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Pledge of Allegiance

Day: Thursday

Call to Order: 6:31 P.M.

Date: 01/16/2020

Roll Call

Time: 6:30 P.M.

Present: Don Foley, Carol Eckstein, Marilyn Decker, Cheryl Taylor

Place: Town Hall

Absent:

604 North Meridian Street
Sunman, IN 47041

Matter:

Approval of Agenda

Approved 1st Carol Eckstein 2nd Marilyn Decker

Matter:

Approval of December 19, 2019 Meeting Minutes

Approved 1st Carol Eckstein 2nd Marilyn Decker

Marshal's Report, Jason Hoffman, attached

Matter:

Jason requested the purchase of a Portable Breath Test Machine for \$555.99. Cheryl Taylor reported that the account does have the funds needed to purchase.

Don Foley asked for a motion to approve the purchase.

Approved 1st Carol Eckstein 2nd Marilyn Decker

Utility Report, Terry Knueven, attached

Ripley County Area Zoning Commission Representative, Evan Jenner

Announced Ripley County Planning Commission Public Hearing to Rezone Part of Section 17, Township 9 North, Range 13 East, Adams Twp. 14.69 acres to rezone from A-2 Agriculture to I-1 Industrial. The public meeting is on February 4, 2020 at 7 P.M. at the Ripley County Courthouse Annex, in Versailles, IN. The current business owner of Wire Tek, is seeking to expand his established business. Jeff French is asking the Sunman Town Council for a letter of support on behalf of the owner, Greg Hauck, no objections were voiced.

Old Business:

Commonwealth Engineering, Jeremy Schmitt

INDOT Community Crossing Grant, Road Improvement Project

Jeremy updated the Council on the work and progress of the project. The contractor is currently identifying and installing new inlets and storm lines. Asphaltting will begin in the spring. He asked permission to write up the request for easement to Sunman Community Church to move the utility poles so the handicap accommodation ramps can be installed. All documents will be forwarded to the Town Attorney.

New Business

Matter:

President of Town Council

Carol Eckstein motioned to name Don Foley for President, Marilyn Decker seconded that motion.

Matter:

Town Council Meeting Schedule 2020, attached

Don Foley reported that the meeting schedule for the town meeting would remain on the third Thursday of each month at 6:30 P.M. Marilyn Decker added that the meetings and other calendar events were placed on the new website, townofsunman.com

Matter:

FCN Bank

Don Foley asked for a motion to keep banking at the FCN Bank in Sunman.

Approved 1st Carol Eckstein 2nd Marilyn Decker

Matter:

Clerk Treasure's Surety Bond

Don Foley asked for a motion to approve Cheryl Taylor's Surety Bond of \$40,000.

Approved 1st Marilyn Decker 2nd Carol Eckstein

Matter:

Attorney Contract

All parties signed off on the Attorney Contract for the year of 2020.

Matter:

Cleaning Services

Don Foley asked for a motion to continue cleaning services with Pat Hollingsworth for the year 2020

Approved 1st Marilyn Decker 2nd Carol Eckstein

Matter:

Amendment to Salary Ordinance 2020-1

Don Foley asked for a motion to approve an amendment to the Salary Ordinance 2020-1 raising the wage of the Utility Clerk from \$10.00 to \$12.00 hourly. And, the Salary of the Clerk Treasurer be returned to the budgeted amount of \$34,900, Salary Ordinance 2020-2

Approved 1st Marilyn Decker 2nd Carol Eckstein

Matter:

Amendment to Debt Collection Ordinance

Don Foley asked for a motion to approve the Ordinance to amend and supplement Title Five of the Sunman Town Ordinance Chapter 52, Water Regulations, empowering the Clerk Treasurer to collect bad debts.

In favor, 1st Marilynn Decker, 2nd Carol Eckstein. The Ordinance will be read on February 20, 2020 for final approval.

Matter:

Ordinances tabled to next meeting

Ordinances regarding petty cash, cash fund, recurring bills and the publishing of all ordinances were tabled until next meeting to gather needed information.

Matter:

Park Board Members Needed

Don Foley stated that Sunman was in need of four people to serve on the Park Board. Those who are interested should contact the Town Hall. Don Foley is preparing a list of duties for those inquiring. Milinda Middlebrooks expressed her intention to apply.

Matter:

Appointment of Representative to the Southeastern Indiana Regional Planning Commission

Don Foley asked for a motion to appoint Cheryl Taylor.

Approved 1st Carol Eckstein 2nd Marilyn Decker

Open to the Floor

Ruth Riehle – Concepts Industrial, trash and junk being stored on the property. Evan will check on permit.

Lisa Disley – Excessive barking dogs, multiple dogs on a property. Marshal will follow up.

Harvey Dobson – Utility report comment about people flushing things that don't belong clogging grinder pumps, even if its labeled "flushable" it should not be flushed.

Milinda Middlebrooks – Thanked the police for their good work. Still has a concern with the excessive speeding on South Meridian Street. Marshal reported more speed signs are coming.

Adjournment

Don Foley asked for a motion to adjourn at 7:56 P.M.

Approved 1st Carol Eckstein 2nd Marilyn Decker

Minutes approved this _____ day of _____, 2020

Don Foley, Council President

Marilyn Decker, Council Member

Carol Eckstein, Council Member

Attest, Cheryl Taylor, Clerk-Treasurer