Minutes of Regular Town Council Meeting

Whitestown, Indiana **June 14, 2011**

Public Meeting called to order at **6:30 pm** followed by **roll call**; Dawn Semmler, Susan Austin, Jason Tribby, Kevin Russell and Julie Whitman all present; and then **Pledge.**

Public Hearing: Consideration of US Dept. of Agriculture-Rural Development Financial Assistance for purposes of constructing water and wastewater utility improvements – Cozy Lane – Royalton area. **Dawn S** opens the floor for comments or issues. No response. **Susan A m/m** to close the public hearing at 6:35 pm; **Jason T 2nd, vote 5-0, motion carried.**

Dawn S calls the Whitestown Town Council Meeting to order at 6:36 pm; Roll Call Dawn Semmler, Susan Austin, Jason Tribby, Kevin Russell and Julie Whitman all present;

Approval of minutes: April 12, 2011 and May 10, 2011. Julie W noted one correction on the April 10, 2011 minutes. **Susan m/m** to adopt the minutes from the April 12, 2011 meeting with amendment as stated, **Jason T 2nd, vote 5-0, motion carried. Jason T m/m** to adopt the minutes from May 10, 2011 as presented; **Susan A 2nd, vote 5-0, motion carried.**

Agenda change: Kevin R m/m to add a discussion regarding Re-Org committee to old business #5. **Susan A m/m** to also add Certification of Recommendation by Whitestown Plan Commission from Old business to #1 under New Business and table Boone County EDC Update by Dax Norton and add Utility Vehicle replacement as New Business #5; **Kevin R 2nd, vote 5-0, motion carried**

Presentation:
Heritage Trail; Green 3 Landscape Architects; Dawn Kroh; Q&A followed presentation. Digital presentation will be forwarded to Tom Combiths for distribution.

New Business

#1 Certification of Recommendation by Whitestown Plan Commission regarding rezoning with conditions of 17 acres; SR267 and Indianapolis Rd; Mike Janson explains new commitments on Exhibit A; **Jason T** reads Certificate of Recommendations from WPC in full. **Jason T** comments that if this is rezoned; all building will have to go through Whitestown Planning Commission. **Julie W** comments to residents she drove through the neighborhood, she is sorry they weren't involved earlier and after long consideration and hearing all public comments at last meeting; she feels that this is a good step for Whitestown' s growth and will be voting in favor of the rezone change. **Dawn S** reads **Ordinance 2011-11** An Ordinance Rezoning Property and Changing the Zoning Maps of the Town of Whitestown, Indiana in full. **Susan A m/m** to read the 2nd & 3rd reads of **Ordinance 2011-11** by title only, **Julie W 2nd, vote 5-0, motion carried**. Dawn S reads by Title only Ordinance 2011-11 for 2nd & 3rd read. **Jason T asks Mike Janson**: What is the buffer plan? **Janson:** Will hold meeting before anything is built. Discuss ensues. **Dawn S m/m** to adopt **Ordinance 2011-11** An Ordinance Rezoning Property and Changing the Zoning Maps of the Town of Whitestown, Indiana Whitestown Crossing LLC; PC11-005-2A; **Julie W 2nd, vote 5-0, motion carried.**

#2 Consideration of award of Engineering Services contract, Main & Pierce Intersection: Tom Combiths explains grant regarding service contract and a quick summary of what will be done. Discussion ensues. **Jason T m/m** to allow up to $67,600 For Engineering Service Contract and to allow Tom Combiths to sign service agreement; **Kevin R 2nd, vote 5-0, motion carried.**

#3 Draft Sustainability Policy related to Energy Conservation and Environmental Quality: Tom Combiths give brief update on policy; Council to review and discuss at later date.

#4 Consideration of Town of Whitestown Utility Ordinance: Steve Unger gives a brief description of the reason for this Ordinance and future changes that may affect the municipality; **Susan A m/m** to waive the rules and read Ordinance 2011-12 by title all 3 reads Jason T 2nd, **Julie W** requested that it be read once in full; **Jason T** reads **Ordinance 2011-12**, An Ordinance Exercising Jurisdiction Over Water Resources and Controlling and Regulating the Taking Of Water From a Watercourse; **Susan A** withdraw previous motion and make new motion to read Ordinance 2011-12 by title only for 2nd & 3rd read. **Jason T 2nd, vote 5-0, motion carried. Dawn S** reads **Ordinance 2011-12** by title only for 2nd & 3rd reads. **Susan A m/m** to adopt Ordinance 2011-12, An Ordinance Exercising Jurisdiction Over Water Resources and Controlling and Regulating the Taking Of Water From a Watercourse; **Julie W 2nd, vote 5-0, motion carried.**

Susan A m/m move #5 Old Business; Re-Organization Committee Discussion; to New Business #4.5; **Jason T 2nd, vote 5-0, motion carried.**

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#4.5 Kevin R: Mike Martin whom is on the Police Commissioners Board and the Re-Organization Committee has work commitments that are preventing him from attending meetings as needed. Jarred Furarro, 7826 Wedgetail Drive, Zionsville, In wants to be appointed to the Re-Org Committee; **Dawn S** requests council get Mike Martin's resignation in writing and get all of Jarred's information so that it can be submitted to the board. Jarred introduces himself to council and give a brief description of his background. **Jason T m/m** that contingent on the resignation from Mike Martin, council appoint Jarred to the Re-Org Committee, **Susan A 2nd, vote 5-0, motion carried**.

#5 Utility Vehicle Replacements: 4 bids were received on the purchase of a truck for the Utility Department Operations Manager Kevin Servies; Kevin's current truck will be handed down to Jason Lawson; Kevin Servies is asking council to consider $22,900 to spend on the truck. Discuss ensue between council. **Susan A m/m** to approve purchase of the truck from the utility and to allocate ½ from water and ½ from Sewer, **Kevin R 2nd, vote 5-0, motion carried.**

Old Business

#1 Accounting Software; Jason T advises a decision needs to be made; He feels that in his opinion Frey is best way for us to go; Discussion ensues regarding costs and payment options; **Dawn S m/m** for **Jason T** to go back to Frey and negotiate the entire package for all departments in order to take advantage of the 20% discount with approval to spend up to $95,000; **Susan A 2nd, vote 5-0, motion carried. Jason T** requests that once package is negotiated, it is discussed for final approval. Financing is discussed.

#2 Town Vehicle Purchases; Tom Combiths updates council on the quotes received for two new vehicles for the Clerk Treasurer and the Town Manager; **Julie W m/m** to authorize **Tom Combiths** to spend up to $24,000, **Kevin R 2nd, vote 5-0, motion carried.** 2011 Focus

#3 Town Civic Facilities Master Plan; Council decided to hold a separate meeting to be held Tuesday June 21, 2011 @ 6:30 pm to discuss the Town Civic Facilities Master Plan; Dan with GRW gave brief presentation on Master Plan.

Susan A m/m to add CF-1's to agenda; **Kevin R 2nd, vote 5-0, motion carried. Dawn S** gives council and update on the Company's filing for tax abatement; Several of the employers are severely underperforming; discussion ensues regarding abatements; **Options available**; **Opt 1**: let it roll for 1 year, economic times **Opt 2**: Not in Compliance Notice in 45 days, **Opt 3**: Letter to Inform. **Susan A m/m** to send Letter of acknowledgement without formal action, **Jason T 2nd, vote 5-0, motion carried**.

Tom Combiths updates council on departmental operations.

Jason T m/m to close Whitestown Town Council meeting pending signing of claims **Susan 2nd, vote 5-0, motion carried.**

The minutes from a Regular Town Council meeting on June 14, 2011 are approved on the 12th day of July 2011 by the following Town Council Members:

Dawn Semmler, President

Susan Austin

Jason Tribby

Julie Whitman

Kevin Russell

ATTEST:

Deb Zachelmeyer, Clerk Treasurer

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