

Special Meeting of the Town Council of Huntertown Indiana
May 18, 2020 5:00 p.m.
Huntertown Town Hall, 15617 Lima Road

A special virtual meeting of the Huntertown Town Council was held on Monday, May 18, 2020 at 5:00 p.m. The meeting was held at 15617 Lima Road, Huntertown, IN, 46748 and utilized the Zoom app. In attendance at Huntertown Town Hall were council members Michael Aker (P); and Patricia Freck; Clerk-Treasurer Ryan Schwab; and Town Manager Beth Shellman. In attendance using the Zoom app were council members Gary Grant, Brandon Seifert and Michael Stamets; Water Plant Operator Gabe Brindle; Derek Frederickson of Engineering Resources Inc.; Stephen Carter of Krohn & Associates; two (2) members of the public and one reporter.

Michael Aker called the meeting to order at 5:02 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

COUNCIL ACTION

Michael Stamets made a motion to advertise an ordinance to add capital surcharges to the water and wastewater utilities in the amount of \$15 for a 15-year time period. Gary Grant seconded. Stephen Carter opened the discussion to seek a decision based on his presentation at the May 4, 2020 meeting. The Utility Service Board had approved a recommendation to the council for capital surcharges of \$10 per utility for a 15-year period, which was Carter's recommendation in his presentation. Council members wanted to increase the surcharge to \$15 per utility but were uncertain if the time period for the surcharge should be 10- or 15-years. Utility Board members Mark Burnworth and Kerri Garvin were present and offered insight on the position of the utility board. Council discussion covered the following topics: increasing the surcharge and the years the ordinance covers; retiring water bonds early and its impact on capital projects; adding a sunset clause to the ordinance; projects the surcharge would benefit; and the idea of advertising the ordinance high so it can be adjusted following a public hearing. After no further discussion, the motion passed, 5-0.

NEW BUSINESS

No new business was presented.

OLD BUSINESS

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

REPORTS

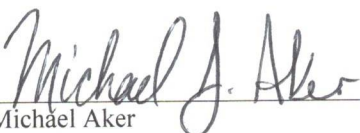
Derek Frederickson of Engineering Resources Inc. reported that he is discussing the framework of an agreement with developer Jeff Thomas on an estimated \$2.1 million sanitary sewer main project. Frederickson suggested a joint meeting with both the Town Council and the Utility Service Board to develop an agreement. He suggested a meeting in early June. Council and Utility Board members agreed to the need for a meeting but no date was set.

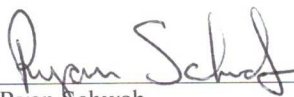
PUBLIC COMMENT

None was brought forth

Brandon Seifert made a motion to adjourn. Michael Stamets seconded. Motion passed with a voice vote and the meeting adjourned at 5:52 p.m.

Attest:


Michael Aker
President


Ryan Schwab
Clerk Treasurer