

OSSIAN TOWN COUNCIL – Special Meeting
April 7, 2015 - 3:00 p.m. Ossian Town Hall – 507 North Jefferson

Council President, Brad Pursley called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. with Council members Bill Dowty and Tom Neuenschwander present. Bill Miller and Josh Barkley were absent.

Pursley opened bids for the street project as follows:

Brooks Construction	\$103,757.00
E & B Paving	\$122,078.51
Wayne Asphalt	\$ 95,386.00

Bids for the sidewalk project were:

Newell Construction	\$ 18,000.00	Craig Street
	\$ 16,400.00	Metts Street
	\$ 3,970.00	Mill & Roe Streets
	<u>\$ 5,000.00</u>	Misc.
	\$ 44,230.00	Total

Liter Concrete	\$ 10,578.00	Craig Street
	\$ 10,578.00	Metts Street
	\$ 3,016.00	Mill & Roe Streets
	<u>\$ 5,000.00</u>	Misc.
	\$ 29,172.00	Total

Jim Breckler of Engineering Resources will review the bids and make a recommendation to Council at the regular council meeting on April 13.

Neuenschwander moved to adjourn. Dowty seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 3:15 p.m.

OSSIAN TOWN COUNCIL – Regular Meeting
April 13, 2015 - 7:00 p.m. Ossian Town Hall – 507 North Jefferson

Council President, Brad Pursley called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with Council members Bill Miller, Josh Barkley, Bill Dowty and Tom Neuenschwander present.

Neuenschwander moved to approve the minutes of the March meetings. Dowty seconded. Passed 5-0

There were no questions or comments from Ossian residents.

OSSIAN STORMWATER BOARD
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 18, 2015

The Ossian Stormwater Board meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. Stormwater Board members present included Tim Miller - President, Rose Barrick - V.P. Also attending: Luann Martin, Town Manager, Bill Miller - Town Council, Glen Werling of The News-Banner, Jim Breckler, P.E., of Engineering Resources, local residents Mike Lampton, John Fosnight and granddaughter Cassie Koughn, Mike Turner, and Brian Bailey. Dennis Ramey – Secretary, was absent on vacation.

Minutes Approval ----- Rose made a motion to approve the minutes for the Stormwater meeting held on February 25, 2015, Tim second, vote was 2-0 to approve.

Old Business

- **Smith Drain – Haldrup Inc., Industrial Park** ----- Rose raised a question about a recent news article stating that Haldrup has requested to modify its original drainage plan connecting to Smith Drain. Jim Breckler, ER, Bill Miller, and Luann provided information concerning recent conversations concerning the details of the request. The

topic is tabled at the present time. Jim and Luann said they would inform the SW Board if a plan is submitted that would create future problems for the area.

- **Roe St. project -----** Jim informed the group that the range of bids for this project were from \$110K to \$244K. The lowest bidder, Wisel Enterprises of Roanoke, IN, Jim said he checked on Wisel's references, including the City of Fort Wayne, and all contacts were positive. Wisel has worked with tile sizes up 54". Since this bid came in well below the \$155K limit, Rose brought up the possibility of including a new section of tile up to the wet area at Ogden Place. This has been discussed in the past. Jim had some preliminary figures already calculated at \$20 to \$21K. All agreed that this would be cost effective as Wisel would already be on site with equipment and manpower.

Rose made a motion to recommend to Town Council the contract for Roe St. SW improvement to Wisel Enterprises LLC of Roanoke, bid at \$110,052.80. Tim second, 2-0.

Rose made a motion to recommend to Town Council that ER provide an inspector as needed on this jobsite for an amount not to exceed \$10K. Tim second, 2-0.

Rose made a motion to recommend to Town Council that ER complete the design work, not to exceed 2K, for a new section of pipe to connect Ogden Place to the Roe St. project. Tim second, 2-0.

Rose made a motion to recommend to Town Council for Joel Hoehn of Stody and Associates to perform surveying and legal description work for the area included in the Ogden Place portion of the SW project not to exceed \$1K. Tim second, 2-0.

Luann recently mailed letters out to residents in the Roe St. area affected by the project informing them of basic details. Three property owners appeared at the SW meeting with questions and/or concerns. The group fielded questions from John Fosnight and granddaughter Cassie Koughn, Mike Turner, and Brian Bailey. Topics included wet areas, temporary construction easements, etc.

- **600 block between Shady Lane and Bittersweet and adjacent area -----** Luann recently mailed letters to Mike Lampton, 518 Shady Lane and Scot Shady, 604 Shady Lane, to inform them that the Town will be requesting a construction easement on both properties to allow construction equipment access to the drainage ditch behind their properties.

Mr. Lampton was in attendance and had some concerns he expressed to the group. After discussing some of the history of the ditch, it was decided that Jim, Luann, and Rose would meet at his property, preferably during or after a heavy rain to observe ground conditions. Detail of an easement remains to be worked out.

If the excess water cannot be removed soon, the project may have to wait until later in summer when ground is dried out. This project is going to be weather/ground conditions related as for scheduling.

- **Vactor Truck-----** Luann informed the group that the new Vactor truck should be delivered in approx. two weeks. A down payment to be determined will be split between Water, Wastewater, and Stormwater Depts.

Siebold and LaFever Sts.---- Bill reported that there have been no problems in the swale area.

Storm Water Budget ----- Not available

901 Park St.----- Luann will have the basin checked out and cleaned as soon as possible, weather permitting.

Depot & Mill Sts.----Stormwater draining from parking lot adjacent to Energy Control, Luann has this scheduled for crew to check out.

New Business

Update from Town Manager on Projects-----

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned.

The next regular scheduled meeting for the Stormwater Board will be on Wednesday, April 29, 2015 at 6:00 PM, Town Hall.

Respectfully Submitted, Dennis Ramey, Secretary

Rose Barrick reported for the Storm Water Board, stating that they are just waiting for the weather to break so they can start the summer projects.

No other committees reported.

Ossian Park Board April 6, 2015

Attendance: Bill Dowty, Jason Heckber, Joe Lewis, Ashley Harmon, and Tim Rohr

- I. Read and approved minutes from meeting on March 2, 2015
- II. Bill Dowty presented a letter of resignation. Jason motioned. Ashley seconded. Passed 4-0.
- III. Discussed who next president will be. Decided to let Jason run meeting as vice president. Will discuss again at May meeting.
- IV. Steering committee will meet on April 22, 2015 at Ossian Elementary at 7pm
- V. No new information or budget reports presented. Tom and Bill to meet with Janette.
- VI. Koufax paid \$360 for 24 kids. \$3,435 received from minor league for 224 kids. These are all user fees paid to date. New pitcher's mound and home plates have been ordered for little league diamond. Two employees (Ron Privett and Cory Privett) are to be hired to do ball diamond maintenance and mowing. Kevin Prichard frustrated with diamonds not being in shape. Jason mentioned batting cage at little league needs attention, says netting is in terrible shape. Board decided to take nets down by the first Monday in August
- VII. Discussed maintenance needs in parks. Sandlewood Park play equipment needs maintenance. Decided to get second quote for installing lighting in Melching Park Pavilion.
- VIII. Todd Nash donated \$250 to the Town for purchase of fish for Archbold Wilson Park
- IX. Adjourned at 8:50pm
- X. Next meeting May 4, 2015 7pm

Barkley moved to accept the Abatement Schedule for Gerber Development. Miller seconded. Passed 5-0

Town Engineer, Jim Breckler of Engineering Resources recommended Wayne Asphalt for the 2015 street project. Breckler stated that Wayne Asphalt bid of ninety five thousand three hundred eighty six (\$95,386) dollars was the lowest and that all paperwork was in order. In addition, the town has been very satisfied with their work in the past. Neuenschwander moved to accept the Wayne Asphalt bid and Barkley seconded. Passed 5-0

Breckler submitted his recommendation of LITER concrete for the sidewalk project. Their bid of twenty nine thousand one hundred seventy two (\$29,172) was the lowest. Barkley moved to accept the LITER Concrete bid with a second from Dowty. Passed 5-0

Breckler and Derrick Fredrickson, also of Engineering Resources reported on the comprehensive plan for the Wastewater Treatment Plant. They gave updates of work that had been done and stated that they were waiting for additional information before completing the As-Builts for the sewage facility. Breckler presented a bid not to exceed twenty thousand three hundred (\$20,300) dollars for the completed project plus a maximum of five hundred (\$500) dollars for reimbursable expenses. Neuenschwander moved to accept this bid. Miller seconded. Passed 5-0

Breckler submitted a proposal from Engineering Resources to complete a Hydraulic Profile Analysis for the Sewer Plant at a cost of thirty two hundred (\$3200) dollars. Breckler stated that there was not a compliance issue at this time, but that good information was needed in order to stay ahead of the game. Neuenschwander moved to accept this bid. Miller seconded. Passed 5-0

Breckler initiated a discussion of the sewer lines in the Lewis Addition. Martin reported that they are in the process of obtaining easements and for the Town's protection, the easements should be brought to the Council when they are obtained. Martin reported that Mike Hartburg, the town attorney questioned the warranty. He said it is customary to ask for a three (3) year warranty and a bond or an irrevocable credit for this kind of project. The current document asks for only a one (1) year warranty. Martin said that because the homeowners are the ones who would be signing off on the dedication it makes it a little more complicated. Barkley said the work will be done by reputable Wells County companies, so he didn't see the need to ask for a three year warranty. No action was needed at this time.

Breckler presented photos of manholes in need of repair along 850 North. He said eight manholes are in need of liners as soon as possible to prevent them from caving in on themselves.

He estimated their cost at approximately seventeen hundred (\$1700) dollars each. Breckler will get quotes for this and report at the next meeting.

Barkley moved to accept James Battin as a new full time employee at fourteen (\$14.00) per hour. Neuenschwander seconded. Passed 5-0

Barkley moved to hire Ron Privett to maintain the ball diamonds and other seasonal tasks at eight dollars and fifty cents (\$8.50) per hour. Neuenschwander seconded. Passed 5-0

Neuenschwander moved to hire Corey Privett for summer mowing and other seasonal tasks at eight dollars and fifty cents (\$8.50) per hour. Barkley seconded. Passed 5-0

Town Manager, Luann Martin reported that Corey Privett would start April 14, 2015 and Ron Privett would start April 15, 2015. She also said the Ed Weisenauer would continue on as a seasonal employee.

Barkley moved to approve the Emergency Operation and Disaster Plan in the Event of Groundwater/Water Contamination for the Town of Ossian. Dowty seconded. Passed 5-0

Neuenschwander presented an insurance proposal for 2015-2016. He stated that for the first time the Town was able to get property replacement cost for the Town buildings. He worked with Martin and two (2) appraisers from EMC insurance to achieve this. The appraisers recommended increasing our coverage of Town building two million seventy nine thousand six hundred dollars (\$2,079,600) to seven million nine hundred seventy three thousand four hundred forty (7,973,440) dollars. This increased our premium by \$3999 for the year. Neuenschwander presented quotes for all coverage as follows:

Selective Insurance - \$62,020	EMC – \$54,613
Bliss-McKnight - \$60,430	

Dowty moved to accept the bid of \$54,613 from EMC Insurance. Miller seconded. Passed 5-0
Barkley

Martin presented a quote from Newell Construction to remove debris from the back of the town hall for two hundred twenty (\$220) dollars per load. He estimated it to be about eight (8) loads. Barkley moved to accept the bid. Miller seconded. Passed 5-0

Barkley stated that in order to have the Industrial Park South Expansion certified as “shovel ready” an Environmental Site Assessment is needed. The cost for this is sixteen hundred (\$1600) dollars. Heartland REMC has offered to pay one thousand (\$1000) dollars if Ossian will pay six hundred (\$600) dollars. Barkley moved to pay the remaining six hundred (\$600) dollars. Dowty seconded. Passed 5-0

Martin requested to advertise to sell the F700 with a snow plow and salt spreader as a package, the snow plow off the F450 and the small salt spreader. She had done some research and similar trucks were selling from forty one hundred (\$4100) to forty nine hundred (\$4900). After a short discussion Miller moved to set a minimum bid at five hundred (\$500) dollars each for the snow plow and small salt spreader and a minimum bid of five thousand for the F700 package as proposed by Martin. Neuenschwander seconded. Passed 5-0 Martin said advertising would need to end at least fifteen (15) days before the opening of the bids. It was decided a second meeting in May would not be necessary. Bids will be opened at 7:00 p.m. at the June 8th meeting.

Neuenschwander moved to approve time cards as presented. Dowty seconded. Passed 5-0

Dowty moved to approve claims of \$151,580.56 as presented. Miller seconded. Passed 5-0

Neuenschwander moved to adjourn. Miller seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

OSSIAN POLICE COMMISSION – Regular Meeting
April 14, 2015 - 7:00 p.m. Ossian Town Hall – 507 North Jefferson

Andrew Wanner, Chairman of the Ossian Police Commission called the meeting to order with Commissioners, Ron Werling and Steve Schadle present.

Wanner asked for comments from the public with no response.

Werling began the discussion of shift coverage stating that the taxpayers of Ossian expect and should have a police officer on duty 24 hours - 7 days a week. Werling presented several time cards that substantiated that this is not happening, especially on the week-ends. He stated that on some week-ends, there was no coverage at all for extended periods of time. Werling went on to say that several officers had taken holiday, sick or vacation time simultaneously, leaving the department short-handed or with no coverage at all. He cited the week ending March 22 in particular, which had large gaps of coverage. Police Chief, Dave Rigney stated that this was Spring Break week. Werling suggested that they space these days out so as to facilitate better coverage in the future. Rigney reported that the department sets up a vacation schedule at the beginning of the year. Of course, throughout the year people will take holidays, sick days etc. at various times.

Werling questioned Officer Tucker as to her hours spent in the DARE Program. She stated that she spent Tuesday at the Ossian Elementary School teaching four (4) DARE Classes and then finished her shift on the road. She went on to say that on the days she teaches DARE, Officer Foreman and Officer Hunt alter their shifts a bit in order to maintain coverage. Werling presented times cards for Sunday, April 12, 2015, pointing out that the Town was totally without coverage from 4 am until 6 pm. on that day. The only response to this was when Officer McClish told the commissioners that he came in two (2) hours early on that day.

Town Council member, Tom Neuenschwander, mentioned that he had met with the Indiana Public Employers' Plan, Inc. (IPEP) last week and they had requested time cards from the reserve officers for the purpose of possible Workman's Compensation claims. Rigney stated that he had time cards them for last year but could not access them yet due to computer problems. Neuenschwander replied that we only need them going forward.

Rigney presented a synopsis of calls received for 2013 and 2014 by the hour and day of the week. He briefly explained that the bulk of the calls come in on evenings and week-ends, so that's where extra coverage is needed. He stated that he is trying to get the most coverage with the least cost and liability. Rigney then presented a list of Considerations for Scheduling along with four (4) suggested schedules beginning with the current one, which leaves 15 hours each week not covered and uses eight (8) hour shifts.. The other schedules used eight (8) hour shifts, as well, and left hours not covered as eight and a half (8.5), three (3) and none (0). Rigney pointed out that some of these schedules increased the overtime. He stated that it was not possible to have twenty four (24) hour coverage with the current manpower without increasing overtime. Werling said he thought it was possible to have 24 hour coverage 7 days a week with the human and financial resources we have available now.

Officer Tucker explained the current scheduling structure and pointed out that officers adjust their schedule when other officers take time off for whatever reason. She also presented a list of monthly, quarterly and annual meetings officers are required to attend. She also said that court appearances are required from time to time.

Neuenschwander, the Town Council liaison, suggested the commissioners talk with Rigney before the next meeting and try to work something out.

Wanner announced the next meeting to be held May 5, 2015 at 7: p.m. at the town hall.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

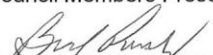
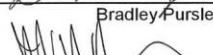
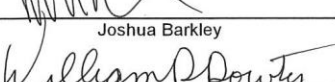
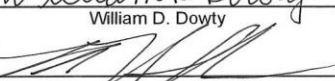
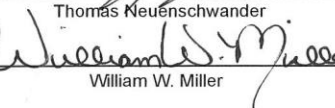
Town of Ossian
Executive Session
Ossian Town Hall - 507 N. Jefferson

An executive session was called to order at 6:15 p.m.
Time
on April 27, 2015 to discuss 2B - Initiation of litigation or
Date Subject
litigation that is either pending or has been threatened specifically in writing.

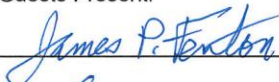

We, the undersigned, certify that no final action was taken on this matter and that no other subjects were discussed.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:50
Time

Council Members Present:


Bradley Pursley

Joshua Barkley

William D. Dowty

Thomas Neuenschwander

William W. Miller

Guests Present:

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Council President, Brad Pursley called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with Council members Bill Miller, Josh Barkley, Bill Dowty and Tom Neuenschwander present.

There were no comments from Ossian residents.

Gil Pena, of Pena's Mechanical, presented three (3) CF-1s for approval. Barkley moved to approve all three (3) CF-1s. Neuenschwander seconded. Passed 5-0

Greg Roembke, representing Roembke Manufacturing, presented three (3) CF-1s. Neuenschwander moved to approve all three (3) CF-1s. Miller seconded. Passed 5-0

Bill Lacari and Tony Sokol presented a CF-1 for TI Automotive. Barkley moved to approve the CF-1. Dowty seconded. Passed 5-0

Neuenschwander moved to remove Herbert Bergman from his probationary period and give him a 50 cent per hour raise as recommended by Town Manager, Luann Martin. Miller seconded. Passed 5-0

Martin, presented an Agreement for Installation of Underground Fiber Optic Cable Within the Rights-of-way of the Town of Ossian, Indiana. There was a brief discussion, after which, Barkley moved to approve the agreement pending Martin verifying with Town Attorney, Mike Hartburg, that this will not cost the town anything. Dowty seconded. Passed 5-0

Martin presented a request from the Wells County Public Library to remove the town's electrical box and pole. This is to facilitate new lighting for the entrance and parking area. In exchange the library will wire the Christmas tree with the new lights and take over the expense of lighting the Christmas tree during the Christmas season. Neuenschwander moved to accept this with a second from Miller. Passed 5-0

Martin presented a request from the Soccer Club to replace their existing shed with a larger one. Their shed sits on town property. Council requested this be sent to the Park Board.

Martin reported that the town's newest employee, Jim Battin, is doing very well after just one week.

Barkley moved to approve claims of \$121,215.78 as presented. Miller seconded. Passed 5-0

Neuenschwander moved to adjourn. Dowty seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

OSSIAN REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION – Special Meeting
April 27, 2015 - 7:20 p.m.
Ossian Town Hall – 507 North Jefferson

Redevelopment Commission President, Josh Barkley, called the meeting to order at 7:20 p.m. with Commission members Bill Miller, Brad Pursley and Tom Neuenschwander present.

Neuenschwander moved to accept Terri Hughes-Lazzell's letter of resignation. Pursley seconded. Passed 4-0

Barkley moved to appoint Bill Dowty to the commission to replace Terri Hughes-Lazzell. Miller seconded. Passed 4-0

Dowty was sworn in by Clerk-Treasurer, Jeannette Dickey.

Barkley moved to adjourn. Miller seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 7:25 p.m.