

OSSIAN TOWN COUNCIL – Town of Ossian, Indiana

June 11, 2018 - 7:00 p.m.

Ossian Town Hall – 507 North Jefferson

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

Pursley moved to approve the minutes of the May meetings. Dowty seconded.
Passed 4-0

Rose Barrick of the Storm Water Board and Jim Breckler of Engineering Resources reported that the only thing needed to get the Hickory Street Project going is a signature from Mr. Valenti.

Barrick and Breckler requested authorization to go ahead with the bidding and administration portion of Industrial Park Detention and Sanitary Sewer Improvements. Pursley moved to approve this with a second from Dowty. Passed 5-0

Barrick stated the need to have uniform standards for storm sewers in the Town of Ossian. She suggested Breckler draw up a plan for this. Barkley saw the need for this but requested of Breckler that the standards not be onerous toward contractors and developers. He further stated the need for uniformity with the Wells County Standards. Barrick and Breckler both agreed with this. Dowty moved to authorize Breckler to draw up the plan with the cost not to exceed Six Thousand (\$6000) dollars. Pursley seconded. Passed 5-0

Barrick announced the next meeting of the Storm Water Board is June 26 at 10:00 a.m. at the town hall.

Breckler reported that the bond issue for the sewer improvements would potentially happen in August. He then suggested a slight re-arranging of the 5 year capital plan in order to save on the cost. He recommended sealing the inflow at abandoned CSO locations, as well as, resealing the remaining CSO locations except for #8. He also recommended adding #8 to the existing Scadata System, rehabilitating manholes that are in need and collection system hydraulic modeling Pursley moved to authorize these changes with the design charges not to exceed Fifteen Thousand Three Hundred (\$15,300) dollars. Kemper seconded. Passed 5-0

Darrell Reynolds, certified sewer operator, told the council that two (2) overhead doors at the sewer plant are no longer operable and need to be replaced and that the ceiling in the same building is in serious need of repair. Breckler interjected that the structure of the ceiling is still solid and suggested a long-term solution to this problem. Reynolds had gotten a quote from Odle Corp. for Nineteen Hundred Twenty (\$1920) dollars for the overhead doors and Ten Thousand Six Hundred Sixty (\$10,660) dollars for the ceiling work. Dowty moved to make the necessary repairs at the cost stated above. Kemper seconded. Passed 5-0

Reynolds reported that the rubber bumpers on the clarifier were rapidly deteriorating. He stated that they are about eight (8) years old and the average life of these bumpers is five (5) years. Barkley moved to have these replaced at a cost not to exceed Six Thousand (\$6000) dollars. Pursley seconded. Passed 5-0

Reynolds then stated that the shingles on the sewer plant roof are frequently blowing off. He said they sometimes land in the clarifier, which is not good. Barkley recommended Reynolds call Landmark Pro for information on roofs and asked Town Manager, Luann Martin to get a quote.

Breckler told the council that they will be advertising for bids for the 2018 street repairs next week. Barkley asked that a picture of the proposed repairs be posted on the town website so everyone would have access to the information.

Breckler said the applications for the 2019 Community Crossings Grants are due sometime in August and we are ready to submit. He guessed that they would be awarded in the fall of 2018, which would allow us to accept bids over the winter for an early start in 2019.

Martin expressed the desire to hire Steve Dial as a seasonal part-time mower at Nine dollars and Forty Six cents (\$9.46) per hour. Sweeney moved to allow this and Kemper seconded. Passed 5-0 Martin added that they may need a larger mower to get mowing done faster.

Martin reported that the application for the grant for the Archbold-Wilson Park Pavilion had been submitted with a delegation from the Department of Natural Resources visiting this week to look over the site.

Kaleb Dienelt, of 710 North Jefferson Street, requested permission to park his long truck and trailer on Highway 1 during his lunch break. This area was recently designated as a “No Parking” area. He said it is a traffic hazard for him to block traffic trying to back into his driveway. He stated that in the evening there is not nearly as much traffic. Council granted this exception requesting that he keep his flasher lights on while parked on the highway.

Pursley also suggested we make an exception for the Town Wide Garage Sale day. Council asked Martin to convey this information to the Ossian Police Dept. to avoid any confusion.

Sweeney moved to approve the May time cards as presented. Pursley seconded.
Passed 5-0

Pursley moved to approve claims of \$113,887.19 as presented. Sweeney seconded.
Passed 5-0

Dowty moved to adjourn. Pursley seconded Meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

OSSIAN STORM WATER BOARD
TUESDAY, MAY 29TH, 2018 10:00 AM

Meeting was called to order at 10:01 am. Members present were, Tim Miller, Rose Barrick, Town Manager, Luann Martin and Jim Breckler, Engineering Resources.

MINUTES APPROVAL

Minutes from the past two meetings were approved by a motion approval of 2-0

OLD BUSINESS

Mike Lautzenheiser- Stormwater Standards

Mike Lautzenheiser from the Area Planning, attended the meeting to give board members an overview of creating storm water standards.

Also learned was that the county does have a standards ordinance for the county which includes all cities and towns.

Rose made a motion to have Engineering Resources do a study of Stormwater Standards at a cost not to exceed \$6,000. Motion passed 2-0.

RR / Rose Ann Heights Swale Update

Heard that Dick Witte is intending to sign the easement agreement.

Rose made a motion that once Witte signs the agreement, Luann should contact Jim Breckler of Engineering Resources to start the process of applying for the permit with the railroad to speed up the process. Motion passed 2-0.

TI Ditch and surrounding drainage / Industrial Park

Heard from Jim Breckler, there are several permits in process.

Still need to obtain a couple of easements, bid packages and negotiate the cost share with Hillcrest Development.

Budget

As of 5/29/2018, the Storm Water Budget is as follows,
Checking \$180,971.09 Savings \$83,632.36

Board Member

Position is still vacant at this time.

NEW BUSINESS

Nothing new to report at this time

Update from Town Manager

Look into the detention pond on the north side of the apartments on Parent Dr. The current owner is not taking care of it. Will have Jim Look this over and give us a recommendation on what we should do next. Possibly take it over as well.

Next meeting

The next meeting for the Ossian Storm Water Board will be Tuesday, June 26th, 2018 at 10:00am at the Town Hall.

With no further business for the board to discuss, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, Tim Miller, President