Whitestown Town Council Meeting
February 10, 2016

Eric M calls the February 10, 2016, Town Council Meeting to order at 7:04 pm. **Roll Call**: Susan Austin, Clinton Bohm, Eric Miller, Kevin Russell, Jeff Wishek; Present. Presentation of Colors; **Pledge.**

PRESENTATIONS

A. Recognition and swearing in of incoming Town Court Judge **Alexis Sumner** by Deputy Clerk **Shannon Metzger**.
B. Recognition of former Town Council Member Julie Whitman. **Kevin R** made motion to present proclamation to Julie W, **Susan A** 2nd. Vote 5-0, motion carried.
C. Eagle Scout Recognition – **Kevin R** made motion to present proclamation to Mitchell Thompson, Joshua Martin, Luther Rice, Andrew Martin; Susan A 2nd. Vote 5-0, motion passed.
    a. **Kevin R** read a letter written to each scout from Congresswoman Susan Brooks.

CLERK/TREASURER REPORT

Town Management Report has not been received by Reedy Financial as of the time of the meeting.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Written reports presented to council from Department Heads; Department of Public Works and Parks and Recreation had nothing to report. **Clinton B** questioned Planning and Community Development Director **Lauren Bailey** on Comprehensive Plan reconciling with EDO. **Lauren B** stated plan were simple and straightforward, but in the future she will include them in her report.

PUBLIC REQUEST TO SPEAK

Eric M opened the floor to public comment. No public comments.

CONSENT AGENDA

A. Approval of Minutes: 1/13/2016 Meeting Minutes; 1/22/2016 Meeting Minutes; 1/28/2016 Meeting Minutes.
B. Claims Expenses Town/ Revenues Town/Utility Claims

Susan A made motion to adopt consent agenda:

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Kevin R 2nd. Vote 5-0, ***motion passed***.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. PUBLIC HEARING ORDINANCE 2016-01

a. An Ordinance Annexing Territory to Whitestown and Placing the Same Within the Corporate Boundaries Thereof and Making the Same a Part of Whitestown (Hackett Super-Voluntary Annexation)(Public Hearing Only – No Vote)
    i. No Public Comment
    i. **Eric M** made motion to close, **Clinton B** 2nd. Vote 5-0. ***Motion adopted***.

B. RESOLUTION 2016-07

a. Consider a Fiscal Policy Resolution for Annexing Contiguous Territory to Whitestown (Hackett Super-Voluntary Annexation)
    i. No public comment. **Susan A** made a motion to adopt, **Clinton B** 2nd. Vote 5-0, ***motion adopted***.

C. Approval of revised meeting minutes:
    a. 12.10.2015 Regular Town Council Meeting
        i. **Kevin R** made motion to approve, Clinton B 2nd. Vote 5-0, ***motion passed***.
    b. 12.30.2015 Special Council Meeting
        i. **Kevin R** made motion to approve, **Clinton B** 2nd. Vote 5-0, ***motion passed***.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Presentation - Town Clerk Transition Plan

a. **Kevin R** made a motion to tabled, **Susan A** 2nd. Vote 5-0, motion passed.

B. Public Hearing – Ordinance 2016-04

a. Consideration of Ordinance Approving an Additional Appropriation for Parks (Farm Heritage Trail, Feasibility Study)
    i. No public comment

ii. Not for Feasibility Study
iii. **Eric M** made motion to close Public Hearing, **Susan A** 2nd. Vote 5-0, ***motion passed*** and ***Public Hearing closed at 7:26pm***.
iv. **Kevin R** asked to clarify if it included feasibility study. **Parks and Recreation Director Nathan Messer** answered questions of the transfer of the appropriation; $40K was approved out of park impact fees. Department of Natural Resources (DNR) will reimburse for trail later.
v. **Eric M** to the Parks Board that such requests should come from the board, not a staff member, since it is a governing body.
vi. **Clinton B** did first read, **Susan A** made motion to suspend 2nd reading rules. **Clinton B** 2nd. Vote 5-0, ***rules suspended***.
vii. **Susan A** made motion to accept Ordinance 2016-04, **Clinton B** 2nd motion. Vote 5-0, ***Ordinance 2016-04 passed***.

C. Consideration of an Ordinance Amending Ordinance 2008-12: An Ordinance Prohibiting Smoking in Public Places

a. Includes all Town property – including parks
b. Includes electronic cigarettes and cigars
c. **Kevin R** questioned if there would be a fine schedule for violations.
    1. $50 per violation. **Town Counsel Steven Unger** stated this is the norm.
    2. **Kevin R** asked if we could go to a progressive fine for repeat offenders.
        a. **Steve U** stated a progressive fine only to business owners allowing it.
    3. **Susan A** made motion to suspend rules of 2nd reading, **Clinton B** 2nd. Vote 5-0, ***motion passed***.
    4. **Susan A** made motion to pass Ordinance 2016-05, **Clinton B** 2nd. Vote 5-02, ***Ordinance 216-05 adopted***.

D. Consideration of Ordinance Amending Ordinance 2015-27: An Ordinance Establishing Wages and Salaries for the Town

a. Read by **Clinton B**
b. Suggested it be adopted based on Planning Commission needing to meet more and providing more service needed due to Town growth
c. **Kevin R** agreed and requested we make it retroactive to 1/1/2016.
    i. **Clinton B** asked for clarification from **Steve U**; **Steve U** said it could be paid retroactive as long as it did not exceed the earnings amount.
d. **Kevin R** made motion to suspend rule for 2nd reading, **Clinton B** 2nd. Vote 5-0, ***motion passed to suspend rules***.
a. **Clinton B** made motion to pass Ordinance 2016-06, **Susan A** 2nd. Vote 5-0, ***Ordinance 2016-06 adopted***.

E. ***Consider a Resolution Concerning Volunteering by Town Employees***
   a. **Susan A** made motion to adopt, **Clinton B** 2nd. Vote 5-0, ***Resolution 2016-08 adopted.***
F. ***Consider a Resolution Urging the Indiana General Assembly to Provide Additional Excess Levy Relief for Fast-Growing Communities***
   a. **Susan A** did first read and made motion to adopt, **Clinton B** 2nd. Vote 5-0, ***Resolution 2016-09 adopted***.
G. ***Consider a Resolution Ordering the Indiana General Assembly to Protect the Combined Use of Tax Increment Financing and Tax Abatement as Local Economic Development Tools***
   a. **Clinton B** did first read and made motion to adopt, **Susan A** 2nd. Voted 5-0, ***Resolution 2016-10 adopted***.
H. ***Consider a Resolution Urging the Indiana General Assembly to Increase Local Street and Road Funding***
   a. **Susan A** did first read and made motion to adopt, **Clinton B** 2nd. Vote 5-0, ***Resolution 2016-11 adopted***.
I. ***Consider a Resolution Concerning a Long-Term Capital Improvement Place Task Force.***
   a. **Clinton B** did the first read. **Susan A** made a motion to adopt, **Clinton B** 2nd. Vote 5-0, ***Resolution 2016-12 adopted***.
J. ***Consider a Resolution Concerning the Development of Internal Control Standards***
   a. **Susan A** did first read. **Clinton B** made motion to adopt, **Susan A** 2nd. Vote 5-0, ***Resolution 2016-13 adopted.***
K. ***Consideration Approval of Low Bid Recommendation for the I-65/Exit 130 Project***
   a. **Dax N** recommends Council approve the low bid of $1,080,000.00 from Calumet pending receipt of the certified bid tab and the INDOT funding commitment letter.
      i. Have permit from the state already.
      ii. **Susan A** asked if it is just for actual construction, and **Dax N** said "yes."
      iii. **Kevin R** wanted to know when ground could be broke.
      iv. **Kevin R** wanted clarification if work would be done at night.
      v. **Susan A** questioned if there were penalties for missing deadlines.
   b. **Susan A** made motion to accept bid, **Clinton B** 2nd. Vote 5-0, ***bid accepted***.
L. ***Discuss Community Center Feasibility Study RFQ***
   a. RFQS
      i. **Kevin R** questioned who requested RFQs, and **Nathan M** replied the Parks did.
   b. **Susan A** made motion to table due to budget needing cut and also due to discussions being made and not everyone involved in those discuss. **Eric M** stated that was smart to do if needing to cut funds. **Susan A** stated needed an internal discussion. ***Kevin R*** concerned if RFQ has an aquatic center and needing

something different, like an ice rink. ***Clinton B*** 2nd and though likes comments, he would like to hear more from the Parks Board on this and get input from the appropriate people. Vote 5-0, ***motioned adopted to table***.

M. Consider Appointments to Boards and Commissions:

a. Historic Preservation Commission – 1 appointment:
   i. Jeff Abers
      5. **Eric M** made motion, **Susan A** 2nd. Vote 5-0, ***appointment passed***.

b. Human Relations Commission – 2 appointments:
   i. Neil Rodgers
   ii. Sheri Williams
      1. **Eric M** made motion to appoint, **Clinton B** 2nd. Vote 5-0, ***appointments passed.***

Updates

A. Infrastructure Projects

a. Median moving on schedule despite weather. **Kevin R** thought there would be a left hand turn. **Dax N** stated for safety there is no turn lane because it would be too dangerous because of being so close to light. Signage will be allowed. Discussions underway with REMC on lighting the median with LED lights.
b. Access road open and complete, but needs a name.
c. Round-about
   i. **Dan C, Jason L**, and **Brian** went to meeting regarding. Funding is moving forward.
   ii. Getting closer to land acquisition.

B. Indianapolis Road Trail

a. **Jason L, Dax N** and **Nathan M** discussed way to fund trail and feel it could be done under $140K
b. **Steve U** will review IRS money and eligibility
c. New neighborhood could possibly bring in $80K in park impact revenue fees to use Town Hall Bond.

C. Town Hall Bond

a. Showed latest improvement in Public Hall, including ADA devices
b. Camera will go live stream
c. Dumpster enclosure quote
   i. 1st Due Company
      1. **Dax N** requested approval for payment
      2. Reason for enclosure is to comply with our own codes
      3. **Eric M** made motion to pay, **Clinton B** 2nd. Vote 5-0, ***motion passed.***

D. ***Perry Worth Bond***
E. ***Maple Grove Bond***
    a. Access road
    b. Parking lot
    c. Median
    d. Comprehensive plan
        i. Work with Dr. Scott from Purdue University
F. ***Legacy Core Plan***
    a. Sidewalk and alley issue
    b. Thanks to **Lauren B** and **Dave T** for helping getting homes cleaned up
    c. 1782 Notice
        i. Original is completely wrong and has been last 3 years.
        ii. Response sent back and answered.
        iii. Approved budget given to council.
        iv. **Dax N** referred council to Budget Book Form 4
            1. $4.379M approved
            2. Money needs to be cut from what was proposed in October 2015
            3. **Dax N** and **Chief of Police Dennis Anderson** met and made those cuts
                a. Will get info to council
            4. Overall good news on budget
            5. 1.21 to 1.09 – 10% tax decrease
            6. **Kevin R** asked if our tax cut was lower than surrounding communities; **Dax N** said hasn't received final news on that as of yet.

Eric M made motion to adjorn the meeting at 8:15pm, **Susan A** 2nd. Vote 5-0, **motion carried**.

The minutes from a Regular Town Council meeting on February 10, 2016, are approved on the 9th day of March, 2016, by the following Town Council Members:

Eric Miller, President	**Susan Austin**
Clinton Bohm	**Jeff Whishek**
Kevin Russell	ATTEST:
	Shannon Metzger, Deputy Clerk