Trafalgar Town Council
Meeting Minutes
August 17, 2017

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

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

Betty Davis led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Wastewater Credits/Utility Office – Nothing to report

New Business:

Residential Complaint Form – Deb Baughman

Lee Rogers was in contact with the owners regarding the complaint.

Rick Morgan – White Oak Construction – Final Plat Approval

Dave Wilson, representing White Oak Construction, 10967 E US236, Indianapolis, IN. We are asking for a final plat approval for the sub-division at SR135/Pearl St. Jeff stated that the Planning Commission has sent the request on to the Town Council for approval. No additional changes have been made. The Council agreed to have Bill look over the plat before the Council approves. Jason stated that after Bill looks over the plat approval that a special meeting could be held for approval.

INPRS – Hero's Honor Coverage

Donna stated that the Hero's Honor Special Death Benefit is a new benefit for the full-time officers. We may elect to purchase the coverage at $100 per year for each employee. It covers a line-of-duty death in the amount of $150,000. The enrollment period is from November 1 through November 30. David made a motion that the Town will cover the $100 cost per year for the four full-time Police officers for the Hero's Honor Line of Duty Special Death Benefit. All in favor. Jeff 2nd. Motion passed 4-0.

Review and approve the minutes from Town Council Meeting Minutes for July 20, 2017. Jeff made a motion to accept and approve the Trafalgar Town Council Minutes from July 20, 2017,

Jason 2nd. All in favor. Motion passed 3-1. David did not vote he was not in attendance at the July 20, 2017 meeting.

Review and approve the minutes from Town Council Special Meeting Minutes for July 26, 2017. Jeff made a motion to accept and approve the Trafalgar Town Council Minutes from July 26, 2017, David 2nd. All in favor. Motion passed 4-0.

Old Business:

Golf Cart Ordinance Review

Bill stated that the things to decide would be: how big or how small of golf cart, what kind (gas powered or electric), who can drive, where they can drive them, do they have to show proof of insurance, speed limit that would be set, what registration requirements and fees that would be imposed, and what enforcement mechanism will be added. Jeff stated that he thought leaving it up to Bill to write the Ordinance would be best. Jason stated that the Ordinance for Franklin seemed to cover the same things we would also want. Bill will review and modify the Franklin Ordinance and present a draft for review at the September 21st meeting.

Park Project – Lee Rogers

Lee stated that Recreation Unlimited would finish the install on the playground equipment starting tomorrow 8/18. Jason stated he had contacted K&M Fence Company and sent pictures so they are aware the fence has not been completed around the basketball court. Donna stated she is still waiting on the signatures for the additional provisions addendum.

Planning Commission & BZA- the BZA meet on August 14, 2014 regarding the variance on the convenience store for the parking spaces and it was passed. The next Planning Commission meeting is scheduled on August 14, 2017 @6P.

Board of Metropolitan Police Commissioners – Next meeting is scheduled October 4, 2017 at 7P.

Water/Wastewater Treatment Plant and Street Commission – Lee stated that he has been in contact with Bill's office and they are moving forward with the emergency backup connection with Brown County Water getting rates and will continue with updates.

Lee stated that he has been working with Stephen getting work street repair bids for this fall. Stephen recommended we do the same thing we did last year, if the Council will appoint me and someone else to be on the committee, then we can advertise the bids and open the bids. Jeff made a motion to allow Lee Rogers and David Moore of the Trafalgar Town Council to form a bid committee to accept the bid for the street repair/re-pavement for the fall project. David 2nd. All in favor. Motion passed 4-0.

Lee has spoken with the Insurance Company and Wright Choice Construction will take over the flood damage repair to the basement, and they have already started the work.

Mowing letters have been sent out to residents and we will continue to monitor that. Jeff stated the resident at 202 S Illinois has several issues that needs to be addressed. Bill suggested that Dave Parsley should go and inspect the property to start the process. Jeff asks about the resident on 105 S Ward St., the resident had received an extension and that time frame was up in January. Bill's office will now take over the issue with the property on Ward St.

Lee stated that for the crosswalks the State wants everything to be engineered drawings, we are looking at up to $5000.00 for the engineer design work. The estimate for the survey and staking for construction would be around $3000.00. Jason stated that once we have absolute numbers the School System is willing to share some of the cost. For the crosswalk going into Crest Ridge we do have the information on how it has to be constructed and I have been working with the home owners associated on that.

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

Police- Charles stated that the estimate for the graphics for the five vehicles from Print Works would be $6000.00 for reflective ($1200.00 per vehicle) and $3000.00 for non–reflective ($600.00 per vehicle). The estimate from Design Zoo would be $6925.00 for five vehicles for reflective ($1385.00 per vehicle) and $4250 for non-reflective ($850.00 per vehicle). Jeff made a motion to allow Charles Roberts to purchase the reflective graphics for all of the police vehicles for the Town of Trafalgar in the amount of $6000.00. David 2nd. All in favor. Motion passed 4-0.

Charles stated that he would like to have speed limit signs changed on 300W, they are currently 30 mph and would like to see those changed to 25 mph for the School Zone, and I would also like to see and additional speed limit sign of 25 mph as close as we can to the caution light. Lee will check into the State guidelines for the School Zones. Lee will get with the homeowners association at Crest Ridge Estates and make sure they know where the crosswalk will be located and paint the crosswalk.

Charles would like to see if Bill's office would review the current S.O.P's to ensure they are up to date. Charles will send those to Bill to review.

Charles has spoken with Keli Ankney regarding the parade for Music at the Creek regarding the times and the starting point.

Charles handed out a K9 Activity Log for Officer Brody and cost of care. Jeff asks how much longer Brody can be utilized. Charles stated that he was diagnosed with a heart murmur last year and we have no idea how much longer he has. Charles has spoken with the School about helping with a Grant to purchase another K9, and he has not heard anything back from the School.

Clerk Treasurer –The Town Council will need to review and accept the August 17, 2017 Fund Report. Jason made a motion to approve as presented the August 17, 2017 Fund Report. Jeff 2nd. All in favor. Motion passed 4-0.

The next item would be approval of the invoice from Williams Barrett & Wilkowski in the amount of $5,960.00. Jeff made a motion to approve the invoice for Williams Barrett & Wilkowski in the amount of $5,960.00. David 2nd. All in favor. Motion passed 4-0.

Donna would like to introduce Resolution No. 2017-006 Additional Appropriation Resolution. This will be advertised as a public hearing for the September 21st meeting for approval.

Donna presented the Council with the 2018 budget. Copies of the 2017 form 1 were handed out to compare with the 2018 form 1. Lee was asking about an increase for the Street Fund for road repair, Donna will take a look at and get back with Lee regarding funds that can be requested. Donna stated that with the 2018 budget she has also increased the salaries for the Boards as well. Several Towns have run into problems where Board salaries have needed drastic increases because they are not increased by a percent each year. She would like to propose a 3% increase yearly this way you do not run into trying to catch up a large gap with no increase over several years and trying to raise those salaries to where they should be. Bill did agree that other municipalities do step up each year with increases to Board salaries. The percent of the 2018 budget was increased the same as the 2017 budget. The overall increase from last year's budget was $68,387. The public hearing on the 2018 budget is September 21, 2017 @ 6:30 p.m.; the adoption meeting is scheduled for October 19, 2017 @ 6:30 p.m.

Attorney – Bill stated that with the questions regarding the dedication of Pleasant St. It was intended to be dedicated; his office will pursue this matter.

The issue reading the Resolution's No. 2017-004 & 2017-005, approving the Fire Station Amendment Area #1 & Area #2, we still have no idea what projects or the amount of money they would be requesting for funding. The Resolution's will be tabled for the September 21, 2017 meeting.

Bill stated that regarding the Trafalgar Point easement issue, Jason, Lee and I had a meeting with RJ McConnell and have set a proposal for resolution and they are talking with their tenets and investors to see if we can get that resolved including the street issue.

Pertaining to the cell tower easement access, I believe we have an agreement reached with the cell company.

The Sub-Division Control Ordinance we have prepared a working draft and sent it to the Committee which is Steve Scott, John Young, Lee Rogers, Stephen Watson and Bill Barrett, we are still waiting to hear back from some of the members on dates to go over it.

Adjourn

Jason made a motion to adjourn the Trafalgar Town Council Meeting at 8:30 pm, Jeff 2nd. All in favor. Motion passed 4-0.

President, Jason Ramey

Vice-President, Jeff Eisenmenger

Member, Betty Davis

Absent

Member, David Moore

Clerk Treasurer, Donna Moore