

**Town of Georgetown
Regular Meeting
January 19, 2021
6:30 P.M.**

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call:

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

Organizational Meeting

Gary Smith made a motion to nominate Chris Loop for President of the Town Council. Seconded by Ben Stocksdale and approved 3-0.

Gary Smith made a motion to nominate Ben Stocksdale for Vice President of the Town Council. Seconded by Chris Loop and approved 3-0.

Chris Loop made a motion to appoint Bob Woosley as Town Engineer. Seconded by Gary Smith and approved 3-0.

Ben Stocksdale made a motion to appoint Kristi Fox as Town Attorney. Seconded by Ben Stocksdale and approved 3-0.

Travis Speece will continue as Acting Police Chief.

Ben Stocksdale made a motion to retain First Financial Bank as the Town Bank. Seconded by Gary Smith and approved 3-0.

The Plan Commission had no terms that have expired.

Chris Loop made a motion to reappoint Michael Mercer on the Board of Zoning Appeals. Seconded by Ben Stocksdale and approved 3-0.

Chris Loop made a motion to retain all current members of the Redevelopment Commission for another year term. Seconded by Gary Smith and approved 3-0.

Chris Loop made a motion to appoint Everett Pullen, a democrat, to replace John Oppel on the Stormwater Board, as well as, Doug Bledsoe, a republican, to replace Ken Curry. Those are Town Council President appointed so a motion is not needed.

Chris Loop made a motion to appoint Travis Speece to the Safety Panel. Seconded by Gary Smith and approved 3-0.

Chris Loop made a motion to reappoint Kathy Haller, Jamie Schillmiller and Julia Keibler to the Safety Panel. Seconded by Ben Stocksdales and approved 3-0.

There is a Ballpark Committee and a Waste Water Treatment Plant Committee. There are no ordinances for those boards and so they will be tabled for now.

Ben Stocksdales made a motion to reappoint Julia Keibler as the Advisor to the Floyd County Plan Commission. Seconded by Chris Loop and approved 3-0.

Chris Loop made a motion to reappoint Ben Stocksdales to the Floyd County Solid Waste Board. Seconded by Gary Smith and approved 3-0.

Approval of Minutes

Gary Smith made a motion to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes on December 22, 2020. Seconded by Chris Loop and approved 3-0.

All members signed the Executive Session Memorandum from December 29, 2020.

Agenda Items

Old Town Hall Parking Lot Project Bid Opening

Dan Cristiani Excavating	\$109,758.00
Cornell Harbison Excavating	\$124,750.00
Merrel Bierman	\$ 80,521.00
EZ Construction	\$130,450.00
E&B Paving	\$197,700.90
Temple & Temple	\$ 96,138.00

Bob Woosley recommends the apparent low bidder Merrel Bierman at \$80,521.00. To take all bids under advisement and allow Bob Woosley to review all documentation and allow award contingent upon all requirements being met.

Chris Loop made a motion to accept the apparent low bidder pending all documentation is in order and award Merrel Bierman \$80,521.00 and for the project to be paid out of Water Works Proceeds. Seconded by Ben Stocksdales and approved 3-0.

Bob Woosley asked for an approval of a budget of up to \$10,000.00 for site lighting at the property. There are some solar options that we have been looking at. Bidders were told that we would be responsible for the lightening.

Chris Loop made a motion to approve up to a \$10,000.00 budget for lighting for the Old Town Hall Parking Lot and for it to be paid out of Gaming. Seconded by Ben Stocksdales and approved 3-0.

Lakeland Sanitary Sewer Improvements Project

Temple and Temple	\$259,215.00
Cornell Harbison Excavating	\$252,454.50

Bob Woosley recommends to take the bids under advisement and award the project to the apparent low bidder Cornell Harbison Excavating, contingent upon a review of all documentation that has been submitted.

Chris Loop made a motion to accept apparent low bidder Cornell Harbison Excavating with \$252,454.50 contingent upon approval of Bob Woosley's review of all documentation. To be paid out of Waste Water Capital Improvement Fund. Seconded by Ben Stocksdales and approved 3-0.

Clerk Treasurers Report

Nothing to report.

Sergeant Travis Speece

All training for 2020 has been completed. Inservice training will begin soon. CPR and First Aide training has been scheduled for today.

Vehicle break-in's have increased. Not necessarily in Georgetown but in the surrounding areas. This is a reminder to everyone to lock your vehicles.

One of the Ford Chargers has an engine issue. One quote has been received and Sergeant Speece will be getting a second quote.

Town Attorney

Gary Smith made a motion to accept the contract for Kristi Fox 2021 attorney services. Seconded by Ben Stocksdales and approved 3-0.

Pending lawsuit titled Gerrish verses Town of Georgetown, City of New Albany, Charles Morgan and Denny Kunkle. The insurance is interested in settling the case. As with most of our

insurance policies, there is a consent to settle provision. The Town is responsible to pay the deductible and the insurance will pay the remainder of the claim.

Chris Loop made a motion to accept the Consent to Settle titled Gerrish verses Town of Georgetown, City of New Albany, Charles Morgan and Denny Kunkle and to allow Chris Loop to sign any documentation out side of a meeting. Seconded by Ben Stocksdales and approved 3-0.

9000 State Road 64 is a piece of property that the Town Council is interested in selling. There are now two appraisals. The matter was tabled at the last meeting. There is a statute that allows for the sale to an abutting land owner if the property is under \$15,000.00. The Town Council also has the authority to increase the \$15,000.00 to a higher number because of an assessment. The property has been assessed at \$16,000.00 by the Assessors office as of last year. An easement would be part of the negotiations and will need to be added.

A reserve will be set at \$1,800.00 on the property.

Ordinance G-21-01, An Ordinance to Increase the Threshold That Applies to The Sale of Real Property Under IC 36-1-11-5

First Reading of G-21-01, An Ordinance to Increase the Threshold That Applies to The Sale of Real Property Under IC 36-1-11-5

Chris Loop made a motion to approve G-21-01 An Ordinance to Increase the Threshold That Applies to The Sale of Real Property Under IC 36-1-11-5. Seconded by Ben Stocksdales and approved 3-0.

Second Reading of G-21-01, An Ordinance to Increase the Threshold That Applies to The Sale of Real Property Under IC 36-1-11-5

Chris Loop made a motion to approve G-21-01 An Ordinance to Increase the Threshold That Applies to The Sale of Real Property Under IC 36-1-11-5. Seconded by Gary Smith and approved 3-0.

Resolution R-21-01, A Resolution Authorizing the Sale of Real Property

Ben Stocksdales made a motion to approve Resolution R-21-01, A Resolution Authorizing the Sale of Real Property. Seconded by Gary Smith and approved 3-0.

Baker Tilly Contract for Sewer Capacity Fees

This is a contract for the analysis of capacity fees. There will be an hourly rate and not an exact figure. A summary of the flow data is being put together and some additional research will be needed. The charge should be under \$5,000.00.

Chris Loop made a motion to approve the Baker Tilly Contract for the sewer capacity analysis and for those hours to be paid of our Waste Water Capital Improvement Fund. Seconded by Ben Stocksdales and approved 3-0.

Town Engineer

Catalpa Ridge Front Detention Basin Improvements Project can be closed out but not yet. They need to come back because of where they patched Frank Ott Road. There has been some settlement and they need to repatch the asphalt. It is on their schedule to be fixed.

The Basketball Court Improvements are still waiting for Duke Energy to remove one of the poles. Once the pole is removed, Merrel Bierman can begin working on the parking lot. Temple & Temple is waiting on the weather to warm up to complete the rest of their work on the basketball court. There will be two contractors working at the same time. The underground electric has been completed by Duke Energy. We will dress up the area in the spring. It will be the area between the softball fence.

The Community Crossings Matching Grant has been very successful in the past. Applications have been opened. The turn around is very quick and is due by January 29, 2020. If it is awarded, the Town has to come up with 25% of the money and the grant pays 75% of the costs. To apply the Town must agree to fully fund the project. We are going to request a total of \$237,650.00. If we get the grant it will pay \$178,237.00 and the Town would have to pay \$59,412.00.

Ben Stocksdales made a motion to allow Chris Loop to sign the Town Funding Commitment Letter for The Community Crossings Matching Grant. Seconded by Gary Smith and approved 3-0.

Bob Woosley has continued to meet with Don Lopp and the County Engineer to talk about possible improvements to North Tucker Road. There are several different options that they are looking at. The major concern is if North Tucker Road is improved and we do not consider traffic patterns, it will become an entrance to Brookstone.

The Yenowine Subdivision has paid the plan review fee.

The testing and startup of the lift station at Novaparke has occurred but there are some punch list items. Bob Woosley and Jamie Schillmiller are working with them. Privacy slats are needed on the fence, the gravel drive needs to be paved and there is a ventilation question about the control panel.

The dual four-inch force mains that run along Corydon Ridge Road and Old Salem Road have a new hydraulic model being prepared. That area has begun to explode with potential growth. We are getting more and more requests for potential sewer capacity. This model will tell us if new or special requirements are needed like pump selections or other items.

Some easement language has been provided to Lakeland. We will need an easement from them across the dam property below the lake. We need to be able to protect ourselves.

Bob Woosley will be working with Jamie Schillmiller to solicit some quotes to be able to remotely monitor all of our lift stations. Many times, the only way we know that there is a problem is if a resident calls in.

There has been an issue with Rainelle Woods with the power. We are waiting on a report from the vendor that repaired the station. We do not know what happened and there appears to be a problem with the electrical feed to the station. It has caused some serious damage to the control panel and it had to be rebuilt. We are waiting to get the report and then will be meeting with REMC to find out what happened.

Bob Woosley and Chris Loop will be meeting with United Methodist Church. There is a map of the area provided. There is some very strong interest in commercial development of that area. We will need to look at how we are going to get service to them. There are concerns about the lift station and necessary easements.

Plan Commission

A workshop will be held on January 27, 2020 at Pineview in the Sherriff's Training Room at 1:00 P.M.

Agenda Items

SWAC Contract for 2021

There is a Stormwater Advisory Committee in Southern Indiana. We are a member along with many other towns in the area. The contract is divided by population and our amount due is \$2,500.00. There could be some hourly charges. They helped this year with filing our biannual report.

Ben Stocksdale made a motion to accept the SWAC Contract for 2021 with OHM Advisors and to be paid by Stormwater. Seconded by Chris Loop and approved 3-0.

Removal of Late Fees – Denise McCormick

Not in attendance.

Old Town Hall Proposals

In October the Town put out a Request for Proposals for use of the building. Four proposals were received. Three were food service industry proposals and one was from the Floyd County Library. After evaluating the proposals, Chris Loop would like to move forward with the

Georgetown Butcher Shop. They did not require any additional funds from the Town, they had a lump sum of money they are going to invest in the building and have asked to lease the building for \$1.00 a year with the option to purchase the building after renovations are completed.

The other proposals received were very good and we would like to work individually with them to bring them to Georgetown in a different building.

Chris Loop made a motion to negotiate lease terms with the Georgetown Butcher Shop in the Old Bank Building. Seconded by Ben Stocksdales and approved 3-0.

Claims Docket

Chris Loop made a motion to approve the claims docket. Seconded by Gary Smith and approved 3-0.

Floyd County Head Start has a program free preschool program for those that qualify. They have asked if we would put the information on our website, put a sign in the front yard of Town Hall.

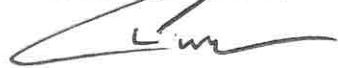
Chris Loop made a motion to approve putting a message from Floyd County Head Start on our website, as well as, place a sign in the front of our property and police station for a month. Seconded by Ben Stocksdales and approved 3-0.

April 26, 2020 will be the 60th year anniversary of the Optimist Club.

Adjournment

Gary Smith made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Chris Loop and approved 3-0.

Minutes approved by:



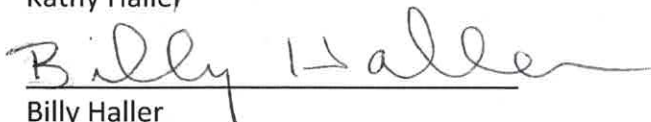
Christopher Loop, President



Gary Smith, Vice President



Kathy Haller

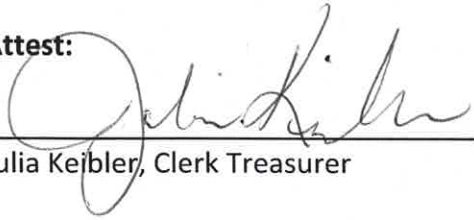


Billy Haller



Ben Stocksdaile

Attest:



Julia Keibler, Clerk Treasurer