

**Albion Town Council
Tuesday, October 11, 2016, 6:00 pm
Albion Municipal Building
211 East Park Drive, Albion, IN, 46701**

CALL TO ORDER: Town council president John Morr called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ATTENDANCE: John Morr, President
Max Weber, Vice-President
Vicki Jellison, Member
Don Shultz, Member

ABSENT: Chris Magnuson, Member

OTHERS: Carol A. Selby, Clerk-Treasurer
Stefen Wynn, Town Manager
Matt Getts, KPC Media
Zachary Becker, Town Intern
Casey Myers, Parks Dept
Tom Lock, Police Dept
Jeremy Sponseller, Triad Associates, Inc
Nathan Pulver, Pulver Asphalt Paving, Inc
Brian Stimpson

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Morr asked for approval of the minutes from the regular meeting on September 27, 2016. Weber motioned to approve the minutes, seconded by Shultz, carried 4 Ayes, 0 Nays.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

October 25, 2016 Town Council Meeting – Council member Don Shultz will be out of town for work and unable to attend this meeting. Council president John Morr said he would like to report on the Annual IACT Conference recently held in French Lick, IN at the October 25th meeting.

OPEN DISCUSSION: NONE

OLD BUSINESS: NONE

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Update on Street/Cemetery Superintendent Vacancy

The council has hired Brian Stimpson to serve as the town's street/cemetery superintendent. Mr. Stimpson was present to introduce himself. He has 26 years' experience in street maintenance and operations. He said he is looking forward to being a part of the growth of Albion. His tentative start date is November 7, 2016.

2. Recreation Center Proposal – Marilyn Emmert

Discussion on this topic was postponed at the request of Marilyn Emmert, and will be addressed at a later date.

3. Consideration of 50/50 Façade Grant Application for Friendly Inn

Council voted to approve a recommendation by the Albion Redevelopment Commission (RDC) to approve a Façade Grant request made by Chris & Lynda Blaising for the Friendly Inn in the amount of \$1,600. Motion made by Shultz, seconded by Weber, carried 4 Ayes, 0 Nays. TIF #1 funds are allocated for the grant. The work includes masonry repairs to the exterior of the building. Jellison requested that council members receive a copy of façade grant requests at the same time the RDC is sent the information.

4. 2017 Proposed Budget Estimates – Ref. Ordinance# 2016-20 (2nd Reading)

Council voted to approve the proposed 2017 Budget and Ordinance 2016-20 on its second reading as follows. The total 2017 proposed budget is estimated at \$4,427,470.

Second Reading

Weber caused Ordinance 2016-20 to be read for the second time by title only. *An Ordinance for Appropriations and Tax Rate*. Weber made a motion for approval of Ordinance 2016-20 as read, seconded by Shultz, carried 4 Ayes, 0 Nays.

No objecting opinions were filed regarding the proposed budget. The adopted budget will be submitted to the Department of Local Government Finance (DLGF) through the state's "Gateway" website, and will be available for review by the public online.

5. Consideration of Camtor Contract for 2017 Fireworks Display

Council voted to approve a contract with Camtor for the 2017 Fireworks Display in the amount of \$7,000. Motion made by Weber, seconded by Jellison, carried 4 Ayes, 0 Nays. Next year's show is scheduled for Monday, July 3, 2017.

DEPARTMENT HEADS:

Casey Myers, Parks Dept – Council members congratulated park superintendent Casey Myers for receiving the Indiana Association of Cities and Towns' Larry A. Conrad Civic Award. Meyers, along with parks department employee's and park board members, recently accepted the award at the Annual IACT Conference in French Lick, IN. Myers provided an overview of the parks' Master Plan. Survey results showed the most popular request was for more walking trails. A mile of grass trail will be added to Hidden Diamonds Park in late fall/early spring. The sidewalk project at Hidden Diamonds is underway, and work on the Hoosier Basketball court project is scheduled to begin soon. Tate Allen will be installing tree identification markers along the walking trail at Hidden Diamonds for his Eagle Scout Project. The Splash Pad used 1,446,000 gallons of water this season at a cost of \$4,318.75. Work on the shop office at Valley View Park is nearing completion. John Hoover donated his services for installing wiring to the office. Myers also thanked Chief deputy/investigator Scott Cole for providing IT services.

Tom Lock, Police Dept – Council acknowledged receipt of the police department's monthly report. Albion officers are working to complete yearly mandated Indiana Law Enforcement Training. Overtime is up due to shift coverage for vacations. Trick or Treat is scheduled for October 31, 2016 from 5:00 pm– 7:00 pm. The Chamber of Commerce will be sponsoring a Halloween Party at the fire station from 7:00 pm – 8:30 pm following Trick or Treat.

Stefen Wynn, Town Manager – Wynn provided a summary of his monthly report. Nathan Pulver, Pulver Asphalt Paving, Inc was present to explain additional work needed for completion of the sidewalk project along Hidden Diamonds Drive. Original bid specifications were based on a surveyor's conceptual drawing. As the project progressed it was discovered changes were needed to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act, and to aid in drainage. Additional needs include extending a retaining wall from 88 feet long to 150 feet long, increasing drain pipe size from 6" to 10" and installing catch basins. Pulver is donating much of the cost for the additional work, but is requesting a change order for a portion of the cost. Council members expressed appreciation for Pulver's donation, and once drafted, will consider the change order at a future meeting.

APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE & PAYROLL VOUCHERS: After discussion, Weber motioned to approve Accounts Payable and Payroll Vouchers as of September 29, & October 11, 2016. Seconded by Jellison, carried 4 Ayes, 0 Nays.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to be brought before the council in regular session, Morr asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:01 pm, so moved by Weber, seconded by Shultz, carried 4 Ayes, 0 Nays. The next regularly scheduled meeting is to be held on October 25, 2016 at the Albion Municipal Building, 211 East Park Drive, Albion, IN.

JOHN D. MORR, PRESIDENT

MAX C. WEBER, VICE-PRESIDENT

VICKI E. JELLISON, MEMBER

CHRISTINA K. MAGNUSON, MEMBER

DONALD J. SHULTZ, MEMBER

ATTEST: _____
CAROL A. SELBY, CLERK-TREASURER