# Town of Georgetown Regular Meeting February 22, 2022 6:30 P.M.

## Pledge of Allegiance

#### Roll Call:

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

## **Approval of Minutes**

Gary Smith made a motion to approve the Regular Town Council Meeting Minutes on January 18, 2022. Seconded by Chris Loop and approved 5-0.

## Bid Opening - Georgetown Main Street Streetscape Improve. Project - Phase II

This phase will go from Georgetown Elementary and east to Canal Lane on both sides of State Road 64. We will not be replacing any of the existing sidewalks. Closer to Canal Lane, there are some hillsides that we will have to put walls in.

Excel Excavating \$631,830.00 Koetter Construction \$309,090.00

Bob Woosley recommends award to the apparent low bidder, Koetter Construction, contingent upon all paperwork being in order and to allow Chris Loop to sign any contracts outside of a meeting. Wage scales will apply to this project since federal funds are being used.

Kathy Haller made a motion to award Koetter Construction contingent upon all paperwork being in order and to allow Chris Loop to sign any contracts outside of a meeting with \$200,000.00 coming from the ARP money and \$109,090.00 from Waterworks Proceeds Fund 480. Seconded by Ben Stocksdale and approved 5-0.

This will include a pedestrian crossing and will take at least 30 days to get all the documents in order. Koetter Construction is looking at a June to July starting time frame.

## **Clerk Treasurers Report**

Tammy Anderson has a mileage reimbursement claim for a total of \$38.05.

Chris Loop made a motion to approve the mileage expense report for Tammy Anderson and for that to come from the General Fund. Seconded by Ben Stocksdale and approved 5-0.

We received the bill from Hart's Survey for the survey at 9000 State Road 64, which is the Kellams' property. We had originally appropriated up to \$1,000.00 and the bill total was \$2,778.75.

This was a bigger project than we expected. There was no recorded right-of-way (Kepley Road), the deeds were full of errors and they had to reestablish a lot of property information. The same errors we had with Old Town Hall we had with this property.

Ben Stocksdale made a motion to approve \$1,778.75 to Hart's Survey for the property survey at 9000 State Road 64 to be paid out of the General Fund. Seconded by Chris Loop and approved 5-0.

Now that it has been corrected, the Town's part of the property will be platted off into a dedicated right-of-way and the remainder will be in the piece the Kellam's receive. Most of it is asphalt paving. The grass is the Kellam's and the rest is the Town's. The sign in in the right-of-way.

There is a new transit system in Floyd County. The company is Southern Indiana Transit System. You can call them and schedule a time to pick you up and take you where you need to go. There is a small charge. To go up to 20 miles one way, it is three dollars. They have limited hours, Monday through Friday from 6 A.M. to 6 P.M. They are also looking for drivers. Their phone number is 812-738-1681.

## **Chief Travis Speece**

Officer Fulkerson has completed his field training and he has been released to work by himself.

We have reviewed some of the online auctions for the police cars and GovDeals seems like it is the better website to use. We are still vetting the website to make sure it is applicable to us.

The lighting for the sign and flagpole at the police station that was approved at the December meeting should be done this week or next week. The work has been delayed due to weather.

Last Thursday we had two inches of water in the basement. We were able to pump most of the water out and got everything moved so it did not get damaged. The only thing lost was some carpet and maybe some baseboard. We will be working with the utility department to get the line located and see if it is clogged. There are three drains in the basement floor and the water was coming from all three drains.

In January 2022 we have filed 13 misdemeanor charges and five felony charges. So far in February we have filed 11 misdemeanor charges and one felony charge. The guys are doing a lot of good work. We have gotten a lot of positive feedback from the Prosecutor's Office regarding the paperwork and how they are performing. Chief Speece is very proud of them.

#### **Public Works**

We need to approve the purchase of ballfield material for \$790.00 for the project that Lambs Landscape is doing at the ballpark. The contractor thought we already had the material but we do not.

Chris Loop made a motion to approve \$790.00 for the ballfield material to Bluegrass Ballfields and for that to be paid from the Gaming Fund. Seconded by Gary Smith and approved 5-0.

## **Town Attorney**

We are hoping to have a special meeting to sign the lease for Old Town Hall prior to the March meeting. We have an agreed judgement. The deeds have been signed and they will be recorded and filed as soon as we have the judge's approval of the agreed judgement.

## **Town Engineer**

The ballpark lighting installation is now scheduled for May 23, 2022. The contractor has asked if we would like to upgrade the new panel that is going to be installed. The bid included a 400-amp service but he is asking if we would like to upgrade to a 600-amp service. The price would be \$7,200.00. Bob Woosley recommends the upgrade and this would be Change Order #1.

Chris Loop made a motion to approve Change Order #1 for Custer Electric to upgrade the electric service at the ballpark to 600-amp versus 400-amp for \$7,200.00 and for that to be paid for from the Gaming Fund. Seconded by Kathy Haller and approved 5-0.

Brookstone Lining – At the last meeting you approved up to \$33,140.00 with Temple and Temple for the lining of the sewer line on Oakstone Drive. When they were preparing the line to do the work, they discovered that it is a six-inch line not an eight-inch line. The plans clearly called for an eight-inch line and we are not sure what happened here. They have started to do some other investigative work. There is a section upstream from this that also showing some signs of leaking.

CCMG – Nothing to report yet on the Community Crossings Matching Grant. We submitted a total project amount of \$242,412.70 and of \$182,00.00 would be grant money.

TNT Technologies – A progress meeting was held Friday and the system is online. Training is going on now and they will transfer the information to the Town and all required staff. We will have a brief demonstration at a meeting once the training is complete.

Fitch Drive – Hart's Surveying is looking into this right-of-way. Preliminarily, he agrees there is a four-foot right-of-way there but he still needs to confirm this. Once he does confirm it, Bob Woosley will get with Jamie Schilmiller and the work can be completed.

Henriott Road and Crabapple Drive – We talked about extending the existing pipe under Crabapple Drive at this intersection. We would extend this pipe about 20 feet. Bob Woosley's

recommendation would be to install some rip rap on top of the pipe so cars cannot drive on top of it. There is plenty of existing turn radius here. The deepest point at this drop off is 2-3 feet. The top of the stone will have to match the existing channel from the east so we do not interrupt the flow of the water. The water will flow through the stone and around the pipe and back down. It was decided that a pipe will also be installed on the other side of the road.

Springs of Old Georgetown – This is the new subdivision on Yenowine Lane. The recorded plat has a spot for the Sewer Board to sign. The Town does not have a sewer board so the Town Council President needs to sign it.

Ben Stocksdale made a motion to allow Chris Loop to sign the plat for Springs of Old Georgetown Phase 1 to agree that we have the sewer capacity. Seconded by Gary Smith and approved 5-0.

Straeffer Pump & Supply – Straeffer has started pulling the pumps at the lift stations. They are finding some things that will need corrected. At both Rainelle Woods and Legacy Springs, the air diffuser that Aspire Industries recently installed is blocking the second pump. They cannot easily pull these pumps without hitting the diffuser and causing damage. At Lakeland we found we are only operating on one pump. Bob is wondering if we need to appropriate some miscellaneous funds to fix these smaller issues when they come up and then come to the Town Council for the big problems later.

Lakeland had an overflow last Thursday. The water is 100% not coming from the main line. The likely place it could be coming from is a leaky manhole or sump pumps. The only way to find this out is to smoke test the line. When we put the second pump in service hopefully, we can stop the overflows. The lining made a dramatic improvement since previously a small rain event would cause an overflow.

#### Agenda Items

#### Interlocal with NAFC Schools for Sludge

This was discussed at the January meeting. This interlocal will allow us to treat the sludge for the New Albany Floyd County Schools. Their attorney has reviewed this and there were a few minor changes and those are included in this document. This is very similar to the one we did last year with the Harrison County Regional Sewer District.

Kathy Haller made a motion to approve the interlocal with New Albany Floyd County Schools to treat their sludge. Seconded by Chris Loop and approved 5-0.

#### Kiesler Electric Quote for Yenowine Lift Station

The contractor is building the lift station per our specs. This particular site has to be built with retaining walls as it is a challenging site. Our typical requirement is pressure treated posts that the control panel and everything else is attached to. Jamie Schilmiller met with the electrician

installing the lift station on site and they suggested that they could install stainless steel posts and unistruts. It would be attached to the wall to make a better product that you would never have to worry about. Bob Woosley and Jamie Schilmiller thought that the Town should pay for this upgrade since it is above and beyond our normal scope of work. The cost is \$2,325.00.

Chris Loop made a motion to approve the quote for \$2,325.00 to Kiesler Electric to upgrade the Yenowine lift station from treated to stainless steel mounting points and for those funds to come from the Wastewater Improvement Fund. Seconded by Ben Stocksdale and approved 5-0.

## **UV Lamps for WWTP**

We currently use UV bulbs to treat the water at the plant during the summer. The bulbs only have a life of about 1,200 hours. We need to order all new lamps to get them all on the same cycle. The total cost for these is \$12,061.50.

Chris Loop made a motion to approve the purchase of the UV lamps for \$12,061.50 and for that to be paid from Wastewater Improvement Fund. Seconded by Kathy Haller and approved 5-0.

## Quotes for Electric and Garage Door Openers for New Utility Shop

When we built the new garage at the Town Utility Shop, we did not include openers for the seven large garage doors. When we heat or cool that space, it would helpful to have openers. The doors are very heavy. We have received quotes for the openers but this will also require electric to be run to add seven receptacles to operate the openers. Three quotes were received for each item.

#### Openers:

Sprigler Door - \$12,725.00 Lewis Door - \$20,405.00 Absolute Door - \$27,840.20

#### Electric:

Kiesler Electric - \$2,575.00 Aspire Industries - \$4,616.00 Absolute Door - \$5,446.00

Chris Loop made a motion to approve the quote from Sprigler Door Service for \$12,725.00 and Kiesler Electric for \$2,575.00 and for those to be paid from the Gaming Fund. Seconded by Gary Smith and approved 5-0.

## Approval of River Hills Appointment

Chris Loop made a motion to reappoint Melanie Douglas to River Hills for the 2022 calendar year. Seconded by Kathy Haller and approved 5-0.

## **Update for New Snowplow Truck**

The initial quote we received from J. Edinger & Son was from June of 2021. The updated quote is from January of 2022 and the prices have increased. We put in a threshold, in case of a price increase, but it was not high enough. The total difference not approved was \$1,408.00.

Chris Loop made a motion to approve an additional \$1,408.00 to make up for the material price increase for our new snowplow truck and for that to be paid from the MVH Fund. Seconded by Ben Stocksdale and approved 5-0.

## Destination Georgetown - John Beams

Dale Mann recently approached Kathy Haller and advised her that he had the carriage that was used in the Days of Rosalee parade. Dale Mann has gifted it to Destination Georgetown. He has agreed to restore the top and replace the existing leather. John Beams would like to put it in safe storage.

Destination Georgetown would like to lease the old firehouse from the Town. The Lion's Club and Destination Georgetown have agreed to rehabilitate the outside of the firehouse. Destination Georgetown is willing to add additional liability insurance and to pay \$100.00 a year for the building, as well as, take over the electric bill. Some lighting may be added to the inside of the garage. This would be a one-year lease and there will have to be a public hearing.

Chris Loop made a motion to have Kristi Fox draft a lease agreement for Destination Georgetown to lease the small firehouse building and to start the process for the lease and public hearing. Seconded by Kathy Haller and approved 5-0.

The contractor and architect for the Wolfe Hotel met with the owners on Sunday. There is now a set of plans. Their plan is to do the entire property as an Airbnb program. They can probably get three units plus an additional one with the carriage house in the back. The total project is estimated to be about \$300,000.00. They will likely be reapplying for the Redevelopment program again.

Destination Georgetown applied for the covid grant program for small businesses with Floyd County. They received \$25,000.00 to work just in the historic district on grants and programs to assist developing Airbnb's or other businesses in the district. They are looking at the possibility of adding "condo hotels" in Town.

#### Claims Docket

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

#### Misc. Business

There is a tree in the right-of-way at the corner of Roy Street and High Street. There is a risk of it falling into the road with the upcoming spring storms. Two estimates were received. Treez, LLC - \$1,925.00 and that includes the removal of the stump. Eager Beaver estimated \$2,000.00 for the same thing. The address of this tree is 9090 High Street.

Chris Loop made a motion to approve the quote from Eager Beaver for \$2,000.00 contingent upon public works confirming they will haul away all of the grinds from the stump and for it to be paid from the LRS Fund. Seconded by Ben Stocksdale and approved 5-0.

Billy Haller asked if the website could be updated with the 2022 meeting dates. He also mentioned that are a lot of potholes at the park in the gravel area and people keep doing donuts in the parking lot. He asked about the new employee for the Clerk Treasurer's office. There was a discussion regarding stormwater ditches. It is ultimately the homeowners responsibility to maintain their property.

The March Town Council meeting has been moved to Tuesday, March 15, 2022 at 6:30 P.M.

## Adjournment

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

Minutes approved by:

Christopher Loop, President

Ben Stocksdale, Vice President

Kathy Haller

Billy Haller

**Gary Smith** 

Attest:

Julia Keibler, Clerk Treasurer