Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Edgewood Town Council Town of Edgewood, Madison County, Indiana 8-20-2018

The Meeting of the Edgewood Town Council was held August 20, 2018 at 5:00 p.m. at the Edgewood Town Hall, 3405 Nichol Avenue, Anderson, Indiana 46011. The following persons were present:

Patty Farran, Member Julie Armington, Member Dale Vanderbur, EFD Mike Austin, Town Atty. Mike Walsh, Guest Dottie Smith, Guest Branden Gaunt, Guest Paul Hensley, Guest

Joseph Cook, Member Jodi Norrick, Member Marshal Ellingwood, EPD Steve Servies, Town Eng. Judith Loose, Guest Carlene Gunter, Guest Clayton Gaunt, Guest Jill Hudson, Guest

John Gunter, Member Arthur Leak, Guest Don Allen, Guest Keith Olson, Guest Stan Wilson, Guest Jon Frazier, Guest Brianna Pluhar, Guest Tammy Sorg, Guest Roger Riddle, Guest

Laura Alwood, Herald-Bulletin Thomas Brewer, Edgewood WO Katherine Tanner, Clerk-Treasurer

Ms. Farran called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Roll call was initiated after the pledge of allegiance. All members were present.

Residents Property

Don Allen, Resident Advocate for Kay Thompson, stated that he had been working with various individuals to help bring her property into compliance with the Town of Edgewood Code of Ordinances. Discussion followed. The council thanked Mr. Allen for his work and assistance with the property on Colony and assisting the resident in various matters.

Police Department Report

Marshal Ellingwood reported that there were 202 incident/case reports in the month of July. There were 46 arrests/citations broken down as follows: Marshal Ellingwood 2; Captain Briggs 15; Officer Smith 26; Officer Aukerman 2; and Officer Lehman 1. The reserve officers, Officer Robertson worked 30 hours and Officer Lehman worked 16 hours; Part-time Officers worked 0 hours. Re-inspections for Ordinance Violations had been noted. There were eight letters sent to homes in Old Edgewood, most of the letters were sent to residents who reside on Colony Road.

Fire Department

Chief Vanderbur, Edgewood Fire Department on the fire and EMS runs during the month of August. Chief Vanderbur reported that four non-residents have not paid their medical bills to the Edgewood Voluntary Fire Department. Mr. Austin will update the council at the next regular schedule meeting in September. The Chief reported on the Hazardous Waste Training the volunteers had completed. The new Gear Washer has been installed and the Gear Dryer will be installed later this year. On October 1, 2018 there will be an Active Shooter Training Session at Bloomers in the Town of Edgewood. Mr. Leak asked about the Active Shooter Training and about "After the Fact" training. Discussion followed.

Water Operator's Report

Mr. Thomas Brewer, Edgewood Water Operator reported on the various activity at the water plant. Mr. Brewer reported that Nugent Electric had reimbursed the town for faulty installation

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of the pump for the lift station. Discussion followed. The slide at Redwood Park had been repaired. Discussion followed.

Member Reports

Mr. Cook did not have a report.

Mrs. Armington reported that the Edgewood Pool would be open through Labor Day now from 4 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. and during the day over the weekends.

Mr. Gunter thanked the Town Marshal for managing his department and for all the hard work he has been doing.

Ms. Farran did not have a report.

Mr. Leak did not have a report.

Mrs. Norrick reported that the Speed Bump had been installed on Golf Club Road. Discussion followed.

Town Attorney Report

Mr. Austin informed the council the he had prepared an Audit Letter to SBOA stating that the town was not involved in any lawsuit. Mr. Austin will be setting a Probable Cause meeting with the Judge from Pendleton and he would be working on a Drainage Fee Ordinance. Discussion followed.

Town Engineer's Report

Mr. Servies updated the council on the various engineering projects. Discussion followed.

Clerk-Treasurer's Report

Ms. Tanner reported on the court activity for the year. The court has had a loss of around \$22,000 year to date through July 31, 2018. Discussion followed. Ms. Tanner requested that th council revise the current Smoking Ordinance, Chapter 96. She asked the council add no chewing tobacco and no vaping on all Town of Edgewood Property and Town of Edgewood Vehicles. Discussion followed.

Old Business

There was no old business to come before the council.

New Business

Ms. Farran informed the council that a Drainage Utility Fee needed to be implemented to assist with the Storm Water problem in the Town of Edgewood. Discussion Followed. The council requested that a Drainage Fund be established in order to create a Drainage Fee. The council stated that \$2.00 per home per month would be a good start to help with drainage issues. Discussion followed.

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Comments & Questions

Mr. Paul Hensley, 3401 Nichol Avenue, American Barbering Owner, stated that since the court was losing money maybe the council should vote to close the court.

Tammy Sorg, 4709 Hickory Drive, Daughter of Paul Hensley, sister of the owner of the car that was parked in Mr. Hensley's parking lot that caught fire, stated that she felt the town should do something regarding the burnt car. It was noted that the car was not currently insured nor was its plate current.

Mr. Keith Olson, 3503 Beechwood Lane, asked about the status of the "Trailer" parked in driveways. Discussion followed.

Mrs. Carlene Gunter, 45 Willow Road, asked about the Ordinance regarding the Camper/RV Ordinance. Discussion followed.

Mr. Roger Riddle, Tulip Street, recommended that the Community gather together and raise money to help with the burnt car issue. Discussion followed.

Mr. Mike Walsh, 3510 Beechwood Lane, stated that the court was losing money the council should vote to close the court.

Ms. Jill Hudson, 3542 Westfield Drive, asked that three new swings be place in Redwood Park. Mr. Thomas Brewer, Edgewood Utility Superintendent, informed the council and guests that the three swings had been ordered and would be installed as soon as they arrive.

Mr. Roger Riddle, Tulip Street, stated that the Town of Edgewood had the friendliest people he has ever ran across. Mr. Riddle asked the council to help rectify Paul Hensley's problem. Discussion followed.

Ms. Jill Hudson, 3542 Westfield Drive, stated that the court should consider splitting court sessions from one into two or three sessions to help with traffic and parking. Discussion followed.

Approval of the Minutes from the July 16, 2018 Council Meeting

Mr. Leak made a motion to approve the Minutes of the July 16, 2018 Town Council Meeting. Mrs. Norrick seconded the motion. All members voting aye, motion carried.

Register of Claims

Mr. Leak made a motion to approve the July 2018 Register of Claims. Mrs. Norrick seconded the motion. All members voting aye, motion carried.

With no further business, upon a motion made by Mr. Gunter and seconded by Mr. Leak with all members voting aye, the Council was adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Patricia A. Farran, President

Joseph A. Cook, Member

Arthur J. Leak, Member

ATTEST: Katherine Tanner, Clerk-Treasurer

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Julie H. Armington, Member

John W. Gunter, Member

Jodi/L. Norrick, Member