

OSSIAN TOWN COUNCIL – Town of Ossian, Indiana

September 10, 2018 - 7:00 p.m.

Ossian Town Hall – 507 North Jefferson

Council President, Josh Barkley called to order a Public Hearing regarding the 2019 Budget. There were no questions or comments and the hearing was closed at 7:04 p.m.

Barkley called to order a Public Hearing regarding the status of the property at 103 North Jefferson Street.

Retha Springer stated that her building, located at 101 North Jefferson, is exposed to the weather because of sharing a wall with the 103 North Jefferson property, which has no roof. Adrian Haverstadt, the town's attorney on this matter, stated that the complaint letter had been sent to the owner as required. The owner granted the Town permission to enter the property, but has made no move to start the required improvements. Councilman Barkley has looked at the property and explained where the water was entering the 101 property. Haverstadt said he would research court cases involving the owner because whether he is married or divorced is important to the situation. Martin suggested maybe just putting a roof on the building to keep the outside walls supported and keep out the weather, then making the building available to someone who would rehabilitate the building and use it. Martin did not think demolition would be a good choice because it would be very expensive and it would leave a gaping hole in the downtown streetscape.

Haverstadt said the next step would be to continue the enforcement as stated in the letter. If there are no improvements made by the September 13, 2018 deadline then a five thousand (\$5000) fine will be imposed against the property. The owner will then have fifteen (15) days to pay the fine or a lien will be placed against the property. After that the Town will have to wait ten (10) days to give notice to the owner of any action being taken.

Barkley closed the public hearing at 7:20 p.m.

Council President, Josh Barkley called the regular meeting of the Ossian Town Council to order with Council members, Bill Dowty, Jeff Kemper, Brad Pursley and Renee Sweeney present.

Pursley moved to approve the minutes of the August meetings. Dowty seconded.
Passed 5-0

Fire Chief, Ben Fenstermaker presented a request to purchase for four (4) sets of turn-out gear at a total cost of Ninety Four Hundred Ninety Four (\$9494) dollars, five (5) SCBA bottles for Twenty Eight Hundred Seventy Five (\$2875) dollars and four (4) pagers for Twenty One Hundred Eighty Four (\$2184) dollars. Dowty moved to grant all three requests with a second from Pursley. Passed 5-0

Joe Lewis, representing the Park Board explained why a larger mower was needed. Barkley explained that the council would table the request until the October meeting when more information regarding town employees mowing versus subbing out the mowing could be obtained and evaluated.

There were no questions on the Monthly Police Report. Police Commissioner, Caleb Chichester, reported all cameras are now installed in the cars and officers haven't been trained in their use. He then announced that Officer Alig's last day to work would be November 6, 2018. He further stated that the commission would be interviewing a prospective candidate to replace Officer Torres in an executive session on September 11, 2018 at the town hall. This candidate would be a lateral hire and would be on his own after about two (2) months. Chichester stated that agility tests for candidates to replace Officer Alig have been scheduled for September 29,

2018. This group of candidates would all need to go through the academy. Chichester reported that Jimmy Robbins had been hired as a part-time officer and has already started work.

Rose Barrick, reporting for the Storm Water Board, stated that Hillcrest Development Corporation has agreed to pay Forty Eight Thousand Seven Hundred Thirty Five (\$48,735) dollars towards the Ossian Industrial Park Drainage Project and up to Two Thousand (\$2000) dollars in engineering fees. Hillcrest Development Corporation further agrees to cut and dispose of all trees and shrubs in the detention area and mow the same area. HDC will then donate to the town the detention pond and surrounding area per the agreement included as an addendum to these minutes. Kemper moved to approve the agreement. Sweeney seconded. Passed 5-0
Barrick reported that they are still waiting on the railroad for the agreement for the Hickory Street Project.

The next regular meeting of the Storm Water Board will be September 25, 2018 at the town hall at 10:00 a.m.

Sweeney moved to accept the Rights of Ways for the Mill Street Project. Kemper seconded. Passed 5-0

Dowty moved to pass Ordinance #18-8-2, An Amended Salary Ordinance for 2018. Pursley seconded. Passed 5-0

Kemper moved to approve a qualified utility adjustment. Pursley seconded. Passed 5-0

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

Dowty moved to approve claims of \$144,584.06 as presented. Sweeney seconded. Passed 5-0

Barkley read a letter of resignation from Clerk-Treasurer, Jeannette Dickey stating that her last day would be October 14, 2018. Council accepted the resignation by general consensus.

Dowty moved to adjourn. Pursley seconded Meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

OSSIAN TOWN COUNCIL – Town of Ossian, Indiana

September 24, 2018 - 7:00 p.m.

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Council President, Josh Barkley called the meeting of the Ossian Town Council to order with Council members, Bill Dowty, Jeff Kemper, Brad Pursley and Renee Sweeney present.

Barkley asked for questions or input regarding the 2019 budget. There being none, Pursley moved to adopt the 2019 budget as presented. Dowty seconded. Passed 5-0

Dowty moved to set Trick-or-Treat hours for Ossian on October 31, 2018 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Sweeney seconded. Passed 5-0

Town Manager, Luann Martin presented a quote from Crosby, Inc. to replace piping at Well Houses #1 & 2 for Sixty Eight Hundred Twelve (\$6812) dollars. Barkley expressed concern that the valve was not being replaced at the same time. Barkley moved to add replacement of the valve and flange to the bid presented at a cost not to exceed Fifteen Thousand (\$15,000) dollars. Pursley seconded. Passed 5-0

Martin presented Ordinance #18-9-2 amending Chapter 91 of the Ossian Code of Ordinances. This would shorten the time for complying with the code to avoid penalties and also increases the penalties for non-compliance. Pursley moved to adopt the ordinance with a second from Sweeney. Passed 5-0

Pursley moved to approve claims of \$43,396.77 as presented. Sweeney seconded. Passed 5-0

Barkley moved to adjourn. Dowty seconded Meeting was adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

OSSIAN STORM WATER MANAGEMENT BOARD
TUESDAY JULY 17th, 2018 10:00 AM
SPECIAL MEETING

Meeting called to order at 10:00am. Members present; Tim Miller, Rose Barrick, Luann Martin,
Jeff Kemper.

Purpose of meeting; to discuss issues with the swale and detention basin erosion with members of Hillcrest Development.

Scope of Project

Detention Basin Outlet reconstruction.
TI Automotive Drainage Swale.
Elevating manholes that are now submerged during heavy rain events.

Required Permits

- DNR - Construction in a Floodway. Permit in progress.
- IDEM – Erosion Control

Next Steps

- Acquire necessary Easements from SBA Structures, Carol Ann Lane Properties and Hillcrest.
- Engineering Resources to prepare project specs. and bidding documents.

Next Meeting

The next regular meeting will be July 31st, 2018 at 10:00am in the town hall. With no other business to conduct, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, Tim Miller, Board President

To: Ossian Stormwater Board and the Town of Ossian
From: Hillcrest Development Corporation (HDC)
Re: Hillcrest Detention Pond

Hillcrest Development Corporation agrees to the following points:

1. HDC will pay \$48,735.00 towards Alternate #1 of the Ossian Industrial Park Drainage Improvements 2018.
2. HDC will donate to The Town of Ossian the area considered as the detention pond including an area 30' wide, to 35' east of the William Smith Drain centerline.
3. HDC will grant a 30' right-of-way from the east point noted in #2 above to the center of the cul-de-sac on Hillcrest Drive approximately 350' in length. HDC will provide to The Town of Ossian a boundary survey for the property noted in #2 above.
4. HDC will cut all trees and shrubs and dispose of said items in detention area. HDC will mow area.
5. HDC will pay up to \$2,000 in engineering fees.



Terry Donaghy



Ted Martz



Carol Baker



Gene A. Donaghy

09/06/2018

Date

Metropolitan Board of Police Commissioners
Executive Session
507 North Jefferson, Ossian, IN

An executive session was called to order at 6:30 p.m.
Time

on September 11, 2018
Date

Subject

To receive information about and interview prospective employees.

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

Meeting was adjourned at 7:30.
Time

Commissioners Present:



Andrew Wanner


Caleb Chichester


Bob Miller

Guests Present:



William D. Dwyer


Doug O'Riordan


Matt P. Ryan