## OSSIAN TOWN COUNCIL - Town of Ossian, Indiana

May 10, 2021 – 7:00 p.m. Collier's – 215 North Jefferson

Council President, Josh Barkley called the meeting of the Ossian Town Council to order at 7:06pm with Council members, Brad Pursley, Jason House and Jeff Kemper present.

Pursley moved to approve the minutes of the April meeting. Kemper seconded. Passed 4-0

John Sherburne, from the Fire Department, requested to spend \$1,763 in engine repairs. Kemper approved the request; House seconded.

Martin announced there's a Grand Opening planned for the Archbold Wilson Amphitheater/ Event Center on May 29<sup>th</sup> with a ribbon cutting at 6:30pm.

Robert Simison, resident of 315 W. Mill St. asked Council to explain the delinquent and shut off notice he received. Town attorney, Adrian Halverstadt, provided a recap of the recent events. After much discussion, Kemper motioned to forgive all past debt, current balance at the time being \$4,792.80, and to have Simison pay in full moving forward; House seconded. Passed 4-0. Also, Mr. Simison requested that his name be the only name on the account; he stated that another name was added without his permission. Simison was told to come into Town Hall to get that corrected.

Breckler and Martin provided an update on 103 N. Jefferson. It was determined to tuck point the front corners of both buildings and then to side each wall with barn metal siding. House motioned to do a performance spec on 103 N. Jefferson, Kemper seconded. Passed 4-0

Chad Kline, Wells County Economic Director, mentioned he could put together request for bids for an option agreement to develop that block.

House approved payment application #13 to Cornerstone Stewards in the amount of \$103,075.11, Pursley seconded. Passed 4-0

Breckler discussed a comprehensive proposal for Woodcreek Drive and Industrial Parkway Culvert Replacement Project. The total cost of both culverts is estimated at \$785,000. Breckler also shared with Council that ARP funds can be used on stormwater infrastructure. Pursley motioned to move forward with Engineering Resources to the field investigation and record conditions, geotechnical, preliminary design, hydraulic modeling, and permitting, paying half from storm and half from streets. Kemper seconded. Passed 4-0

Breckler also requested authorization for the Greenwood Trail Roadway Improvements Project. Kemper motioned to pay balance of \$62,200 for the project, House seconded. Passed 4-0

Kline informed Council that he and Jason visited Trusted Supply, Roembke, TI Automotive, and Perma Column and everything looked good with the businesses. House motioned to approve all CF-1s received by Pena Mechanical, Trusted Supply, and Roembke; Pursley seconded. Passed 4-0

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Gene Donaghy, representing OD Inc, asked Council to take over the new detention pond being dug in Industrial Park. It's a little over 4 acres, designed to be a dry detention pond. There was general consensus to move forward and have ERI inspect the project before accepting the land.

Allison explained that FGH has filed a petition for voluntary annexation with the Crosswind Lake Subdivision. Barkley motioned to accept the petition, Pursley seconded. Passed 4-0

Upon Council's unanimous consent to consider Ordinance 21-5-3 for adoption on the same day of its introduction, Barkley motioned to approve Ordinance 21-5-3, to establish an ARPA fund. Kemper seconded. Passed 4-0

Upon Council's unanimous consent to consider Ordinance 21-5-4 for adoption on the same day of its introduction, House motioned to approve Ordinance 21-5-4, to designate and authorize the Town Council President as its sole signatory for all necessary documents relating to the Town's 2021 CCMG award. Kemper seconded. Passed 4-0

Allison informed Council there will be a public hearing at next month's meeting to do an additional appropriation for the CCI fund to budget for resurfacing the Lenny Gerber Trail.

Pursley motioned to approve a firework permit for Ossian Healthcare on June 24<sup>th</sup> for their annual Freedom Fest; House seconded. Passed 4-0

Pursley motioned to approve License for Improvement in Right of Way with Jason and Amy Ingram at 415 Countryside Drive, House seconded. Passed 4-0

Pursley motioned to approve License for Improvement in Right of Way with Beth Loucks at 617 Oakdale Drive, House seconded. Passed 4-0

Pursley motioned to approve License for Improvement in Right of Way, with Michael and Grace Dunn at 1610 Diane Drive, as a temporary agreement so the builder can build 5 feet into the easement and not stop the process while paperwork is being completed to permanently reduce the easement by 5 feet. House seconded. Passed 3-0 with Barkley abstaining.

Barkley read Renee Sweeney's letter of resignation from Town Council dated April 28<sup>th</sup> and effective immediately. Pursley motioned to accept the letter of resignation, Kemper seconded. Passed 4-0. It was announced that if anyone in the East District is interested in filling the position, they can drop off a let of intent to Town Hall by May 21<sup>st</sup> at noon. Council will hold a meeting May 24<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm to interview and fill the position.

Allison provided Council with a budget timeline draft, as it stands, Council will hold a public hearing for the 2022 budget on September 13<sup>th</sup> and will adopt the budget on October 11<sup>th</sup>.

Barkley motioned to approve the purchase of a 2015 John Deere 997 in the amount of \$11,500, Kemper seconded. Passed 4-0

Martin explained there's been a delay in getting the water van, but there is a different van sitting in a lot in Decatur at \$35,621 from Kelly Chevrolet. Pursley motioned to cancel our current order and purchase a 2021 2500 Cargo Van High Roof at \$35,621; House seconded. Passed 4-0

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Caleb Chichester, Police Commissioner, asked permission for Chief Rigney to attend the International Chief of Police Conference in New Orleans in September. Chichester estimates it'll cost about \$2,500. Council asked for the conference agenda and decided to place the request on the agenda of their May 24<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Pursley moved to approve time as presented. House seconded, Passed 4-0

Kemper moved to approve claims of \$313,380.99 as presented. House seconded. Passed 4-0

Pursley moved to adjourn. House seconded. Meeting was adjourned at 8:44p.m.

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May 24, 2021 – 7:00 p.m. Collier's – 215 North Jefferson

Council President, Josh Barkley called the meeting of the Ossian Town Council to order with Council members, Brad Pursley, Jason House and Jeff Kemper present.

Kemper motioned to allow Chief Rigney to attend the International Chief Association Conference in New Orleans in September not to exceed \$2,500; House seconded. Passed 3-1 with Pursley voting against.

There were four candidates who applied for the vacant council east district position: Bob Miller, Joe Lewis, Julia Garcez and Quinn Kumfer. Each candidate took a couple minutes to introduce themselves. Kemper motioned to appoint Joe Lewis as council member, House seconded. Passed 4-0.

Kemper moved to adjourn. Pursley seconded. Meeting was adjourned at 7:22p.m.

## OSSIAN REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION - Regular Meeting

May 10, 2021 - 6:55 p.m. Collier's – 215 North Jefferson

Jeff Kemper called the meeting to order at 6:55p.m. with Commission members Brad Pursley, Jason House, Josh Barkley, and Gene Donaghy present. Renee Sweeney was absent.

Pursley motioned to approve Resolution 21-5-1 determining the need to capture incremental assessed valuation. Barkley seconded. Passed 4-0

Commissioners discussed the budget, long-term plan for the TIF area, as well as the impact of the TIF for overlapping taxing units.

Donaghy passed out information from Indiana Economic Development Corporation for the Regional Economic Acceleration and Development Initiative.

There being no other business, Pursley moved to adjourn with a second from Barkley. Meeting was adjourned at 7:06 p.m.

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### Ossian Park Board

### April 5, 2021

Attendance: Tim Rohr, Gary Guenin, Ashley Harmon

- 1. Read and approved minutes from March 1, 2021 meeting.
- 2. Received letter of resignation from Dodie Filchak. Ashley motioned to accept, seconded by Gary. Passed 3-0
- 3. Baseball leagues are finishing their schedules. Start of practices will be by mid-April, weather permitting. 1 team 13–14-year-olds total of about 172 players
- 4. 2 concerts scheduled for Archbold Wilson Park. 1 in May and 1 in August
- 5. Next meeting on May 3, 2021
- 6. Meeting adjourned at 7:52pm

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