

**TOWN OF MEDARYVILLE
MONTHLY MEETING
October 21, 2015**

The Town Council of Medaryville held a Final Budget Adoption on October 21, 2015 at 6:15 pm just prior to the regularly scheduled Council meeting.

Council President Hager presented Ordinance 2015-09-01, **Ordinance for Appropriations and Tax Rate**, second by Council Members Hauptli and Schultz.
Motion was carried with a vote of 3 yes 0 no.

The Town of Medaryville met in regular session on October 21, 2015 at 6:30 pm with the following members present:

Carolyn Hager	Council President
Corrie Hauptli	Council Vice President
Robert Schultz	Council Member
Judy Harwood	Clerk Treasurer
Jackie Hines	Deputy Clerk
Brian Gaillard	Chief Town Marshal
Keith Hauptli	Maintenance Supervisor
Amber Lapaich	Town Attorney

Minutes:

The public reading of the minutes was waived this month; copies of the minutes were made available for the Council and the public to read prior to the meeting and also available on the Town's website (medaryville.net). Copies are on file in the Clerk Treasurer's office.

September Council minutes

Council Member Hauptli made a motion to approve the minutes from the September 2015 Council Meeting, second by Council Member Schultz.

Motion was carried with a vote of 3 yes 0 no.

Claims:

Council Member Hauptli made the motion to approve claims as presented for September 2015, second by Council Member Schultz.

Motion was carried with a vote of 3 yes 0 no.

Town Issues:

Mr. Tuttle/drain tile tabled from September

Council President Hager had requested to table this discussion until the Town's Attorney could further investigate a more formal way that allows residents to tie into the Town's storm water drainage. Town Attorney Lapaich reported to the Council because the Town's storm water drainage empties into County maintained ditches there is a statute to follow that any resident seeking to tie into the Town's storm drains must go before the County Drainage Board. The

Drainage Board meets every 3rd Monday of the month and they must request to be placed on the agenda. There is a possibility that if they do tie into the drain tile they might be assessed a drainage maintenance fee. If there are any crossings on Town right of way they must come and ask permission from the Town Council.

Robert Schultz/unlawful deposits, Ordinance 2009-05-01,7

Council Member Schultz presented to the Council pictures of a property that he has been receiving numerous complaints for the Town to do something. Council Attorney Lapaich advised if any person shall violate the provisions of the ordinance, the Town may send a written ten (10) day notice to remove existing refuse or the Town can abate the refuse that is causing the public health, safety, and welfare of the Town. The Town could serve a citation and seek a fine for such violation in Court. All Council Members were in agreement to send a letter.

Council Member Schultz also feels residents need to bring such places to the Council so it can be taken care of before the property gets bad. Council Member Hauptli asked if someone from the public comes to the Council with a complaint outside of a meeting and because we have an ordinance, can a council member just call the Town Hall to have the property investigated and if clearly in violation send the letter. Council Member Schultz feels all complaints should be reviewed by the Council and a Town officer be sent to investigate and document with pictures followed with a letter.

Utility Report:

The Town received a letter from the Pulaski County Auditor that pursuant to I.C. 6-1.1-25-4.6(g), and Pursuant to I.C. 6-1.1-24-5, also I.C. 6-1.1-24-10 that the following taxes and special assessments on the said property were, by law, to be included and guaranteed by the county treasurer in the sell price at the tax sale, and are hereby forgiven.....

Council Member Hauptli made the motion for the adjustment of the amount of \$396.00 for account #1070000 and #141300 due to property being sold in a tax auction by the County, second by Council Member Schultz.

Motion was carried with a vote of 3 yes 0 no.

Council Member Hauptli made the motion for account #107000 in the amount of \$1127.37, account #107001 in the amount \$787.50, account #141300 in the amount of \$1096.50, account #141302 in the amount of \$247.50 in the total amount of \$3258.87, due to a County tax auction, second by Council Member Schultz.

Motion was carried with a vote of 3 yes 0 no.

Council Member Hauptli made the motion for Parcel #66-13-05-142-006.000-019 in the lien amount of \$838.00 and Parcel #66-13-247-002.000-019 in the lien amount of \$713.00 to be written off with the total amount of \$1551.00 for weed and grass adjustments due to a tax auction.

Motion was carried with a vote of 3 yes 0 no.

Town Marshal:

Monthly stats were handed in prior to the Council meeting.

Abandoned vehicles

Council President Hager commented she is pleased to see several abandoned vehicles have been removed. Town Marshal Gaillard reported he still has two vehicles to revisit and hopefully will be finished by the end of the year.

Council Member Hauptli questioned on an abandoned vehicle that met all the criteria but was pulled half way into a garage. Town Marshal Gaillard had tagged the vehicle for removal and you can clearly see it was pulled into the garage but it extends four (4) foot outside of the garage. Town Attorney Lapaich will investigate further on the vehicle and will inform the Town Marshal on how to proceed.

Council Member Schultz is concerned on how long a vehicle can sit on a property for sale, he feels the Council should address the ordinance to place a time limit. The ordinance guidelines that the Town follows mirrors the state but the Town can be more restrictive with an amendment to the ordinance.

Council Member Schultz would also like to have the Town follow up with inoperable boats. On the west side of Town a large boat has been sitting unmoved for several months. He would like the Town to research if the current abandoned vehicle ordinance would apply or the ordinance of unlawful trash. Council Attorney will look further into what could apply to address the boat.

Invitation

West Central Superintendent, Donald Street is applying for a grant and has invited our agency to come and sit with the Eastern Pulaski agencies in planning a safety plan, Marshal Gaillard will report more to the Council at next month.

Repair to Police Vehicle

The Town police vehicle was serviced October 13, 2015 and was asked to investigate a noise in the front passenger side. It was found the lower control arm on the passenger side was making the noise and an estimate of \$300 was submitted.

Council Member Hauptli made the motion to allow the Police Department to have the necessary repairs made to the Police vehicle, second by Council Member Schultz.

Motion was carried with a vote of 3 yes 0 no.

Maintenance Supervisor:

Recommendation for hire

An application to hire another part time employee for the maintenance department was submitted by Maintenance Supervisor Hauptli.

Council Member Hauptli made the motion to allow Maintenance Supervisor Hauptli to hire Robert Baker as a part time employee, second by Council Member Schultz.

Motion was carried with a vote of 3 yes 0 no.

Scrap metal

Council Member Hauptli made the motion to allow Maintenance Supervisor Hauptli to take the materials from the replacement of the street signs and poles to scrap, and for the Clerk Treasurer to deposit the funds into Local Roads and Street Fund, second by Council Member Schultz.

Motion was carried with a vote of 3 yes 0 no.

IDEM inspection

On September 30, 2015, a representative of the Indiana Department of Environmental Management conducted an inspection of Medaryville Water Company. Some deficiencies were found and when the report comes he will submit copies to all Council Members.

Telemetry control system

Last month the quotes were submitted to the Council for review for a new telemetry system for the well house and elevated tank. Maintenance Supervisor Hauptli requested for more additional time to review and seek consultation from McMahon. John Sturgill, General Manager of McMahon submitted a letter of recommendation based on their review of the two proposals from MB Controls, LLC and BL Anderson Company, they recommend selecting Option #1 of the BL Anderson Company quote.

Council Member Hauptli made the motion to allow Maintenance Supervisor Hauptli to hire BL Anderson Company to supply the new telemetry control system at the well house and elevated tank at \$6,774 to be paid out of the Water Replacement fund, second by Council Member Schultz.

Motion was carried with a vote of 3 yes 0 no.

Damage to fire hydrant

Underground Pipe & Valve, Inc. replaced the hydrant that was damaged August 1, 2015 at the cost of \$2,592.00.

Council Member Schultz made the motion to send the claim for the replacement of the hydrant to the owner's vehicle insurance company with the police report, second by Council Member Hauptli.

Motion was carried with a vote of 3 yes 0 no.

Lagoon Update:

Maintenance Supervisor Hauptli reported construction on the lagoon started Tuesday, October 20, 2015 and he notified our Town Officers to patrol the area.

Report from McMahon to IDEM

An email was sent from IDEM for an update on the status of construction of the Bio-Dome treatment system. By the records to the approved Compliance Plan, construction should have

been completed by September 30, 2015. John Sturgill, General Manager of McMahan responded construction is in progress but had some delay in equipment lead times for the solar equipment that has delayed progress. He is waiting for a construction schedule update based on the lead times from the contractor and will forward them to IDEM.

Fence row tree removal quote

John Sturgill, General Manager of McMahan, received a recommendation from the solar panel supplier to remove the existing trees located along the South property line of the waste stabilization lagoon site, as this will improve long term panel exposure to sunlight. John Sturgill obtained a price from Gaskill and Walton to remove these additional trees, the estimate exceeded \$6,000. John Sturgill asked the Town's Maintenance to obtain prices locally in hopes a more cost effective solution could be obtained. Leroy's Tree Service submitted a quote of \$2,500 to cut down 100 yards fence row with no charge to chip up brush. They will leave fire wood with no stump grinding, but will seal all stumps.

Council Member Hauptli made the motion to allow Leroy Tree Service to remove the 100 yard fence row trees with a quote of \$2,500 to be paid out of Sewer Operating, second by Council Member Schultz.

Motion was carried with a vote of 3 yes 0 no

Claim Wastewater CDBG WW-13-105

Council Member Hauptli made the motion for the Town Clerk Treasurer to pay Town claim vouchers #8125 and #8126 to Gaskill & Walton from invoice #7180-1724 in the amount of \$38,817, and a transfer claim voucher #8127 withholding retainage of \$763, payable upon five (5) days of notification of the eft, second by Council Member Schultz.

Motion was carried with a vote of 3 yes 0 no

Unfinished Business:

Library request for handicapped parking

Council President Hager received an e-mail from MacKenzie Ledley, Executive Director of Pulaski County Public Library. A library patron from the Medaryville Branch contacted the Director in Winamac about the lack of a handicap parking space outside of the library. She is asking if the Town would consider designating a space for handicap parking along the street.

After a great deal of discussion Council President Hager suggested the Council to revisit this discussion at a later date, all were in favor.

Update for Tornado siren

Pulaski County Emergency Management Director, Sheri Gaillard submitted some questions to Wendy Justice, Manufacturer Representative of Federal Signal, for a better understanding of the installation of the Siren. She asked does the Town have to identify a location for the installation or will the installers, and if a new power source is required does the Town hire a contractor or will there be an electrician with the install group?

Maintenance Supervisor Hauptli explained the siren will be installed on a 50 foot pole and the Town will have to provide power source to the pole. If the Town decides to run off of the backup generator, they will have to have an electrician run the power from the building. Maintenance Supervisor Hauptli has requested Complete Electric to look at the situation and to see if we can tie into our existing power source or pay to have a drop from the overhead utility lines. He will also have Complete Electric submit a quote for a backup generator for the Town Hall by the next Council Meeting.

Town Park Bathrooms

Council President Hager requested to discuss the Park bathrooms at next month's meeting.

New Business:

Letter of Resignation

Council President Hager read the letter of resignation from Robert Conner as President of the Medaryville Baseball Program.

Renewal of Town insurance

Clerk Treasurer Harwood submitted to the Council the renewal coverage with Bliss McKnight and a proposal submitted by Novonty Insurance. Council Members reviewed the information and decided they need more time to look over the price differences and will make a decision by next Council Meeting.

Salary and Employee Benefits

Clerk Treasurer Harwood submitted copies of salary ordinance 2016-01-01, and Employee Benefits 2016-01-02 for the Council to review for the first reading.

The first reading of **Salary Ordinance 2016-01-01** was placed on hold for consideration and to rewrite to change Maintenance Supervisor from hourly wage to salary.

Council President Hager gave the first reading of Ordinance **2016-01-02, Employee Benefits**

Council Member Schultz made the motion to accept the first reading of **Employee Benefits 2016-01-02**, second by Council Member Hauptli.

Motion was carried with a vote of 3 yes 0 no.

With nothing further to discuss, Council Member Hauptli made a motion to adjourn the October 2015 monthly Town Council meeting, second by Council Member Schultz.

Motion was carried with a vote of 3 yes 0 no.

Council President, Carolyn Hager

Council Vice President, Corrie Hauptli

Council Member, Robert Schultz

Attest: Clerk Treasurer, Judy Harwood