

March 11, 2019

The Ellettsville, Indiana, Town Council met for a regular meeting on Monday, March 11, 2019, at the Ellettsville Town Hall Meeting Room located at 1150 W. Guy McCown Drive. Brian Mobley called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Dan Swafford led the Pledge of Allegiance followed with a prayer by Jimmie Durnil.

Roll Call: Members present were Brian Mobley, President; Dan Swafford, Vice President; Pam Samples and Scott Oldham. Scott Thomas was absent. Sandra Hash, Clerk-Treasurer; Mike Farmer, Interim Town Manager; and Rick Coppock, Bynum Fanyo & Associates, Town Engineer; were also present.

Supervisors present were: Mike Cornman, Jimmie Durnil and Danny Stalcup.

Approval of Minutes

Brian Mobley entertained a motion for approval of the minutes of the work session and the regular meeting on February 25, 2019. Dan Swafford so moved. Pam Samples seconded. Roll call vote: Brian Mobley abstained; Dan Swafford – yes; Scott Oldham – yes; Pam Samples – yes; Motion carried.

Accounts Payable Vouchers and Payroll

Brian Mobley entertained a motion to pay Accounts Payable Vouchers and Payroll. Scott Oldham made a motion for action to pay Accounts Payable Vouchers and Payroll. Dan Swafford seconded. Roll call vote: Brian Mobley – yes; Dan Swafford – yes; Scott Oldham – yes; Pam Samples – yes; Motion carried.

Open Bids for Police Surplus Bicycles

Jimmie Durnil, Town Marshal, opened the bicycle bids: Gayle Jones - \$25.00 for the black giant bike and John Newcomer - \$15.00 for the grey giant bike

Scott Oldham ask if there were any remaining bikes and if so could they be donated to the Boys and Girls Club or someone who could get the bikes to children who otherwise might not have one. Jimmie Durnil agreed to donate the remaining usable bicycles. The unusable bike will be sold for scrape.

Brian Mobley entertained a motion to accept the bicycle bids. Scott Oldham made a motion to accept the bicycle bids. Dan Swafford seconded. Roll call vote: Brian Mobley – yes; Dan Swafford – yes; Scott Oldham – yes; Pam Samples – yes; Motion carried.

Dan Swafford asked how the Police had collected the bikes. Jimmie responded the bikes have been abandoned. The officers pick them up and they were never claimed.

Ordinance on Second Reading

Kevin Tolloty could not attend the meeting and requested the following ordinances be tabled untiled March 25, 2019.

Ordinance 2019-07 to amend Section 152.001 of the Ellettsville Town Code Regarding Definitions

Ordinance 2019-08 to amend Section 152.053 of the Ellettsville Town Code Regarding Residential Fencing, Hedges, Berms and Walls

Ordinance 2019-09 to amend Section 152.054 of the Ellettsville Town Code Regarding Fencing Height in Residential Districts

Ordinance 2019-10 to amend Section 152.181 of the Ellettsville Town Code Regarding Easements

Ordinance 2019-11 to amend Section 152.190 of the Ellettsville Town Code Regarding Minimum Yard Setback Requirements

Scott Oldham made a motion to table all the Ordinance listed for second reading. Dan Swafford seconded. Roll call vote: Brian Mobley – yes; Dan Swafford – yes; Scott Oldham – yes; Pam Samples – yes; Motion carried.

Old Business

Flood Report

Mike Farmer, Interim Town Manager, reported Christopher Burke Engineering's request to use allotment for un-used survey budget to run additional models. Mike gave them permission and the Council agreed.

Old Business

Eminent Domain – 104 West Vine Street – Chad Stephens, Pipjay Properties

Mike Farmer stated he has been in contact with the owner to discuss the eminent domain.

Scott Oldham made a motion to table the Eminent Domain as he didn't want to proceed without legal counsel present. Dan Swafford seconded. Roll call vote: Brian Mobley – yes; Dan Swafford – yes; Scott Oldham – yes; Pam Samples – yes; Motion carried

New Business

Continuing Disclosure Services agreement between the Town of Ellettsville and H.J. Umbaugh and Associates

Sandra Hash, Clerk Treasurer, explained this is a continuing disclosure agreement renewal for annual reporting on bonds the same as approved at the last meeting for the Waterline Bond except this is the Police and Fire Stations Bond. Dan Swafford made a motion to approve the agreement for Continue Disclosure Services between the Town of Ellettsville and H. J. Umbaugh and Associates for the Police and Fire Bond. Pam Samples seconded. Roll call vote: Brian Mobley – yes; Dan Swafford – yes; Scott Oldham – yes; Pam Samples – yes; Motion carried.

Property Transfer – Vine Street Properties

Mike Farmer explained after looking at the parcel along the creek owned by the town with the flat rock wall he saw the need to clean the field and remove some old fencing that collected debris during the recent flood. He thought the town property was adjacent to the piece owned by the Chandler that is used for parking. He provided a map of the area which shows the Village Inn owns a piece between the Town's property and the Chandler parking lot. He would like to clean that area and remove that portion of the fence so he called the property manager and talked to her about taking the fence down and she agreed to the removing of the fence. Mike also ask the manager if she was aware of the roadway easement "the extension of Paul Street" that went through the parking lot for the Village Inn and if she would be interesting in trading the piece along the creek for the right of way through the parking lot. She agreed it would be a good idea.

Scott Oldham posed the question, did the Town purchase that property when the trail was constructed. Sandra answered the Town purchased an easement across the property for the trail. Scott Oldham added it would be in the best interest of both the Town and the property owner to trade properties. It would remove the right of way so it doesn't interfere with future development and allow the town to maintain the area along the creek since it is in the flood and unbuildable.

Scott Oldham made a motion to allow Mike in cooperation with Darla, legal counsel, to proceed with this. Dan Swafford seconded. Roll call vote: Brian Mobley – yes; Dan Swafford – yes; Scott Oldham – yes; Pam Samples – yes; Motion carried.

Dan verified with Mike Farmer that there are no utility easements in the Right of Way. Mike affirmed.

Council Comments

Brian Mobley presented Mike Cornman with a certificate recognizing his 40 years of service to the Town of Ellettsville, 5 years as a Volunteer Fireman and 35 years as a paid Fireman.

Supervisor Comments

Mike Cornman, Fire Chief, requested permission to hire Alex Jefferies and Ben Slinkard as part-time firemen. They both have experience with other local fire departments. Brian Mobley entertained a motion to hire Alex Jefferies and Ben Slinkard as part-time firemen. Dan Swafford so moved. Scott Oldham seconded. Roll call vote: Brian Mobley – yes; Dan Swafford – yes; Scott Oldham – yes; Pam Samples – yes; motion carried.

Mike Cornman wanted to remind the community that we do have a smoke detector program. Indiana law states every home should have a smoke detector. He wants people to know if they do not have a smoke detector they can come to the Ellettsville Fire Department and get one. The smoke detector program is funded by the Firefighter Union 586 District 2. The Fire Department also participates in the State Fire Marshal’s Program on making sure people have smoke detectors. They have provided 20 smoke alarms with 10 year batteries to be distributed. The only requirement is the firefighters offer assistance in installing the alarms. The liability issue was covered by the previous town attorney and the firefighters all sign waivers which is common practice with most fire departments. They also partnered with Domino’s Pizza last weekend to provide, install and test home fire detectors. The firefighters replaced a few batteries and installed 5 smoke alarms. They also work with the Red Cross and recently helped with a blitz in the Van Buren Park neighborhood going door to door to insure everyone has a working smoke alarm due to a recent fire fatality in the area.

Mike Cornman presented the Ellettsville Fire Department Year End Report for 2018. He provided copies of the report to the Council and Supervisors. Mike shared some statistics from the report which gives a snapshot of what they did last year, some of the things they are concerned about for the next year along with some goals they would like to accomplish.

Major Incidents and staff hours

Run Description	Address	Man Hours	Total Staff
Structure Fire	2998 N. Andy Way	81.66	19
Structure Fire	5250 W. Nova Drive	27.76	15
Business Fire	104 W. Vine Street	49.89	14
Business Fire	509 W. Temperance Street	36.91	13
Fall Festival	Park Street	233.5	17

- The total Volunteer man hours for 2018 was 286. The worth of the Volunteer Firefighter services was \$4,533.10.
- CPR Training was provided to 191 students, who were not firefighters, in 21 classes for a total of 62 hours of training.
- Total staff hours on incidents: 3,182 about 400 more than 2017
- Employees injuries reported: 3
- Total hours of training: 2,632
- Fire Service Building Inspections only as requested or to address complaints – commercial only: 12
- Assist the Monroe County Building Department with building commercial buildings, that gives them a heads up on what will be in the building
- Fire prevention classes: 24 not counting the visitors to the smoke trailer at the Fall Festival
- Thursday was the busiest day of the week with May being the highest month
- The busiest time of day: 2:30 – 3:00 p.m.
- The runs for Station 7 were 684 and Station 7 had 542
- The average response time for the primary jurisdiction: 4 minutes and 35 seconds

Incident Categories and Mutual Aid

Incident Description	Town	Township	Assistance Given	Totals
Structure Fires	25	10	22	57
Mobile Property Fires	2	2	4	8
Cooking Fires	0	1	2	3
Outside (Brush / Grass) Fires	21	9	7	37
Overpressure / Explosion	1	2	0	3
EMS / Rescue	226	231	371	828
HAZMAT Hazardous Conditions	19	22	7	48
Service Call / Other	53	21	9	83
Good Intent	10	6	2	18
False Alarms	30	40	66	136
Severe Weather / Natural Disaster	1	0	0	1
Special Incident	1	1	2	4
Totals	389	345	492	1226

Assistance Given To:	
Bean Blossom Township Fire Department /Stinesville	68
Benton Township Fire Department	2
Bloomington City Fire Department	21
IU EMS	346
Northern Monroe Fire Territory	37
Police / Other Agency	4
Perry Clear Creek Fire Protection District	10
Van Buren Township Fire Department	74
Total	558

Assistance Received From:	
Bean Blossom Township Fire Department /Stinesville	5
Bloomington City Fire Department	5
IU EMS	22
Northern Monroe Fire Territory	9
Police / Other Agency	1
Perry Clear Creek Fire Protection District	1
Van Buren Township Fire Department	71
Total	113

Grants Received

Smithville Charitable Foundation	\$22,500.00	2 - Communication Mobile Repeaters (Ordered)
DNR Grant	\$4,000.00	4 sets of Reciprocating saw/Driver/Batteries and 3 handheld seek thermal cameras
Richland Township Trustee	\$37,000.00	For the down payment on New SCOTT Self Contained Breathing Apparatus

The Fire Department does all their own maintenance and repair. In 2018 they replaced the bumper blocks in the parking lot and repaired a retaining wall at State 7. They do regular hose testing and provide their own training which is open to the whole county. They completed a driving course for the first time. Mike covered several types of training they had provided.

The Fire Department supports the community in many ways including children and adult programs. They helped the Boys and Girls Club with their Giving Hearts signs, Kids Day at the Fall Festival with the smoke house, tour of the fire house with the Kindergarten classes and share their training building with Hoosier Hill Fire Science students.

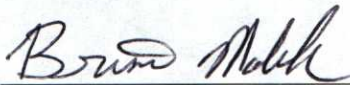
Mike also gave an analysis of the fire trucks and equipment that are in good shape and what needs to be replaced. Both Stations have new roofs and the air conditioner was replaced at Station 8 last year. There is a need for more radios and fire gear. Fire gear expires every 10 years. The tires on several apparatus need to be replace either this year or next at a cost of \$28,000.

Their goals for next year are more training proceeding with road rescue operational and swift water. Operational wise they want to finish our mobile to data terminal project to communicate with Central Dispatch appropriately. They are working on grants for their radio repeaters and fire gear. In closing Mike stated, "They need some sort of workable solution so they can continue on with the quality of fire protection they have, as minimum as it is, as challenging as it is we need to get over this hump once and for all and have a better future for the fire department. With the funding we see down the road I think it is important to note we need to make a change."

Brian Mobley questioned if they would be able to see exactly where the calls are and how many calls have been made in that area. Mike said they are currently receiving that information.

Adjournment

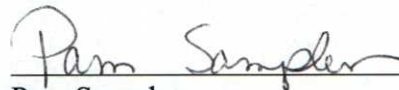
Brian Mobley entertained a motion to adjourn. Dan Swafford so moved. Scott Oldham seconded. Brian Mobley adjourned the meeting at 7:20 p.m.



Brian Mobley, President

Dan Swafford, Vice President

Scott Oldham



Pam Samples

Scott Thomas

Sandra C. Hash, Clerk-Treasurer, IAMC, MMC