## OSSIAN TOWN COUNCIL - Town of Ossian, Indiana

October 11, 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.

Pursley motioned to appoint Dennis Ealing as Council Member for Ossian's East District; Kemper seconded. Passed 4-0. Allison swore in Ealing. Ealing joined the meeting.

Pursley moved to approve the minutes of the September meeting. Kemper seconded. Passed 5-0

Ben Fenstermaker asked Council for permission to purchase 20 bottles from Dalmatian Fire Equipment at a cost of \$23,840. House will reach out to Dan Rupright, Township Trustee President, to set up a meeting discussing splitting the cost.

Martin informed Council Park Board voted to allow The Bridges to use the Event Center for free for their fireworks event but is going to hold onto the deposit.

Allison explained she made budget changes as discussed from the August meeting, moving leafing expenses into the General fund and therefore adding more revenue into the general fund as well. Also, Allison sent out an email in August about allocating some of the property tax revenue growth to Park instead of MVH so Park can have and maintain a 6-month operating balance. Council unanimously consented and the MVH levy was changed to \$176,099. Upon Council's unanimous consent to consider Ordinance 21-10-1 for adoption on the same day of its introduction, Pursley motioned to approve Ordinance 21-10-1, adopting a 2022 budget. Kemper seconded. Passed 5-0

Pursley motioned to approve Resolution 21-10-6 reducing the following 2021 budget: \$3,150 from the General Fund, \$100,000 from MVH and \$15,000 from TIF; Kemper seconded. Passed 5-0

Upon Council's unanimous consent to consider Ordinance 21-10-3 for adoption on the same day of its introduction, House motioned to approve Ordinance 21-10-3, to amended salaries for the calendar year 2021. Kemper seconded. Passed 5-0

Pursley motioned to approve Resolution 21-10-5 regarding the disposition of real estate for 403 Christ Street, setting the offering price at \$3,000; House seconded. Passed 5-0

Martin nor Rigney have not received any more complaints for the stop signs at LaFever and Mill.

Kemper motioned to approve license for improvements in right of way with Gregory Jump at 808 Countryside Dr., House motioned. Passed 5-0

Pursley motioned to approve Certificate of Substantial Completion for Industrial Parkway Roadway Improvements, Kemper seconded. Passed 5-0

Kemper motioned to approve Resolution 21-10-7 allowing transfers from one appropriation to another appropriation within a fund for the appropriations to remain in the black for the year 2021; House seconded. Passed 5-0

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Pursley motioned to accept The Bridges petition for annexation; Kemper seconded. Passed 5-0

Martin asked Council permission to purchase Christmas hams and turkeys again this year for employees and volunteers again in 2021. Barkley motioned to allow the purchase; Ealing seconded. Passed 5-0

Martin informed Council leafing will begin the last week in October.

Martin passed out an updated Water Emergency Plan. Pursley motioned to accept the plan, House seconded. Passed 5-0

Allison informed Council Cindy Imel, Deputy Clerk-Treasurer, resigned from her position. Kemper motioned to accept the resignation; House seconded. Passed 5-0 Allison will post the job opening and start the interview process. Allison also asked Council for permission to contract with Sally Bracke as a fill in, if necessary, at \$30/hour. Barkley motioned to allow a \$30/hour pay rate for an interim as needed, Pursley seconded. Passed 5-0

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

Pursley moved to approve claims of \$194,361.76 as presented. Kemper seconded. Passed 5-0

Kemper moved to adjourn. Pursley seconded. Meeting was adjourned at 7:29p.m.

## OSSIAN TOWN COUNCIL - Town of Ossian, Indiana

October 25, 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 Dennis Ealing present.

Barkley made note of a letter received in reference to The Bridges annexation petition, requesting to add additional parcels the were inadvertently missed, being the two ponds and sidewalk. These parcels were included in the fiscal plan.

Barkley opened the public hearing for annexation. There being no public comment, Pursley motioned to closed the hearing, Kemper seconded. Passed 5-0

Barkley opened the public hearing for garbage, refuse and recyclable collection. There being no public comment, Pursley motioned to closed the hearing, Kemper seconded. Passed 5-0

Pursley motioned to adopt Resolution 21-10-4 the Fiscal Plan for annexation for The Bridges. Kemper seconded. Passed 5-0

Barkley introduced Ordinance 21-11-1, annexing certain territory.

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Upon Council's unanimous consent to consider Ordinance 21-10-2 for adoption on the same day of its introduction, Kemper motioned to approve Ordinance 21-10-2, to increase the garbage and recyclable rate at \$18.56 per month, consisting of a \$1.50 per month administration fee. House seconded. Passed 5-0

Allison requested to hire Heather Shanks for the Deputy Clerk-Treasurer position at \$18.00 per hour. Pursley motioned to approve the hire, House seconded. Passed 5-0

There was discussion on the police salary pay matrix.

House motioned to approve air bottles for the Fire Dept not to exceed \$11,132.50; Pursley seconded. Passed 5-0

Kemper moved to adjourn. Pursley seconded. Meeting was adjourned at 7:28p.m.



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## EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES – OCTOBER 11, 2021 TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF OSSIAN, INDIANA

The Town Council of the Town of Ossian, Indiana, as authorized by applicable statute, specifically Indiana Code Section 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(4), met in executive session in the Town Council Meeting Room at 215 N. Jefferson Street, Ossian, Indiana on Monday, October 11, 2021, for the statutorily authorized purposes of interviews with industrial or commercial prospects or agents of industrial or commercial prospects by the Economic Development Commissions.

The meeting began at 6:00 p.m. and ended at  $\underline{\psi}$ :  $\underline{40}$  p.m. It is certified that no subject matter was discussed other than that specifically allowed and referenced above.

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