

Dillsboro Town Council

January 10, 2022

The regular monthly meeting of the Dillsboro Town Council was opened by President, Mary Lou Powers, with the pledge to the flag on January 10, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.

Council members present: Mary Lou Powers, Tom Wafford, Charles Baker, Doug Baker and Becky Fryman. Attorney present: John Watson.

Prayer was given by Pastor Steve O'Brien from the CARE Team.

2022 Election of Officers. President – CM C. Baker nominated CM Wafford. CM D. Baker made a motion to close. Motion carried. Vice President – CM Wafford nominated CM C. Baker. CM D. Baker made a motion to close. Motion carried. CM Wafford as newly President took over the meeting.

2021 Appointments. Chief of Police – Josh Cady. Town Manager – Susan Greco. Utilities Superintendent – Kyle Cleeter. Utilities Superintendent pro tempore – Dino Schmaltz. Municipal Attorney – John Watson. Municipal Engineer – Curry & Associates. Southeastern Indiana Regional Planning Commission – Susan Greco. Zoning Enforcement – Susan Greco. CM D. Baker made a motion to accept these appointments. Seconded by CM C. Baker. Motion carried.

Redevelopment Commission – Marisa Turner, Brian Murray, Tom Wafford and Dustin Kitchell. CM D. Baker made motion to accept the appointments. Seconded by CM Powers. Motion carried.

Planning & Zoning Commission – Mary Lou Powers, Shae Robers, Mike Heffelmire, Karen O'Neal, Troy Short, Ora Moore, and Joe Vertz. CM D. Baker made a motion to accept the appointments. Seconded by CM C. Baker. Motion carried.

Board of Zoning Appeals – Ted Nail, Mike Heffelmire, Shae Robers, Daryl Cutter and Jim Deaton. CM D. Baker made a motion to accept the appointments. Seconded by CM Powers. Motion carried.

Downtown Dillsboro Design Standards Commission – Marilyn Williams, Melissa Walston, Tom DeVille, Mike Fortner, Annis Luke and Mary Lou Powers. CM Powers made a motion to accept the appointments. Seconded by CM C. Baker. Motion carried.

Annual appropriations from Riverboat Revenue Fund. Park Fund - \$15,000.00 and Lifetime Resources - \$1,500.00.

Erin Thomas, Executive Director from Lifetime Resources, was present and spoke to the council regarding their activities and thanked council regarding past support. This year Lifetime is requesting \$1,500.00.

CM Powers made a motion to approve the Annual Appropriations from Riverboat. Seconded by CM D. Baker. Motion carried.

The minutes of the December 27, 2021 meeting was approved by CM Powers. Seconded by CM D. Baker. Motion carried.

Police Department – Kevin Turner. Thanked the council for reappointment of Cady as Police Chief. Cady is absent due to COVID. Also thanked CM Powers for all her years as Council President. 2021 Tahoe is locked up at the Sewer Plant waiting on parts for the installation of lights. Possibility March 30th. New body camera's are in. Used for primary recording right now. In car cameras should be installed in March.

Utility Department – Kyle Cleeter. Today had a water main break on Bank Street by the church. The on-call phone did not ring. It is fixed now. Waiting on mower quotes from Cornerstone Equipment and Zimmers. Presented the "Brush & Yard Waste" guidelines. CM D. Baker suggested to get away from customers using plastic bags for shrub clippings & etc. Council suggest to put copy in water bill. Kyle also stated there is no solution yet on the large trash.

Town Manager/Economic Development – Susan Greco

Thanked the council for all the support they have given.

Serenity Pines – Documents are recorded. Redevelopment needs to pass the resolution.

Water Improvements Project – Contract signed. There was a conference call with Chris Janak, Robert Reynolds, Lori Young, Dino Schmaltz and Kyle Cleeter. RFI's to contractors by end of January. Deadline for RFI's is February 24th. Bond Ordinance to be presented at Council Meeting on January 24th.

Planning & Zoning/BZA

Smith House – Original deed has been found. Never been recorded at courthouse. Will get it recorded tomorrow.

12933 North Street – owner is turning the little restaurant into a resident. Concern regarding there will be noise and people close by who ever lives there. No parking. County Planning & Zoning will not enforce a stop work order. Council needs to discuss this situation with Mark McCormack.

12227 Rullman Drive – unsafe building order has been drafted.

Mark McCormack will be available to meet with council on January 26. Topics to discuss are amending ordinances, possible services other than blighted properties, changing the permitting process and etc. The Interlocal Agreement for \$7,200.00 will also be discussed.

Dearborn County Plan Commission Fee Schedule was given to council.

Cleaning Service – Contract is signed. Setting up supply account.

INDOT Public Forum – January 27 at 6:00 p.m. at the Dillsboro Civic Club. This is the hearing for the J-Turns on US 50.

Dillsboro Main Street – Need the council to pass resolution to participate in the development of the local Main Street Program. Will have resolution at next meeting.

Dillsboro Arts – 2022 Dillsboro Jazz Festival is June 4. Letter was given to council for some support.

St. Elizabeth Foundation – Received a letter stated town still have \$85,000 pledge towards the cancer center. Town just gave them \$10,000.00 a couple months ago.

AIM Legislative Dinner at Indianapolis is February 8. Let Greco know if you want to attend.

Mike Perleberg, Executive Director of One Dearborn, wrote a nice article regarding some special things happening in the Town of Dillsboro.

Attorney – John Watson. Council was given a draft contract of the Water Purchase Contract with Aurora Utilities. Sign at next council meeting.


Other Business

CM Powers stated the 2022 Election there is three council member positions will be open for election. Any candidates interested the deadline is February 4th. CM Powers stated this information should be publicized for people to know. Greco will check with clerk office the proper information to be publicized.

Pastor Steve O'Brien, CARE Team, asked council for the usage of the park pavilion for the Munch-a-Lunch Program in 2022. Greco did get a grant to purchase a new gas grill and a large storage cabinet. CM D. Baker made a motion to approve the request. Seconded by CM C. Baker. Motion carried.

CM Wafford stated the council will have an Executive Meeting on Monday, January 24 at 5:00 a.m. prior to the regular council meeting regarding personnel.

Being no further business. CM D. Baker made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:13 p.m. Seconded by CM Powers. Motion carried.


Rita Stevens, Clerk-Treasurer

