

Burlington Town Council
September 8, 2020
49 Northgate Plaza, Burlington, IN 46915

The Burlington Town Council held the 2021 budget public hearing and regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, September 8, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. at Town Hall with Council's Steve Michael, Kevin Hammond and Jim Enoch; Clerk-Treasurer Karen Dinger; Town Marshal Terry Moore and Public Works Commissioner Steve Stout present. Attorney Justin Alter listens to the meeting via speakerphone.

Guests present are: Bret Rinheart and Bill Jones from the Carroll County Economic Development Corporation, and Roger Bousum.

Council President Steve Michael opens the 2021 public hearing at 7:00 p.m.

The 2021 town budget proposal is presented by Clerk-Treasurer Dinger. Michael asks if there are any questions or comments. No comments or questions are received.

Council President Steve Michael closes the public hearing at 7:03 p.m.

Council President Steve Michael opens the regular meeting at 7:03 p.m.

President Michael presents minutes from the August 11, 2020 regular council meeting. Hammond makes a motion to approve minutes as presented. Enoch 2nds. All Ayes. Motion passed.

C/T Dinger presents claims from August 12 through September 8, 2020 for a total of \$35,528.26 for both town and wastewater. Enoch makes a motion to pay the sewage and town bills. Hammond 2nds. All Ayes. Motion Passed.

Bret Rinehart, from the Carroll County Economic Development Corporation speaks to the council regarding the EDC. He states that Laura Walls has turned in her resignation as the director and the process of looking at qualified applicants for the open position will begin soon. He talks to the council regarding the EDC history in the county. He states that the EDC helped create the EDIT taxes in the county to help local communities with economic development. They have also helped with several projects in the county, including Adam's Mill, the American House Museum and school advertising. Mr. Jones adds that they are always looking to attract industry into the county. New industry brings jobs and increases the need for housing. Because Burlington does not have city water, some industries have not wanted to locate in the area. Mr. Rinehart feels that Burlington offers residential opportunities as the town is centrally located to several major urban areas.

Town Marshal Terry Moore provides the report for August for the police department. Body cameras should be in by the end of the month. He states that there is a basic death investigation training in Evansville in October for four days. He requests permission to attend. Enoch makes a motion to send Marshal Moore to the training. Michael 2nds. All Ayes. Motion passed. Michael makes a motion to accept the marshal's report as presented. Hammond 2nds. All Ayes. Motion passed.

Public Works Commissioner Steve Stout provides an update. He states that the work at the Haun Drive lift station is now complete. A tree limb burnt though an electric line by the Cutler Road lift station. Assistance was needed from Duke Energy. Rip rap was placed on Zook Lane at the culvert. Curbs and parking lines will be painted in town starting tomorrow.

Old Business

Discussion is held regarding abandoned/unlicensed vehicles. A list will be compiled for those properties that are in violation. Attorney Alter states that the procedure for notifying residents of violation of the ordinance regarding these vehicles will be the same as tall grass/rank vegetation violations with certified letters being mailed.

New Business

A quote is received from E&B Paving from the fire department for sealing of the parking lot for the department and the town alley. The town alley sealing quote is \$580. Enoch makes a motion to seal the alley by the fire department. Hammond 2nds. All Ayes. Motion passed.

Discussion is held regarding fall clean up and leaf pickup. Dates will be put in with the October sewage bills.

An employment advertisement will be placed in the newspaper seeking help with leaf pickup.

The upcoming fall festival is discussed. Councilmember Enoch makes a motion to waive golf court permits and yard sale permits for fall festival weekend. Michael 2nds. All Ayes. Motion passed.

C/T Dinger states that there are two wastewater accounts in need of adjustments for old balances. The total for both accounts is \$132.00. Michael makes a motion to adjust the two wastewater accounts for \$132. Enoch 2nds. All Ayes. Motion passed.

An internal controls meeting is set for Wednesday, October 14 at 6:30 p.m. at town hall.

A yard repair estimate from Ed Rhine for the property behind Washington Street by 5th Street is discussed. The council feels it best to wait until spring for dirt to settle before this work is done.

Hammond makes a motion to adjourn the meeting. Enoch 2nds. All Ayes. Meeting adjourned.

Dale Steven Michael, Council President

ATTEST: Karen Dinger, Clerk-Treasurer