Town of Georgetown Regular Meeting September 28, 2020 6:30 P.M.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call:

Council members present: Chris Loop, Gary Smith, Kathy Haller, Billy Haller and Ben Stocksdale. Also attending: Kristi Fox, Bob Woosley, Julia Keibler, Jessica Alexander, Diane Lilly and Sergeant Travis Speece.

Approval of Minutes

Chris Loop made a motion to approve the Special Meeting Minutes on July 28, 2020. Seconded by Kathy Haller and approved 5-0.

Ben Stocksdale made a motion to approve the Special Town Council Meeting Minutes on August 12, 2020. Seconded by Chris Loop and approved 5-0.

Billy Haller made a motion to approve the Regular Town Council Meeting Minutes on August 17, 2020. Seconded by Chris Loop and approved 4-0. Gary Smith abstained.

Agenda Items

Bid Opening Basketball Courts Coating/Striping/Stenciling Project

Leslie Coatings \$15,000.00 Tennis Technology Inc. \$33,724.00

Bob Woosley recommends the award to Leslie Coating assuming all paperwork has been submitted as required and contingent upon the overall project being awarded.

Chris Loop made a motion to award Leslie Coating assuming all paperwork has been submitted as required and contingent upon the overall project being awarded. Seconded by Ben Stocksdale and approved 5-0.

Bid Opening Catalpa Ridge Front Detention Basin Project

This basin is not under a bond and this project is to maximize the water going into that basin so we can better utilize the basin. It is taking water flow from Frank Ott Road through that basin. This will help some property owners in Copperfield that have gotten water in their basement.

Lamb's Lawn Service \$42,638.00 EZ Construction \$49,975.00 C&R Construction \$62,100.00 Cornell Harbison \$49,015.00 Temple & Temple \$17,468.00 Merrill Bierman Excavating \$48,470.00

Bob Woosley would recommend approval to Temple & Temple for \$17,468.00 contingent upon review of documents in place and confirmation from them that they did not overlook anything in the bid and they will hold their quote.

Kathy Haller made a motion to award Temple & Temple for \$17,468.00 contingent upon Bob Woosley's review. Seconded by Ben Stocksdale and approved 5-0.

2021 Budget Public Hearing

Julia Keibler opened the 2021 Budget Public Hearing portion of the meeting.

We had to set up a home-ruled fund for the Redevelopment Commission for the TIF money. It is a budget that has to be established but it is not something the DLGF looks at. At some point the Commission needs to estimate their own budget and then submit it to the Town Council for their approval. Then the Council will give it back to Julia Keibler for submission to Gateway. Julia Keibler did place \$50,000.00 in the budget for the grant money needed for the next year.

No public comments.

Julia Keibler officially closed the 2021 Budget Public Hearing portion of the meeting.

Campground – Brent Schroeder

Brent Schroeder has 40 acres located at 8389 State Road 64. Seven acres are located within the Town and 30+ are located in the County with the creek running through it. There are several existing buildings. One is a 4,800 square foot room attached to the building and we would take the sides and turn it into an open pavilion. Brent Schroeder has already contacted the Fire Marshall to see what would need done. We would have to add bathrooms and shower houses. We are looking at 100+ camper/RV sites with water and electric on the south side of the creek. On the Town side there would be 25 tent sites. About 50 primitive sites with no water or electric would be on the other side of the creek and is located on the County side.

Brent Schroeder thinks this would benefit the Town. The Town could see more business if the people had a place to stay in Town. Brent Schroeder has seen people camping at the ballpark with their trailers. We have a lot of out of towners coming to the Drive-In. He would like to attach walkways to the park at the south side of the tracks so people do not have to cross the tracks. We are going to put hiking trails that would be made available to any citizens in the area for a small annual maintenance fee. Possibly connect sidewalks and trials to the Town property.

Chris Loop appreciated Brent Schroeder coming. The biggest thing we will need to look at is the current zoning on the Town section. Depending on what it is zoned, the Town will have to look at the planning and zoning document and see if it supports that use. If it does not then Brent Schroeder could petition to change the zoning to what works or petition for the use case he wants.

This will not be a long-term campground. You can rent for the summer but you have to move the camper to another site. It is not for living.

Brent Schroeder has already talked to the State about the floodplain. The State said as long as you are not building any buildings and it does not affect the flow of the water, you could build a pavilion in the floodplain. The only area in the floodplain is along the creek but they are not going to build anything in that area.

Chris Loop asked if the camper sites will have sewer hook ups. Brent Schroeder said that is an option. A drop station to pump it out may be installed or they can take their sewage with them. The Town would need to see a plan to connect to the sewer if that's what they decided to do.

There is a problem with the drainage ditch at the end of Canal Ln. A pipe will need to be installed under the road to repair that drainage problem. INDOT will need to be contacted. Brent thought about setting up crossings at the tracks. Mr. Schroeder will speak with the Railroad to see if they have any issues with this.

Jessica Alexander said that property is currently zoned R-2. The parcels in front of this parcel are zoned commercial and are actually located on State Road 64. The Town will look into the best zoning case for the campground use and will advise Brent Schroeder of the best way to proceed.

New Street Light - Chyloe Vest

Chyloe Vest lives at 9080 State Road 64 and her backyard is very dark. People are walking down the alley at night and there have been break-ins. Strangers walk through our yards. Kids are always playing in the alley. We would like to add a street light. There is a utility pole in the alley behind 9080 State Road 64 and 9070 State Road 64 that is marked with a flag but it does not

have a light on it. Mary Collins is name of the alley and is the main access for this section of houses located on State Road 64.

Chris Loop is taking this under advisement and the Clerk's office will bring this back to the next meeting. Chris Loop directed the Clerk's office to determine a price for install and the monthly fee and to also ask Duke how much it will cost to switch all existing lights to LED.

NSF Fee - Sau Hou Chang

Sau Hou Chang is requesting a waiver of her NSF fee. She has been in Town for 11 years and has never missed a water bill payment. The September auto pay did not go through because her account was frozen due to a security breach. When Ms. Chang realized this happened, she went to Town Hall and paid the water bill before the deadline. Ms. Chang is asking the Council to consider this request because of her previous payment records and the security breach she had no control of. Julia Keibler stated the bank charges us \$35.00 when a payment is returned and we pass that on to the customer.

Ben Stockdale made a motion to approve waiving the NSF fee that was assessed to Sau Hou Chang's utility account. Seconded by Billy Haller and approved 5-0.

Watering Credit - Brian Benfield

Brian Benfield extended his drain pipe under his driveway and in doing that he had to reseed that grass. While watering his grass, he has received two high sewer bills. He was not aware of the bibb meter program until he received an additional high sewer bill. He did already receive one credit but not a credit for both months of watering.

Jessica Alexander said the first high bill was \$359.46 and we credited off about \$254.00 and the other bill was \$216.75.

Chris Loop made a motion to adjust Mr. Benfield's August 13, 2020 statement to a six-month average on his sewer utility bill. Seconded by Billy Haller and approved 5-0.

Clerk Treasurers Report

Larry Stone with Ecotech came into the office this last week and mentioned that our contract with them is up at the end of this year. Ecotech would like to renew this contract. They would like to give everyone in town a big trash can and a recycling bin as an added bonus. We will check with Larry and see if it is possible for him to attend the next Town Council meeting. Kristi Fox stated that if they have a proposed contract to send it to her.

Chris Loop would like to add a Town calendar to the website. Billy Haller requested that the trash holidays be placed on the website too. Ben Stocksdale said most people do not know that we have a website. He suggested renting the billboard across from Copperfield for one month to advertise it.

Julia Keibler stated we provided early voting information and where those will be held. We also supplied an updated meeting schedule due to the recent changes made to meeting days.

The Clerk's office has training the whole month of October. We have State Board of Accounts, AIM and software training. These will all be held virtually.

American Legal Publishing sent us a quote to update our Code of Ordinances. The supplement would cost between \$900.00 and \$1,200.00 and there is an additional charge for updating the website and that is \$1.95 per page with a minimum of \$200.00.

Billy Haller stated there is still a lot of old outdated ordinances in the new code of ordinance book we received. Kristi Fox stated we pulled a lot of old ordinances out when we updated the code of ordinances last time. Kristi Fox asked Billy Haller to go through and mark the ones he wants removed or updated.

The total estimated cost is \$2,500.00. Chris Loop asked if we could go back to them and ask if they'd take \$1,200.00 for all of the changes. Julia Keibler said she will check with them. If we are going to be reducing ordinances we should wait. The decision was made to hold off for now.

AIMCO/Aspire Industries is the company that repairs the pumps for our lift stations for the sewer system. They sent us two very late invoices. The first one is from December of 2019 for a total of \$3,790.00 and a second one from March 5, 2020 for \$2,648.00. We did not have record of ever receiving these invoices. Jamie Schilmiller did sign off on these invoices but we did not receive them until the beginning of September. We told AIMCO we were going to get special Council approval because the one was almost a year old. Diane Lilly said their timing of invoices is sporadic. Diane Lilly did complete an audit of all invoices. She discovered several double billings and spoke with the owner and Jamie Schilmiller to determine a new system to make sure we are being billed correctly.

Chris Loop made a motion to approve the two invoices for pump rebuilds from AIMCO/Aspire Industries to be paid from Wastewater Capital Improvement fund. Seconded by Ben Stocksdale and approved 5-0.

Billy Haller asked if Town Hall has the voter registration forms. They are available to anyone who requests one.

The final payment is due to Joel Kintner for the handling of the ballpark. There is confusion on who is supposed to supply the supplies for the restrooms. In the contract, it states Joel Kintner

is responsible for taking care of those supplies. Tim Cooper has been purchasing those supplies and the Town has bought almost \$600.00 worth this year. Joel told Tim that if he was supplying the supplies, the restrooms would only be open when Joel is there. Joel does not want to be responsible for supplying them for the park all the time. Tim Cooper was under the impression the Council wanted the restrooms open all the time, so he just bought them. The Utility Department has also been servicing the restrooms.

Chris Loop stated he is not sure the intent was for Joel Kintner to supply them for the entire time the park is open. Joel Kintner needs to cover the days during tournaments and game nights but the Town will supply the rest. We will make an addendum to the contract for the balance of the contract.

Chris Loop made a motion for the Town to pay for the supplies and pay Joel Kintner the total amount owed to him and not take the supplies out of his payment. Seconded by Ben Stocksdale and approved 5-0.

Sergeant Travis Speece

The new Explorer is ready. It is in Bloomington and is ready to go to Indianapolis to have the lights installed. Hopefully in the next couple weeks we will have it out.

The reserves went through firearms training today and that is done for the year.

There are nine applicants for the patrolman position. This Saturday will be the physical agility test and then we will start the interview process.

Travis received a quote to reseal the parking lot at the police station. The total was \$1,783.00 to repair (seal, cracks, edging). Chris Loop asked Bob Woosley if we could include it in the paving project. Bob Woosley said we could but it would not be eligible for the Community Crossings Grant. We could have it as a separate line item on the bids and we can always choose not to accept it.

Town Attorney

The IURC hearing for Lakeland is set for Thursday and it will be held remotely. The witnesses do not have to appear because all the attorneys agreed to waive cross examination. We will get on the call with the court and submit all the evidence. Then we will submit the order after the proposed order and then the judge will rule on it.

Travis Speece served the letter to 8795 State Road 64. We are now past the window of time. The grass has been mowed but there are still pallets, slides, sliding boards and junk in the yard. We will continue to monitor this property.

Chris Loop asked Billy Haller to summarize the list he has of rubbish wording and to send that to Kristi Fox so the rubbish ordinance can be updated.

The Interlocal Agreement on roads with the County did get approved last month. The County has the original to record it.

Town Engineer

Temple and Temple was the low bidder for the basketball court improvements bid opening from the last meeting. Bob Woosley reviewed all the paperwork submitted and everything was in order. We deferred awarding that project until the Council had a chance to look at where the money to pay for this project would come from. Bob Woosley recommends the award be given to the low bidder, Temple and Temple, for the total project price of \$149,200.00. Bob estimates the total project cost will be \$180,000.00. Chris Loop and Ben Stocksdale discussed this a few weeks ago and they were looking at using Fund 480 Waterworks Proceeds. The balance is currently \$236,792.00.

Chris Loop made a motion to approve the low bid from Temple and Temple for the basketball court improvements and for that project to be paid from Fund 480 Waterworks Proceeds. Seconded by Billy Haller and approved 5-0.

Billy Haller made a motion to stencil the two basketball courts with Joe Hinton and Missy Taylor continent upon their approval. Seconded by Gary Smith and approved 5-0.

The basketball goals were quoted through Steepleton, Watson's and Backyard Staycation. The only one to return a quote was Steepleton with a quote of \$12,584.00. This includes four goals, the backboards and installation. These are the exact same goals that they have at Hammersmith Park. Bob Woosley recommends the award to Steepleton for \$12,584.00.

Ben Stocksdale made a motion to award the basketball goals to Steepleton for the price of \$12,584.00 and for that to be paid from Fund 480 Waterwork Proceeds. Seconded by Gary Smith and approved 5-0.

Estate Circle drainage improvements project is moving right along. We hit a small snag with the property owner to the north. Mr. Bramer would like for the town to address some concerns he has with the site restoration on his property. We are going to have to modify some of the grading. Ted Smith has requested his yard be replaced with Kentucky bluegrass sod. This property has been seeded with Kentucky bluegrass and we think that is sufficient. If for some reason in the spring it has not taken as we expect, we can always look into sod.

Mainstreet Sidewalk Project – We are still working with Mr. Martin at 8924 State Road 64 with his basement floor drain. We initially thought Jamie Schilmiller and the Town Crew could do some of the digging and exploration on that to figure out what is going on but the Town Crew is not comfortable doing it. We are getting some quotes from plumbers to take a look at this.

Catalpa Ridge Rear Detention Basin – This goes back to when Ron Payne started the subdivision and then walked away. When Witten Builders took over the subdivision. The basin was not Witten's responsibility. The basin just holds a nuisance amount of water and it was not made to hold water. Fulkerson Contracting is looking to start in the middle of October.

Upcoming Bids – Georgetown Park Phase 2 Parking Lot – This is a compliment to the basketball courts. This new parking lot will go in just north of the basketball courts. The budget for this will be about \$50,000.00 and will likely be a spring project. The parking lot will add about 26 parking spots to the park. The basketball court work included all the drainage work needed for this parking lot. That is partially why the price for the basketball courts was so high. Chris Loop would like to go ahead and bid the park parking lot.

Community Crossing Grant Money — This program has been opened. This is huge news. All of Indiana did not think this program would happen this year. We have received over \$576,000.00 in the last four years through the Community Crossings Grant program. This grant program is specifically for road paving and road improvements. Bob Woosley sent out a list of roads he believes needs to be paved. Bob Woosley provided the Council with a road rating sheet from 1-10. He went through the list with anything under a six or seven.

One of the roads he considered a road, that is not actually a public road, is the access road for the Wastewater Treatment Plant. This is a private road. We have not done any work to the road since the Plant has been open. This road gets a lot of heavy traffic. Bob Woosley estimates to pave this road would be just over \$29,000.00 and the paving will stop at the railroad tracks. This road is not eligible to submit for grant money so the town will have to pay for this road in full. This Grant program is a 50/50 match program. If you want to do \$500,000.00 worth of paving, you have to show that you have \$500,000.00 available to do this paving.

Annexation Issues on the West Side of Town - There are properties are on the west side of town that we show are not in town but they really are in town. They were annexed in with ordinance G-95-14. The ordinance was not recorded until 2004. Our town map does not show these properties in town. We are working on getting this cleaned up.

6906 High Point Way – This property will benefit from the front detention basin at Catalpa Ridge. It will take water through the basin and hopefully eliminate any structure flooding at this property.

Yenowine Conservation Subdivision was approved by the County. This is a 55-lot subdivision off of Yenowine Lane.

7233 Corydon Ridge Rd – At the last meeting we talked about a possible force main leak. We have determined there is not a leak. Jamie Schilmiller dumped a dye into the lift station and the dye made it to the treatment plant.

8130 Lisa Ln – Kelly Salesman asked Bob to look at the standing water in her side yard. She does have a standing water issue but her property drains to Marci Lane. Marci Lane does have flooding on it. When these two streets were developed, there were not drainage designs or recorded easements. We are not sure how these were done. She does want the town to install a culvert to see if this will help the problem.

8142 Autumn Dr – Bob Woosley and Jamie Schilmiller met with the homeowners on site today. Jamie Schilmiller is going to finish the drainage work behind their house by installing larger rip rap.

Georgetown Feed and Farm Supply has a new owner and they have a drainage issue on the rear hill. We are aware of this and we will look at addressing this. The water from Georgetown-Greenville Road is coming down his hillside from our right of way.

Georgetown Ball Park Drainage - To follow up with Jamie Schilmiller and Tim Cooper.

Darleen Kellams who lives at 9010 State Road 64 called Bob Woosley about purchasing the lot at the corner of Kepley Road and State Road 64. The Town owns this corner lot but the Kellams family have maintained it. The Town has thought about selling the property to them but it has to go to auction. We are not allowed to privately sell the property.

The extra automatic air relief was loaned to Harrison County. We have two old air relief valves in storage that we use as backup. Harrison County said that if we end up needing it back, they will give it back to us. This is only temporary until they get their new line built and they greatly appreciate it.

Agenda Items

Emulsification Blower System for Legacy Springs

Chris Loop received a quote for an emulsification blower to be installed in the lift station at Legacy Springs. We have been having issues at this particular lift station and have had several people come out to look at it. We are wanting to add this blower to the bottom of the wet well to keep things in suspension so it will continue to pump and not clog the pumps. We have had issues with things becoming solid and sticking. This is the only subdivision we have had this issue with.

We received a quote from Aspire Industries for the emulsification blower. The quote included custom based tubing, insulation and the man hours to install it for a total of \$6,206.00.

Chris Loop made a motion to approve the emulsification blower quote from Aspire Industries for \$6,206.00 to be paid from the Wastewater Capital Improvement Fund. Seconded by Kathy Haller and approved 5-0.

Building Department Interlocal Agreement

The County is running our building department by helping review applications for building permits and perform building inspections. This agreement expired this month. Both the Town and the County agreed to extend this agreement with an addendum to the original agreement.

Chris Loop made a motion to approve the extension addendum to the interlocal agreement between the Floyd County Commissioners and the Town of Georgetown for building department services. Seconded by Ben Stocksdale and approved 5-0.

Resolution for Police Expenses

The Clerk Treasurers office would like to reallocate some expenses paid for the Police Department. Originally, they were paid from the General Fund and those expenses will now be moved to the EDIT Fund. Up to \$75,000.00 in invoices and bills will be reallocated.

Chris Loop made a motion to approve Resolution R-20-13, A Resolution to Reallocate Expenses. Seconded by Ben Stocksdale and approved 5-0.

Claims Docket

Gary Smith made a motion to approve the claims docket. Seconded by Kathy Haller and approved 5-0.

Miscellaneous Business

Don Lopp with Floyd County asked Bob Woosley to mention to the Council that the County may be interested in doing a joint grant application for North Tucker Road in 2021. Bob Woosley is going to meet with Don Lopp and the County Engineer to look at the alignments and options and put together a budget and proposal to submit.

Ben Stockdale asked about the investment account. We had discussed holding securities that come due in cash but we have not instructed German America to do this. Chris Loop suggested telling them to hold it as cash.

Town Marshall Search Committee – Ben Stocksdale is trying to get an executive meeting scheduled for early next week to schedule interviews.

Jessica Alexander asked what fund we are to use for the police expenses for the remainder of the year.

Chris Loop made a motion to pay all police expenses from October 1 – December 31, 2020 out of the EDIT Fund. Seconded by Kathy Haller and approved 5-0.

Adjournment

Chris Loop made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Gary Smith and approved 5-0.

Christopher Loop, President

Bary & Smith
Gary Smith, Vice President

Kathy Haller

Billy Haller

Ben Stocksdale

Attest:

Julia Keibler, Clerk Treasurer