

Meeting of the Town Council of Huntertown Indiana
April 6, 2020 6 p.m.
Huntertown Town Hall, 15617 Lima Road

A virtual meeting of the Huntertown Town Council was held on Monday, April 6, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. The council used the Zoom App to conduct the meeting. Present at Huntertown Town Hall were Council President Michael Aker. Also present at Town Hall were Clerk-Treasurer Ryan Schwab, Town Manager Beth Shellman and Huntertown Resource Officer Kevin Surface. Present via the Zoom App were council members Patricia Freck (audio only); Brandon Seifert, Michael Stamets. Also present via the Zoom App was Town Engineer Derek Frederickson of Engineering Resources Inc. Absent was council member Gary Grant. There was no media or members of the public present.

Michael Aker called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Michael Aker suspended the regular meeting at 6:02 p.m. and opened a Public Hearing for the Fairgrounds Annexation Area. Patricia Freck made a motion to extend the public hearing to the May 18, 2020 meeting. Brandon Seifert seconded. Beth Shellman explained that per advice from Town Attorney Dave Heck, since these public hearing were advertised for this date, and with Huntertown Town Hall being closed to the public because of the Covid-19 related stay-at-home order; the process for the town would be to extend the public hearing to a future date when members of the public can be physically present. The town will revisit this decision based any future changes to the stay-at-home order. Shellman said she will update the timeline for the annexation and other annexations to have hearings later in the meeting and provide that detail to council at a future meeting. After no further discussion, the motion passed, 4-0. Michael Aker closed the public hearing at 6:04 p.m.

Michael Aker opened a Public Hearing for the Estates of Twin Eagles Annexation Area. Brandon Seifert made a motion to extend the public hearing to the May 18, 2020 meeting. Michael Stamets seconded. Motion passed, 4-0. Michael Aker closed the public hearing at 6:06 p.m.

Michael Aker opened a Public Hearing for the Cliffs of Rolling Oaks Voluntary Annexation. Patricia Freck made a motion to extend the public hearing to the May 18, 2020 meeting. Michael Stamets seconded. Motion passed, 4-0. Michael Aker closed the public hearing at 6:07 p.m.

Michael Aker reconvened the regular meeting at 6:07 p.m.

COUNCIL ACTION

Brandon Seifert made a motion to approve the minutes from the March 2, 2020 regular meeting. Patricia Freck seconded. Motion passed, 4-0.

Patricia Freck made a motion to approve the minutes from the March 25, 2020 Joint special meeting with the Utility Service Board. Brandon Seifert seconded. Motion passed, 4-0.

Patricia Freck made a motion to approve the general, water and sewer claims dated March 16, 2020 in the amount of \$253,409.83. Brandon Seifert seconded. Patricia Freck asked for clarification on two claims; 1) a claim to the Courtyard Marriott in Muncie and 2) a claim for towing service on a town vehicle. She asked why the claims were not split three ways, among the general, water and sewer utility. Clerk-Treasurer Ryan Schwab explained that he only wanted to take one check the Marriott for his stay during the ILMCT Institute & Academy. He could make bank transfers to ensure that each bank paid its portion of the claim if the council wished. The claim for towing occurred because a town vehicle was stuck in a snow embankment while snowplowing and since the incident occurred while snow plowing, only the MVH fund needed to pay for the claim. He would make the necessary bank transfers if the council wished. Council did not alter its original motion. After no further discussion, the motion passed, 4-0.

Michael Stamets made a motion to approve the general, water and sewer claims dated April 6, 2020 in the amount of \$275,594.61. Patricia Freck seconded. Motion passed, 4-0.

Patricia Freck made a motion to approve the Huntertown Redevelopment Commission's Annual Report as presented. Bandon Seifert seconded. Motion passed, 4-0.

Brandon Seifert made a motion to adopt Huntertown Ordinance 2020-007, an Ordinance to amend Chapter 154 of the Town of Huntertown, State of Indiana, Ordinance. Patricia Freck seconded. Motion passed 4-0.

Michael Stamets made a motion to adopt Huntertown Ordinance 2020-008, an Ordinance of the Huntertown Town Council, State of Indiana, amending Ordinance No. 04-002 by adding an Enforcement Section for violations thereof. Patricia Freck seconded. Motion passed, 4-0.

Patricia Freck made a motion to approve a quote from API for crack-sealing in a not-to-exceed amount of \$12,000. Michael Stamets seconded. Motion passed, 4-0.

NEW BUSINESS

Outside of items listed under Council Action, no New Business was brought forth.

OLD BUSINESS

Outside of items listed under Council Action, no Old Business was brought forth.

REPORTS

Michael Aker reported that the Town Hall closure would remain in effect until May 5, 2020.

Kevin Surface had no report

Ryan Schwab had no report

Beth Shellman provided the council with a handout and highlighted the following items:

- The town's yard waste site, located adjacent to the Utility Shop at 1640 W. Cedar Canyon Road is changing its hours and is now open from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- Hydrant Flushing will begin soon and a schedule will be sent to residents.
- The town has collected applications for 31 Hometown Hero banners. She is also having 35 "Welcome to Huntertown Banners" made to accompany the Hometown Hero banners. She plans on having the banners hang for two years. Patricia Freck asked about these banners hanging at the same time other Holiday decorations are hanging and how it will look. Shellman said she does plan to intertwine the banners, but if it presents a look the town does not support, then the amount of time they are hanging can be revisited.

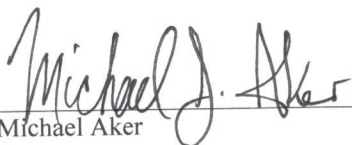
Derek Frederickson had no report.

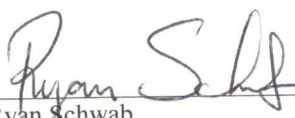
PUBLIC COMMENT

None were brought forth.

Patricia Freck made a motion to adjourn. Brandon Seifert seconded. The motion passed with a voice vote and the meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

Attest:


Michael Aker
President


Ryan Schwab
Clerk Treasurer