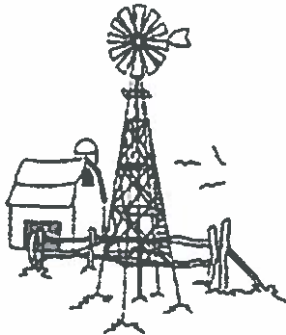


Millersburg Town Council Meeting

May 13, 2020

The regular monthly meeting of the Millersburg Town Council held on Wednesday, May 13, 2020 at 5:00 PM at the Millersburg Town Hall.



In Attendance were:		
James Winkler	Council Member	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Dean Smith	Council Member	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Austin Turner	Council Member	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Alan Mackowiak	Marshal	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
MacKenzie Taylor	Clerk/Treasurer	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Ben Eldridge	Utility Superintendent	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Matt King	Maintenance Director	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Tonya Jayburg	Park Board President	<input type="checkbox"/>

Convene: 5:00 PM – Jim Winkler called the meeting to order.

A motion was made by Jim Winkler to approve the minutes for Wednesday, April 22, 2020. The motion was seconded by Dean Smith and upon a voice vote was approved unanimously.

I. Water Superintendent

- Austin Turner asked Ben if the Scata System is complete. Ben replied that it is up and running, but not complete yet.
- The area where the yard hydrant was stolen does not show any signs of leaking.

II. Waste Water Superintendent

- Improvements are being made at WasteWater to fix the lift station, the overhead water line, and replace the water heater that was corroded and rotten. Final Phase Electric will be taking care of these repairs. Final Phase Electric should be done with these improvements by Thursday, May 28th, 2020.

III. Community Development

- No Community Development Related Items.

IV. Maintenance Director

- The Street Department has been busy weed eating and mowing the Town's properties.
- The COVID-19 pandemic has slowed the process of repaving the designated streets in Town.
- Jim Winkler mentioned the idea of drafting a letter to Forest River/Mike Stump. The letter will entail concerns regarding Elm Street. Their Forest River Trucks, haulers, and drivers need to use the alley way they promised to use 6 years ago. This is in fears of damaging the new paven road and also trucks damaging resident's yards.

V. Marshal

- The Police Department was able to locate a relative of Peta Berring. Her relative is said to be in Hopkins, Kentucky. The Town Attorney for Millersburg recommended we try to contact the resident in Kentucky. Therefore, the Town of Millersburg will send a letter to the Kentucky resident.. Her home still sits vacant on Oak Street.
- Ordinance 2020-03 was agreed upon by the Council and Sonshine Daycare teacher, Elizabeth. The ordinance states to change the angle parking to parallel parking.
- Ordinance 2020-04 was discussed by the Council. This is a new noise ordinance for the Town of Millersburg.
- Amending an ordinance needs to be published in the newspaper, after 30 days and a public hearing the ordinance can officially be adopted.
- There was a prosecutors meeting today, Wednesday May 13th, 2020 sending out dates of when Police Departments will begin to open up. On May 18th, Detectives and more personnel will be brought back into the building. Goshen PD will be by appointment only. Elkhart has 26 guys that are quarantined. Everyone on the Elkhart PD has to wear a mask. If someone on the Police force

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gets tested, they have to go on leave until test results come back. Bristol PD is testing every officer that goes on duty.

- The two Miller properties on North Benton Street are looking disasterious again. Due to receiving numerous warnings, Doug Miller's property will get cleaned up professionally. Joni Miller will be given a citation.
- The Lanpher's dog on Jefferson Street is raising concerns. The dog has aggressive tendencies and has bitten 3 people already. The dog has an underground fence but still goes out close to the road. Dean Smith has given the Lanpher's a warning about keeping fenced in better. If the dog comes out to the Street again, the Lanphers will receive a citation.
- The grass ordinance needs to be raised from \$50.00 to \$100.00. If a resident is a habitual offender, then they will be fined \$150.00.

VI. Park

- Fairfield Little League has officially been cancelled for the year. Robert Graber who resides in the Town was seeking permission to allow his Travel Ball team players and coaches to practice on the Millersburg diamonds. The Travel Baseball coach is a separate entity from Fairfield Little League. The Travel Team will follow the strict Executive Orders given to them by the Governor. It was unanimously agreed upon to allow the Travel Team to practice on the diamonds, free of charge. The Travel Team will need to pay for the games. As COVID-19 guidelines continue to change from day to day, we are adjusting and having open discussions about how to handle park situations. The volleyball courts have been getting redone. New sand and poles have been set in place. Bases for the basketball poles have been put in as Ben works with Brian. The poles have been paid for by the Township and Lion's Club. Ben sought approval to purchase three new trashcans for the park. The cost for one trash can is \$696.55, for all three the total cost is \$2,089.65. Jim made a motion to approve the trash can expenses and Dean seconded the motion.

VII. Clerk/Treasurer

- The books have been balanced with Char for the months of March and April.
- The Town would like to amend the policy handbook to allow the employees to conceal carry. It was recommended to have Craig Buche change this for us.

VIII Old Business

- Rick has the agreements for R Yoder to construct the Town Hall and Police Station. Last week, R Yoder mailed their bonds and insurance forms to the Indianapolis Office. Triad is still waiting to receive those. It was recommended by Rick to sign the contract so we can move forward once Triad receives the bonds and insurance.
- There was only one bid for the demolition of the building from R Yoder. The cost was estimated at \$41,580.00. Rick advised us to reject the bid and shorten the spec book to only 3-4 pages in hopes to find a more suitable quote. This will not need to be bid out again.
- Questions were raised as how we should handle traffic control when the building is being demolished. It was agreed upon to close off the street.
- Community Crossing will be done within two weeks and bids can start going out for that project. Standing authorization was received to start publication on that.

IX. New Business

Paul Hochstetler from Freedom Builders came to propose about rezoning the address of 318 N. Benton Street, Millersburg, IN. He would like to rezone from a R-1 to a B-2. After this is rezoned from residential to commercial, Dustin would like to make the building a tax and accounting office. Dustin and Paul already have a verbal agreement with Paul Webb, the property owner. Through receiving Council approval to rezone, Paul and Dustin can move forward. Jason from Elkhart County would like a letter stating the approval.

Jim Winkler made a motion to pay bills. The motion was seconded by Dean Smith and upon a voice vote was approved unanimously.

Jim Winkler made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Dean Smith and upon a voice vote was approved unanimously.

Adjourn: 6:00