

Trafalgar Town Council
Meeting Minutes
June 15, 2017

Jason opened the meeting at 7:04 p.m.

Roll was taken. Jason Ramey - President, Jeff Eisenmenger – Vice President, Betty Davis, Donna Moore - Clerk Treasurer and Town Attorney Bill Barrett. David Moore & Steve Scott absent.

Betty Davis led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Wastewater Credits/Utility Office – Nothing to report

New Business:

Anya McConnell – Field Representative for Rep. Trey Hollingsworth, Ms. McConnell introduced herself. She is the liaison between the Community and Rep. Trey Hollingsworth's office. She wanted to make sure the Town had contact information if the Community or Town needed anything their office could help with.

Kevin Parks – Edinburgh Insurance – Employee Health Insurance, Mr. Parks stated that earlier this year he had informed the Town that Pekin Insurance would withdraw from the Health Insurance market by the end of the year. Mr. Parks passed out copies of the current Health Plan with Pekin. Currently we have a \$1500.00 individual deductible and a \$3000.00 max. It's a Health Savings Account. Kevin shared what he thought was a similar plan through Anthem. He would recommend going through Anthem with the instability in the marketplace Anthem and United would be safe. Kevin passed out the plan information for Anthem. The coverages are very close to Pekin and it would save the Town \$18,000.00 a year. Pekin will allow us to keep the Dental and Short-term disability and the Life Insurance. The Anthem coverage would also include Vision coverage.

Review and approve the minutes from Town Council Meeting Minutes for May 18, 2017. Jason made a motion to accept and approve the Trafalgar Town Council Minutes from May 18, 2017, Betty 2nd. All in favor. Motion passed 3-0.

Old Business:

Park Project – Lee stated they have not started installing the playground equipment, we are running into a issue on the discrepancy on the property lines. Recreation Unlimited said they could get all of the playground equipment in one mulch area if we choose to do that, between the shelter houses over to the basketball court. Jason asks if they could give an outline of the

one area of mulch they were talking about. Lee stated they said they would have an aerial view soon. Everyone agreed to go ahead and install what was originally going to be installed in that existing area, and will hold the remaining equipment until the boundary line issue is resolved.

Mr. Hubbard asks what the hold- up is on the boundary line issue. Bill stated that between the surveyors we have a good idea what the issue is. He would speak with his client at an appropriate setting about possible resolutions.

Lee stated that we do have the signed addendum with K&M Fence Company and we are waiting on the copy to be signed. This should be tentatively scheduled the first or second week of July.

Committee to help with Park Opening – Jason did find people interested in serving on the Park Advisory Board. The names would be Carrie Hogan, Mindy Smith, Judy Misiniec and Kate Taylor. Ms. Taylor resides outside of Town but the Ordinance was drafted to also include someone outside of Town to also be on the Board. We are also waiting to see if a representative from the Trafalgar Library would be interested. Jason made a motion to appoint Mindy Smith, Kate Taylor, Carrie Hogan & Judy Misiniec to the Trafalgar Parks Advisory Board, with the one vacancy to be determined and we will consult the Trafalgar Library on that. Jeff 2nd. All in favor. Motion passed 3-0. The meetings will be subject to the open door law and notice will be given to the Daily Journal.

Water/Wastewater Treatment Plant and Street Commission – Lee gave an update on White Oak Commons what previously was the Walker Sub-division, they have begun to install some sanitary sewer.

Brown County Water would do an emergency connection and it would be based on their current Tariff rate. If we would like to discuss buying more water we need to send them a letter from the Trafalgar Council stating they we would like for them to establish rates. The Council all agreed they would like to explore the option of purchasing water from Brown County Utilities. Lee will work with Bill's office to draft a letter to present to the Brown County Utility Board to obtain an estimate.

The children at play and blind person in area signs have been ordered.

Lee has made a list of the properties in Town with tall grass. Lee will work with Laney Blackwell to get letters sent out to the residents.

Lee stated they were looking at the Wastewater Treatment Plant for the placement of the tornado siren, which is currently located at the old Fire Station on Pearl St.

Planning Commission & BZA- Planning Commission's next meeting is June 10, 2017 at 6P.

Board of Metropolitan Police Commissioners – Next meeting is scheduled August 2, 2017 at 7P.

Police- June 1, 2017 there was a Chief's meeting at the Johnson county Sheriff's Department. Charles gave an update on the radios. The Kenwood radios are just as good as the Motorola radios and we can buy 3 for the price of 2.

Jason stated there was an issue with the Sheriff wanting an Indemnification Agreement to release the liability from the Sheriff's Department with paid part-time Officers working for us. We currently have an Indemnification Agreement which meets our needs as well as the County Attorney and Sheriff's Department and our Insurance. There would be no additional increase in premiums for the remaining of this year with possibly a minimal increase in premiums as a result of this for next year. Jason will sign and present the Indemnification Agreement back to the Sheriff's Department. Bill stated that a blanket Agreement could be presented. For the current Indemnification Agreement it was noted that individual names would be stated and Jason would sign the individual forms and then going forward a blanket Agreement would be signed. Jason made a motion to enter the Indemnification Agreement with the Sheriff's Department and the Town of Trafalgar as presented covering the current 8 part-time Officers, authorizing myself to sign and move forward to make the modifications for a blanket Agreement for future hires. Betty 2nd. All in favor. Motion passed 3-0.

The reserve Durango that we are going to trade in for Clint's new Durango was involved in an accident with a deer. If we fix the vehicle we will get more in trade-in. One of the reserve Officers has found a used front quarter panel, and a used headlight trim. The quarter panel would need to be painted. And all of the work could be done for no more than \$500.00. It was agreed to go ahead with the repair for no more than \$500.00.

Clerk Treasurer –The Town Council will need to review and accept the June 15, 2017 Fund Report. Jeff made a motion to approve as presented the June 15, 2017 Fund Report. Betty 2nd. All in favor. Motion passed 3-0.

Currently Wendy will be out of the office for a couple weeks and we have a temporary employee that will fill in. It was suggested from Bill's office to Amend the 2016-002 Salary Ordinance to also include the Temporary Utility Clerk. Jeff and Jason suggested that the salary amount should be set at \$13.00/hr. and \$19.50 overtime rate. Jason made a motion to change the 2017 Salary Ordinance to accept the Amendment to include the Temporary Utility Clerk position with the hourly rate to be set at \$13.00/hr. and over time rate at \$19.0/hr. Jeff 2nd. All in favor. Motion passed 3-0.

Donna stated that a memorandum was sent out regarding the MVH Funds from the SBOA. With the new MVH rules we cannot pay police officers from the MVH fund. Currently we do pay our police overtime from the MVH Fund. Charles agreed to take the overtime pay from the Police Salary Line item.

The next item would be approval of the invoice from Williams Barrett & Wilkowski in the amount of \$5,983.95. Jeff made a motion to approve the invoice for Williams Barrett & Wilkowski in the amount of \$5,983.95. Betty 2nd. All in favor. Motion passed 3-0.

Donna stated she attended the ILMCT/SBOA Conference June 12-June 15. She did receive a scholarship from the ILMCT in the amount of \$450.00.

Attorney – Bill stated that last month the RDC Council meet to Amend the Economic Plan for the 2 TIF districts to allow the possibility of some assistance to the Fire Department construction. The next step was to present the Order to the Trafalgar Plan Commission. The Plan Commission issued its Order determining that the Amending Declaratory Resolution approved and adopted by the Trafalgar Redevelopment Commission conforms to the Plan of Development for Trafalgar and approving that Amending Declaratory Resolution. The next step would be for the Council to approve and vote on the Resolution 2017-004 & 2017-005 Approving Fire Station Amendment for Area 1 & 2. The final step would be to hold a RDC hearing to take final action. Jason suggested that when the Fire Department presented their information asking for Funds they didn't have a project or value that they were asking for. Jason would like to table both of the Resolution 2017-004 & 2017-005 until next month. The Council agreed to table this until the July 20, 2017 Council meeting.

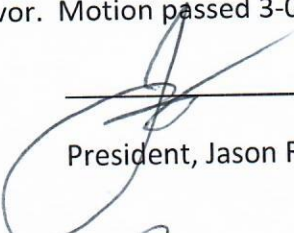
Bill stated with the Pleasant St. dedication request they are still investigating the cost and benefit. The power company has received contingent approval from the BZA to build the road to use the Tower. It's contingent on getting an agreement here.

Donna had brought up Cumulative Capital Development Fund a couple of months ago. To reinstate that it will allow you to raise \$4000.00 additional dollars a year. It has to be done by July 1, 2017 to be effective in 2018. Bill's office will arrange for the hearing which can take place at next month's Council meeting.

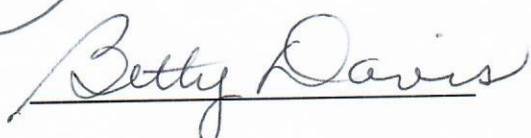
Jason will submit the request to INDOT for permission to shut down SR 252 for 20 minutes to allow access across the road for the parade for the School in September for Music at the Creek.

Adjourn

Jeff made a motion to adjourn the Trafalgar Town Council Meeting at 7:56 pm, Betty 2nd. All in favor. Motion passed 3-0.



President, Jason Ramey

Vice-President, Jeff Eisenmenger

Member, Betty Davis

Attest: Donna J Moore