

OSSIAN TOWN COUNCIL – Town of Ossian, Indiana

March 11, 2019 – 7:00 p.m.

Ossian Town Hall – 507 North Jefferson

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

Dowty moved to approve the minutes of the December meetings. Sweeney seconded.
Passed 5-0

Police Commissioner, Caleb Chichester, informed council of Matthew Brown's resignation. They plan to reopen the hiring process after their weekend meeting.

Barkley stated that there's no new update on the 103 N. Jefferson building, but there is an interested group of investors that have another meeting tomorrow.

Barkley informed the rest of council that there is a meeting tomorrow with RSD to get an update on where everything's at for the sewer project north of town.

Ken Dearing from Perma-Column and Chad Kline from Wells County Economic Development filed a SB-1 and asked council for abatement on a Robotic Welder, a piece of equipment. Kemper moved to adopt Resolution 19-3-1. Sweeney seconded. Passed 5-0

Greg Thornton from Rethceif Packaging and Chad Kline presented three CF-1s showing compliance on their three abatements. Pursley moved to accept the CF-1s. Dowty seconded.
Passed 5-0

Kemper moved to adopt Resolution 19-3-2, approving the action of Area Plan Commission with the Amending Declaratory Resolution. Sweeney seconded. Passed 5-0. The next scheduled meeting for the Redevelopment Commission is scheduled for April 1st but Hartburg is checking to see if it can be before Council's meeting on April 8th.

Sweeney moved to accept Ortman Drilling & Water Services proposal on the rehabilitation of wells 1 and 2 and annual maintenance inspection of 3, 4, &5. Pursley seconded. Passed 5-0

Pursley made a motion to have Hartburg serve as the Town's representative for their delinquent collection. Dowty seconded. Passed 5-0

Mike Loveless, from ONI Risk Partners, shared ONI's advantages and specialization for insurance. Council decided it would be good to get a second look and would like to see what ONI could offer. Loveless would get with Martin to put a proposal together for Council.

Rose Barrick and Darrell Reynolds, from Ossian Days Committee, stated that Ossian Days would be September 12-14 this year and asked for Council's same support as always. Barkley moved to accept the following dates and support the Committee. Dowty seconded. Passed 5-0

In other business, Barkley stated that Chad Kline will be getting with the Town about options for network fibers through Comcast or Mediacom.

Sweeney moved to approve time cards with changes made on Matthew Brown's timecard for February 24th. Pursley seconded. Passed 5-0

Pursley moved to approve claims of \$189,228.20 as presented. Dowty seconded. Passed 5-0

Martin asked if she should show the 103 N. Jefferson building to any interested buyers if requested. Council said yes as long as they signed the waiver form.

Kemper moved to adjourn. Sweeney seconded. Meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

OSSIAN BOARD OF METROPOLITAN POLICE COMMISSIONERS

Regular Meeting

January 2, 2019 - 7:00 pm

Ossian Town Hall - 507 North Jefferson

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Commission Vice Chairman, Caleb Chichester. Commissioner Bob Miller was present along with council liaison, Bill Dowty. Police Chief, Dave Rigney was also present. Commissioner Andrew Wanner was absent.

Bob Miller moved to approve the minutes, Chichester seconded. The motion passed 2-0.

Bob Miller moved to appoint Caleb Chichester as Chairman, Chichester seconded. The motion passed 2-0.

Chichester then moved to appoint Andrew Wanner as Vice Chairman, Miller seconded. The motion passed 2-0.

The meeting schedule for the year was discussed. Regular meetings will be held the first Wednesday of every month at 6:00 PM.

Police Chief Rigney informed the board that he was unable to get the monthly report completed by the time of the meeting due to not having all information from Sally.

Chief Rigney also gave an update on the newly hired Police Officers. We will be on the wait list for the next academy session.

Re-approved two memorandums from last year, one for department reports and one for monthly department schedules.

Miller motioned to adjourn, Chichester seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 7:07 pm.

MINUTES
OSSIAN STORM WATER MANAGEMENT BOARD
TUESDAY, November 27, 2018
10:00 AM

Meeting called to order at 10am. Members present: Tim Miller, Rose Barrick, Luann Martin, Jim Breckler.

Minutes: No minutes were presented.

OLD BUSINESS

RR Rose Ann Heights swale update: Jim Breckler said the technical review of plans is complete. Last remaining item is the real estate approval. Jim has worked with local real estate, the proposed easement geometry was forwarded us over to Columbus and Jim was directed to talk to their group in Atlanta. Jim has contacted Atlanta and is waiting on their feedback.

Ossian Industrial Park Drainage project: Construction is nearly complete, they have installed the turf reinforcing mat in the swale. The entire length of ditch at north end of retention pond is either protected with riprap or the turf reinforcing mat for over the winter. Fine grading and seeding of the base are still to be done but probably not until next year. There are some areas that appear to be holding water, we suspect the majority of that is due to erosion control rock protection around the outlets of the basin, but will continue to monitor. Will work with Fox to get that addressed at the fine grading process.

Rose asked if Hillcrest was able to get any of the trees and brush out. There are 4 or 5 piles to be removed. That cannot be left since that area would fill up with water and cover the outflow.

Rose also asked the status of a new mower or someone to mow the area. Nothing has been decided and no one has been found to do the job. Luann will have an update at the next meeting.

Blakewood Detention Pond: Pond did not sell so attorney says Council has to make a decision for us to approach the Commissioners to see if we can get it. Tim made a motion to recommend to Town Council that they look into acquiring the detention pond. Rose seconded.

Budget: Checking \$219,342.08. Savings \$95,632.36.

Update Storm Water Standards: Storm water standards were adopted. Luann will be making new books.

Sewer Plant Update: Rose was asking about an update on riprap. Luann said she talked with Jared Hanh and will need to contact him again. Can't lay rock if the ground is frozen.

NEW

Update from Town Manager: Work is needed on a sink hole on the corner of Davis and Zuercher. Attention needed behind house on east side of Melching, behind Jim Reiff's house, where storm water is collecting.

Other New Business: Ossian was awarded grant of around \$960,00.00 for the Mill Street project, City will owe around \$300,000.00 and Storm Water might owe a portion of that amount. Jim said all of storm is covered by the grant.

Dec. 18 the hams will be ready for pickup after 12 noon thru 3:30pm.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be Tuesday, January 29, 2019 at 10am at the Town Hall.

Rose made a motion to adjourn and seconded by Tim

MINUTES OSSIAN STORM WATER MANAGEMENT BOARD

TUESDAY, January 29, 2019

10:00 AM

Meeting called to order at 10am. Members present: Tim Miller, Rose Barrick, Luann Martin, Jim Breckler & Tony Crowell.

Election of Officers: Rose made a motion to leave officers as they are now, Tim seconded.

Date and Time: Day of the month and time will remain the same.

Minutes: No minutes were presented.

OLD BUSINESS

RR Rose Ann Heights swale update: Jim Breckler finally heard back from the Rail Road after several attempts to reach them. Real Estate is okay with the easement description that have been drafted. 20 foot wide temporary easement and a 15 foot wide permanent easement. The next step needed is an agreed offer for the value of that land with an appraisal. Jim told the agent that this was the first he was hearing about this requirement. Town is asking for easement to clear brush, remove sediment and have ongoing maintenance abilities to access that ground. Agent will talk to Real Estate in Columbus then get back to Jim. Jim told agent it is unreasonable for Town to pay them to clean up brush. She will take that back to Real Estate Dept. and get back with Jim. The next step would be bidding the project and getting it done.

Ossian Industrial Park Drainage project: Status unchanged. Project is nearly complete. Need to do fine grading and seeding. Received pay application for the bulk of the work.

Hillcrest was billed and has paid \$31,430.53. They gave a purchase agreement for the property. Luann told them cannot accept that agreement the way it is because they weren't going to pay taxes and they are responsible for taxes. Luann sent purchase agreement to attorney and he made recommended several changes. Those recommendations were submitted to Hillcrest Development. When those changes are made, the Storm Board will send the agreement to Town Council with recommendation that they accept it.

Blakewood Detention Pond: The attorney is working on a letter requesting to meet with Commissioners about the detention pond. Luann spoke with the owner and he will go with Luann to the meeting and he will sign pond over.

Mill Street Project: Bids were received on the Mill street Project. Notice to Proceed was issued to Wayne Asphalt on Jan. 23. Target completion date is September. A new storm sewer will run

from the library west to 8 Mile Creek. Existing storm sewer in Mill Street will be left and existing trunk line that runs from east to west will tie together with storm sewer in Mill Street.

Archbold Wilson Amphitheater Pavilion: Design development is complete. There will be a meeting with the architect and there will be some storm sewer on that project for drainage of driveway, new parking and the building. Storm sewer ranges from 14 to 24 inches in diameter and storm water detention pond included.

Budget: Checking \$183,633.64. Savings\$51,829.41

NEW

Tony Crowell, 426 Meadow Lane, has a roadside ditch that is not filled in and it holds water. The culvert under his driveway is filling with water and silt because the water won't drain. He is requesting that Storm Water like into this and try to solve the problem.

Rose mentioned that there had been a study done in 2006 to redo drainage in that area and add sidewalks and curbs. Luann will see if she can locate that study and Jim would like to take a look at it.

A proposal was made to request a survey at the next meeting for elevations and drainage area map of Meadow Lane.

Mower Estimate: Troxel 2018 price was \$47,083.00 and 2019 price \$49,835.00. There was discussion regarding work still needing to be done before mowing can be take place.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be Tuesday, February 26, 2019 at 10am at the Town Hall.

Tim made a motion to adjourn and seconded by Rose.

MINUTES OSSIAN STORM WATER MANAGEMENT BOARD TUESDAY, February 26, 2019 10:00 AM

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

Minutes: Rose made a motion to approve minutes for Aug. 29, 2018, September 25, 2018, and October 30, 2018. Tim seconded.

OLD BUSINESS

RR Rose Ann Heights swale update: Jim Breckler contacted the Rail Road 3 times since the last meeting with no response. Jim will continue trying but if no response by the March meeting recommends contacting State Representative.

Still waiting on the Springer right of entry. Luann will contact him this week.

Ossian Industrial Park Drainage project: Status unchanged. Project is nearly complete, just waiting on weather to improve so fine grading and seeding can be done. Final payout when this work is complete will be approximately \$30,000.00.

Have not received final revised Purchase Agreement from Hillcrest.

Blakewood Detention Pond: Presented proposal to Commissioners and they were very responsive and we are within our holding period time frame.

Mower: Council did agree to buy a new mower. They took \$10,000.00 out of Storm account. Luann has received 1 quote for mowing at the Industrial Park. She has also talked to someone else but not received an estimate. That mowing will need to be done possibly 4 times a year, the first time will also include Blakewood and Bunn detention ponds. Luann will have estimates for mowing at the next meeting.

Budget: Checking \$177,749.75. Savings \$54,831.22.

Meadow Lane: Jim said Storm Board asked that he start an investigation of potential project and has a 3 fold proposal.

#1 Looked into high level conceptional costs to reestablish side ditches and install driveway culverts on both sides of Meadow Lane. Construction estimates \$515,000, with survey and engineering includes could be \$590,000.

#2 Looked into installing storm sewers with inlets to avoid concerns that might be associated with side ditches. Construction \$270,000, with survey, engineering and easements \$310,000.

#3 Obtain pricing from land surveyors for topographical survey of Meadow Lane and drainage swale along north side. One estimate was \$7,750 and the other was \$9,690.

Need to get prices on stone for riprap for sewer plant.

NEW

Resident at 401 E. Mill Street says property behind them added a fence and did grading and is causing a water problem on the Mill St. property. Luann thinks that needs looking into.

Rose made a motion to have Engineering Resources go to Melching Court to do readings on how the water is draining. Seconded by Tim.

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