

OSSIAN TOWN COUNCIL – Town of Ossian, Indiana

June 14, 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, Jeff Kemper and Joe Lewis present.

Barkley opened the Public Hearing for annexation. There being no comment or questions from the public, Pursley motioned to close the public hearing, Kemper seconded. Passed 5-0

~~Barkley opened the Public Hearing for additional appropriations for the 2021 budget. There being no comment or questions from the public, Pursley motioned to close the public hearing, Lewis seconded. Passed 5-0~~

House moved to approve the minutes of the May meeting. Kemper seconded. Passed 5-0

Barkley motioned to accept the resignation of Joe Lewis from the Park Board, Lewis seconded. Passed 5-0

Pursley motioned to replace the current OPD server up to \$5,900 paid from the Public Safety Fund, payable to Stylus Technologies; Kemper seconded. Passed 5-0

Rigney wants to increase coverage on Mill and LaFever Street and table the conversation of stop signs for a couple of months.

Pursley approved payment application #14 to Cornerstone Stewards in the amount of \$17,163.49, House seconded. Passed 5-0

Pursley motioned to approve CF-1s for Rethceif, Linder Oil, TI Automotive, Perma Column & H&N Properties, House seconded. Passed 5-0

Pursley motioned to approve Resolution 21-6-2 giving TI Automotive a personal property tax abatement for 5 years, being 100% exempt the first four years, and 15% exempt on the fifth year; Lewis seconded. Passed 5-0

Kemper motioned to have Barkley sign an option agreement including the 103 N. Jefferson property; Pursley seconded. Passed 5-0

Barkley approved Ossian Days road closure permit, House seconded. Passed 5-0

Phil DiNovo and Larry Heckber asked Council about shooting off fireworks on Archbold-Wilson's hill on July 3rd. There was much discussion about the possible event. Pursley motioned for Barkley to look over the insurance that would be required for the event; House seconded. Passed 5-0

Kemper motioned to set the minimum bid for the 2011 Dodge Charger at \$4,000, Lewis seconded. Bids are due Monday July 12th.



Council unanimously decided to fill park's liaison with Joe Lewis and police's liaison with Jeff Kemper.

Barkley motioned to approve taking Cindy Imel off probation and a \$0.50 raise to \$16.50 per hour; Kemper seconded. Passed 5-0

Upon Council's unanimous consent to consider Ordinance 21-6-1 for adoption on the same day of its introduction, Pursley motioned to approve Ordinance 21-6-1, for an additional appropriation for the Cumulative Capital Improvement fund in an amount of \$60,000 for the 2021 budget year. Lewis seconded. Passed 5-0

House motioned to approve Resolution 21-5-1 adopting a fiscal plan for the annexation; Lewis seconded. Passed 5-0

Barkley read the synopsis and introduced Ordinance 21-5-2.

Larry Heckber is working to annex The Bridges.

House moved to approve time as presented. Kemper seconded. Passed 5-0

Pursley moved to approve claims of \$478,833.03 as presented. Lewis seconded. Passed 5-0

Pursley moved to adjourn. Kemper seconded. Meeting was adjourned at 8:11p.m.

Ossian Metropolitan Board Of Police Commission
Minutes for June 1, 2021
Minutes recorded by Stan Reed
Meeting called to order at 6:07pm
Attendance- Chairman Caleb Chichester, Bob Miller & Police Chief Dave Rigney
Approval of Previous minutes 3-0
Budget by Rigney- we are still UNDER budget
Old Business-None
New Police Vehicle- RWD Durango- Built without Police Package- By Accident Will Require some Modifications.
New Business- 2022 Budget W/Erica
A) Salary
B) Known Reoccurring Expenses NEED to be inserted into BUDGET.....
Our internet Service is out of date and needs an upgrade- We need more data.....
Motion to repair Server/Upgrade approved 3-0
we had Eleven applicants apply for NEW officer position. Six of the applicants passed ALL test.
One applicant Certified in another State, Planning on background checks on Candidates.
Discussion on " Possible " pay rates for 2022 and beyond. Discussion on "Possible" changes to "Comp time" ,
Unlimited Bank
and Vacation time.....
Motion to Adjourn approved 3-0
Meeting Adjourned at 6:42pm

Erika Allison