OSSIAN TOWN COUNCIL - Town of Ossian, Indiana

July 11, 2022 – 7:00 p.m. Collier's – 215 North Jefferson St.

Public Hearing

Council President, Josh Barkley called the Public Hearing to order for Additional Appropriations-Fire Funds. Council members, Brad Pursley and Jeff Kemper were present. After no public discussion Pursley motioned to adjourn. Kemper seconded. Passed 3-0

Council President, Josh Barkley called the Ossian Town Council Meeting to order with Council members, Brad Pursley and Jeff Kemper were present, Jason House and Dennis Ealing absent.

Approval of Minutes Pursley moved to approve the minutes of the June meeting. Kemper seconded. Passed 3-0

Dept./Committee Reports

Fire Dept. Ben reported 2023 preliminary one is set, for 2024 he purposed a discussion of how to handle lack of voluntaries during the week. Barkley said to talk with Ealing about budgets.

Park Board nothing to report

Police Commission Caleb asked if council had any questions on reports. In order for the police to work on their 2023 budget, they need to know council's intentions on salaries. Barkley said they should have something for them at the August meeting. Tucker reported the testing of new possible officers happened on Saturday. There is only 1 candidate who made it thru that process.

Old Business

API pay app#3 (Greenwood project) Pursley motioned to approve API's pay app #3. Kemper seconded. Passed 3-0

Ordinance 94.02 Keeping and Harboring Animals Larry Heckber and Phil DeNovo addressed his concerns for changing the ordinance. The Bridges covenants prohibit animals of that sort. No one spoke in support of changing the ordinance. Council was in favor of taking no action at this time.

Martin requested taking Scott Peterson off probation and increase the hourly wages of Peterson, Stout and Moeller. Pursley motioned to take Peterson off probation and increase Peterson to \$19.00, increase Stout to \$21.00 and increase Moller to \$17.00. Kemper seconded. Passed 3-0

New Business

Ordinance 22-07-01 "Additional Appropriation for Fire Fund" Pursley motioned to approve Ordinance 22-07-1. Kemper seconded. Passed 3-0

Melching Machine CF1 Pursley motioned to approve CF1. Kemper seconded. Passed 3-0 Energy Control SB-1 was moved to the August meeting.

Other Business Pertaining to the Town&/or Council

An adjustment was presented to council. Since it did not follow criteria no action was taken.

Approval of Time Cards Kemper motioned to approve time cards. Pursley seconded. Passed 3-0

Approval of Claims Pursley motioned to approve \$313,968.53 of claims. Kemper seconded.

MWM

Passed 3-0

OSSIAN REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

July 11, 2022 - 6:30 PM

President Jeff Kemper called the meeting to order. Attendees were Josh Barkley, Brad Pursley and Gene Donaghy.

Chad Kline address the area for the downtown TIF. The allocation area will be from North/South boundary Lafever Street – Mill Street and East/West boundary Odgen Street – Metts Street.

He also inquired if council was interested in doing the Residential TIF at the same time. This would allow a saving in the cost of public hearing and advertising. Gene asked if an educational meeting would be helpful. Chad will set up an educational zoom session with BakerTilly for all of council to listen to.

Adjournment Barkley motioned to adjourn. Pursley seconded. Passed 3-0

Ossian Park Board

June 6, 2022

Attendance: Tim Rohr, Gary Guenin, Meagan Luce, Jared Kurtz, and Jenni Milholland

- 1. Read and approved minutes from meeting on April 4, 2022
- 2. The new glass backboard in Melching Park has been shattered again. This backboard lasted 3 weeks. The Town must fund another backboard for approximately \$400. The new board has been ordered but currently is on back order. Discussed installing cameras for surveillance.
- 3. The Hubie Ashcroft band will be performing on 6-11-22 in The Event Center. An area to be sectioned off to be an alcohol area. September 10 is still open with no event yet scheduled.

MVM

- 4. Fireworks event on July 2, 2022 is all approved to have the show.
- 5. Next meeting is August 1, 2022, at 7pm
- 6. Meeting adjourned at 8:01 pm

ended: 18:33

NOTICE OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

Name of Governing Body:

Ossian Police Commissioners

Time and Date of Meeting:

August 2, 2022 6:00pm

Place of Meeting:

Collier's, 215 North Jefferson Street, Ossian, IN 46777

The governing body named above will conduct an executive session pursuant to IC 5-14-1.5-6(b) for the following reason(s):

- (1) Where authorized by federal or state statute
- (2) For discussion of strategy with respect to any of the following:
 - (A) Collective bargaining.
 - (B) Initiation of litigation or litigation that is either pending or has been threatened specifically in writing.
 - (C) The implementation of security systems.
 - (D) The purchase or lease of real property by the governing body up to the time a contract or option to purchase or lease is executed by the parties. (However, all such strategy discussions must be necessary for competitive or bargaining reasons and may not include competitive or bargaining adversaries.)
- (3) For the discussion of the assessment, design, and implementation of school safety and security measures, plans and systems.
- (4) Interviews with industrial or commercial prospects or agents of industrial or commercial prospects by the Department of Commerce, the Indiana Finance Authority, the Film Commission, the Indiana Business Modernization and Technology Corporation, or Economic Development Commissions.
- (5) To receive information about and interview prospective employees.
 - (6) With respect to any individual over whom the governing body has jurisdiction:
 - (A) To receive information concerning the individual's alleged misconduct; and
- (B) to discuss, before a determination, the individual's status as an employee, a student, or an independent contractor who is a physician.
 - (7) For discussion of records classified as confidential by state or federal statute.
- (8) To discuss job performance evaluation of individual employees. (This subdivision does not apply to a discussion of salary, compensation, or benefits of employees during a budget process.)
 - (9) When considering an appointment of a public official, to do the following;
 - (A) Develop a list of prospective appointees.
 - (B) Consider applications
 - (C) Make one (1) initial exclusion of prospective appointees from further discussion.

(Notwithstanding IC5-14-3-4(b)(12), a governing body may release and shall make available for inspection and copying in accordance with IC 5-14-3-3 identifying information concerning prospective appointees not initially excluded from further consideration. An initial exclusion of prospective appointees from further consideration may not reduce the number of prospective appointees to fewer than three (3) unless there are fewer than three (3) prospective appointees. Interviews of prospective appointees must be conducted at a meeting that is open to the public.

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