is not acceptable for the police. This topic was tabled until the next meeting.
- Jay Oberholtzer introduced Jeremy Western, Stephen Brady and Andrew Orwig. He states that Western would like to make a donation of a night vision scope to the Marshal's.

I, Renee Duszynski, the duly qualified Clerk/Treasurer, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and exact excerpt of minutes of the meeting of the Waterloo Town Council, Waterloo, Indiana, at which a quorum was in attendance and acting throughout, and held March 10, 2020, as such appears in the official minutes of said Waterloo Town Council, in my custody.
Meeting was adjourned at 7:12 pm



David Bolton, President



Renee Duszynski, Secretary