

**Town of Georgetown
Regular Meeting
September 16, 2019
6:30 P.M.**

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call:

Council members present: Everett Pullen, Chris Loop, Kathy Haller and Billy Haller. Also attending: Kristi Fox, Bob Woosley, Julia Keibler, Jessica Alexander, Diane Lilly and Officer Jordan Jackson.

Approval of Minutes

Chris Loop made a motion to approve the Budget Workshop Meeting Minutes on August 19, 2019. Seconded by Everett Pullen and approved 4-0.

Chris Loop made a motion to approve the Regular Town Council Meeting Minutes on August 19, 2019. Seconded by Kathy Haller and approved 4-0.

Statement By Kristi Fox

As you are aware the Police Chief, Dennis Kunkel, and Sergeant, Charles Morgan, were placed on paid administrative leave pending an investigation of alleged misconduct. The Indiana State Police Special Investigation Section, out of Indianapolis, was requested to handle the investigation into the allegations. At this time, they confirmed that the request was approved. The Town Council is not handling the investigation. Kathy Haller is the point person to assist the board with cooperating and communicating information or documents associated with this matter and in no way is she the investigator related to these allegations. The Town Council, as well as the Clerk's office, will cooperate with the Indiana State Police, as well as any other agencies, to provide any and all documents or information that are requested.

As you might understand, the Board is not at liberty to discuss or disclose any additional information at this time. The Town Council will not be answering questions or providing any further comments until the investigation is complete. Any further questions can be directed to the Indiana State Police, Special Investigation Section.

The Town Council has a duty and responsibility to conduct an investigation respecting any employees alleged misconduct. The Council would ask that you respect the process and not engage in threats or rumors.

To address rumors, the Town Council has no plans to close the Georgetown Police Department or have the Sheriff take over. With that said, the Sheriff's department is responsible for the County as a whole, which includes the Town. As always, they will assist the Town and be present in the Town for your protection.

Josh Cavanaugh arrived 6:35.

Clerk Treasurers Report

Tammy Anderson started today. We are very excited to have her join our team.

The adoption meeting for the budget will be at the next regular Town Council meeting on October 21, 2019. We are ahead of schedule on the time line for the adoption.

Town Engineer

Community Crossing Match Grant has not released the awards yet. We have applied for \$150,418.66 in funds to be used for roadway improvements. If we receive these funds, they will have to be used for the projects that were submitted. It is a 75, 25 plan. The state will pay 75% of the project and the town would be responsible for 25%.

Waste Water Treatment Plant project is wrapping up. It may even be finished up this week.

The older tanks with the broken diffusers have been emptied. They have now been fixed. The final punch list is being worked on and hopefully will be completed by the end of the month. The new blowers have been repaired, are working as they should and the warranty is in place for an additional year. Bob Woosley is going to get this in writing.

Pay Application #17 is not the last one. There may be one or two more. The Pay Application is for \$42,991.30 with retainage of \$160,414.30. Bob Woosley recommends that Everett Pullen be allowed to sign and that Pay App #17 be paid.

Chris Loop made a motion to approve Pay Application #17 for \$42,991.30. Seconded by Josh Cavanaugh and approved 5-0.

With the new plant we will be able to accept septage. All of the septic tanks that we clean out in town were previously taken someplace else and we can now do that in house. We have been running tests and have learned that we can accept double the volume if we change out the valve on two of the tanks. SRF likes the idea we are now working with the contractor since this is outside of the original scope.

The asphalt paving has not been completed yet.

An official ribbon cutting should be scheduled and everyone should be looking at their calendars. Maybe sometime in October.

Mainstreet Sidewalk Project will have a meeting here on site on Thursday. It will be across the street and we will talk about getting started, the schedule and get our due diligence in order. The bonds will be turned in as well. They plan on starting soon.

9060 Walnut Street Drainage Project has already started. Bob Woosley met with the contractor last week. All of the bonding has been received and they are going to go ahead and get started.

Lakeland Lagoon is working with us. It currently has a high volume of infiltration. We recently had the system televised. We found out that it is old clay pipe that is cracked, broken, etc. with repairs made on occasion along the way. We need to work up a draft of an agreement with Lakeland Lagoon. If we redo the entire system it would cost over \$330,000.00. It has been discussed that we would somehow recapture the investment made by the town. A reasonable solution needs to be found. They are an all-volunteer neighborhood board. The surcharge would only affect the residents in Lakeland Lagoon.

BZA meeting was held and they approved a sign permit. It was Celebration Church putting their sign back.

Bob Woosley meet with Steve Tolliver, Jamie Schillmiller and Everett Pullen concerning the sewer plant in general. They are trying to come up with a protocol with how we receive septage, when we receive it and our grease inspection program (which needs a review). A final plan has not been established. The grease inspection program is for commercial customers only, not residential.

Stormwater has several projects and we are close to getting quotes on these projects. Bob Woosley did meet with the County surveyor about the Estate Dr project. There will be a survey done in Copperfield as well. The County is involved because there is drainage coming from the county into the town.

Plan Commission

Nothing to report.

Storm Water Board

Nothing to report.

Old Town Hall Committee

The lease agreement is being worked on.

Redevelopment Committee

Nothing to report.

Ball Park Committee

A new vision is needed for the entire project. Chris Loop presented an early schematic of what it would look like. We would relocate parking, have a new amphitheater, additional greenspace with a walking trail around the entire park, 3 points where the park would be connected to St. Rd. 64, among other changes. This is not a final plan but is in the idea stage.

We do need a revamped playground area and for it to be relocated away from the ballpark area. The new plan does include a water park/splash area. A closer look would be needed into maintenance and running costs. This would probably be a multi-year project with cost estimates. Chris Loop would like to look into grant funding as well.

Agenda Items

Public Hearing for 2020 Budget

Opening up of the Public Hearing portion of the meeting for the 2020 Budget.

Closing of the Public Hearing portion of the meeting for the 2020 Budget.

Speed Bumps in Rainelle Woods

Diane Schladand represented the HOA for Rainelle Woods. There is a problem in that there are many small children in the neighborhood and the HOA would like for two speed bumps to be installed. Speed bumps would not work at the stop sign. Bob Woosley has talked with Jamie Schillmiller about two speed Humps. Humps are much easier to maneuver around with snow plows. Running the stops signs are the problem because it is on a hill. There was a bid presented of \$3,220.00 from Libs Paving. Others in the neighborhood do not seem as interested in the speed bumps especially in snowy conditions. Chris Loop would like to make a decision later after investigating further.

Chris Loop made a motion to table speed bumps in Rainelle Woods. Seconded by Kathy Haller and approved 5-0.

Leak Request for Sharon Logsdon

She had an unground water leak that lasted for two months. She had an adjustment for one month and is requesting an adjustment for the other month where there was a leak.

Josh Cavanaugh made a motion to apply a credit for the July sewer bill of a six-month average. Seconded by Chris Loop and approved 5-0.

8003 Circle Dr – Water Diversion Quote

The owner of property states that water shoots across the road and goes into her house and garage. Bob Woosley would like to put in a curb to redirect the water into the catch basin. The low quote is for \$900.00 from LIBS Paving.

Chris Loop made a motion to approve the quote from LIBS Paving. Seconded by Billy Haller and approved 5-0. To be paid out of Stormwater.

Pressure Washer Quote

Everett Pullen presented quotes for a pressure washer for the shop. It is commercial grade and would be used at the park, in parking lots and all over town. The quote is for \$5,475.00

Chris Loop made a motion to approve the quote for the Magnum Series pressure washer for a total of \$5,475.00 to be paid out of Gaming. Seconded by Kathy Haller and approved 5-0.

Enforcing No Parking at Old Town Hall Parking Lot

People have moved the concrete strips in the parking lot across the street (Old Bank Building) and so because of this we have decided to enforce the "No Parking". There needs to be a discussion about the issue. Billy Haller would like some kind of parking for the people who live close and do not have any parking available at their homes. Possibly a permit of some kind or special policy to keep people in compliance. The lot should be available anytime there is a public meeting. Chris Loop feels that it is currently being abused.

Chris Loop made a motion to table the Parking Lot discussion until the next meeting. Seconded by Billy Haller and approved 5-0.

Road Repair Quote for the Waste Water Treatment Plant

Coming into the treatment plant there is some pavement failure. Jamie Schillmiller was to secure quotes and Bob Woosley has asked that it be contingent upon getting the contractor to make most of the repairs to the road. If the contractor can show that it was a previous condition, then they will not be responsible.

Josh Cavanaugh made a motion to approve LIBS Paving for \$2,100.00 for pavement repairs at the Waste Water Treatment Plant in the event that the contractor is not responsible. Seconded by Everett Pullen and approved 5-0. This is to be paid from Waster Water Operating, should it not be covered under the contractor.

Catalpa Ridge Lift Station MS4 Quote

The lift station is in a low spot, which is less than desirable. Because of this, if there is a heavier storm event the water will go pop the curb and inundate and go over the top of the station. This would allow an asphalt curb on our access driveway, not on private property to redirect the water. We do have stone on our side right now and this would be an improvement.

Josh Cavanaugh made a motion to approve Rush Paving to make the repairs needed at the Catalpa Ridge Lift Station for \$800.00 to be paid out of MS4. Seconded by Kathy Haller and approved 5-0.


Claims Docket

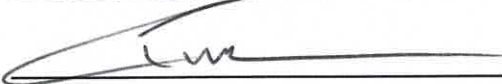
Chris Loop made a motion to approve the claims docket. Seconded by Josh Cavanaugh and approved 5-0.

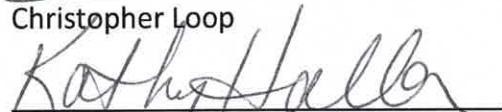
Adjournment


Josh Cavanaugh made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Kathy Haller and approved 5-0.


Minutes approved by:


Everett Pullen, President


Christopher Loop


Kathy Haller


Billy Haller

Attest:

Julia Keibler, Clerk Treasurer