

OSSIAN TOWN COUNCIL – Town of Ossian, Indiana

June 8, 2020 – 7:00 p.m.

Ossian Town Hall – 507 North Jefferson

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

Sweeney moved to approve the minutes of the May meeting. Brickley seconded. Passed 5-0

Barrick asked for Council's approval for engineering design work for the Oakdale Drainage Project not to exceed \$10,800. Sweeney motioned to approve; Kemper seconded. Passed 5-0. Barrick informed Council that Stormwater Board cancelled their last meeting, planned originally for June 6th. The meeting was to hear from residents on Meadow Lane, but was cancelled due to the pandemic.

Police Chief, David Rigney, and Sergeant Tucker presented bars of commendation to officers Russ Mounsey and Brian McClish for saving a life after responding to a call on Sept. 24, 2019.

Barkley left the room. Vice-President, Brad Pursley lead the discussion. Brickley motioned to accept Josh Barkley's conflict of interest form, Kemper seconded. Passed 4-0 with Barkley abstaining.

Park President, Joe Lewis, approached the table, and recommended for Council to approve the Archbold-Wilson Memorial Park Pavilion Project and move forward with Barkley Builders as the contractor based on approval and recommendation of the Project Architect, Joe Humbert.

Kemper motioned to accept Barkley's Builder's bid for a base amount of \$638,000 with alternates 2 and 3, \$3,000 and \$21,000 respectively, and voluntary alternate of (\$9,000) for a total of \$653,000. Sweeney seconded. Passed 4-0 with Barkley abstaining.

Kemper motioned to approve Notice of Award; Sweeney seconded. Passed 4-0 with Barkley abstaining.

Brickley motioned to have Pursley sign the Archbold Wilson Pavilion Park Construction Contract, Kemper seconded. Passed 4-0 with Barkley abstaining.


Barkley rejoined the meeting.

Ryan Fry, from TI Group Automotive, and Wells County Economic Director, Chad Kline, presented a SB-1 for 4 new projects with a total invest cost of \$5,650,000. The investment is to replace their current equipment, resulting in retention of jobs. Kline said he did not use the point scale because he knew it would well meet the 10-year requirement. Pursley motioned to approve Resolution 20-6-1 for TI Group Automotive Systems abatement on a 10-year scale, Sweeney seconded. Passed 5-0

Kline discussed Perma-Column's CF-1 on an abatement approved last year. Kemper motioned to approve CF-1; Sweeney seconded. Passed 5-0

Kline next discussed Haldrup's CF-1. He informed Council they are now just servicing at their Ossian location and that production has moved to Germany. Three quarters of the building is leased out to another company and is being utilized. Barkley recalled a previous conversation, giving

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Haldrup another 6 months last year at this time and they still have not met their requirements. Haldrup did not give any projections. Kemper motioned to deny the CF-1; Pursley seconded. Passed 5-0

Breckler introduced Payment Application #2 to Cornerstone Stewards for \$35,002.80 and made the recommendation to authorize payment. Brickley motioned to approve payment, Kemper seconded. Passed 5-0

Pursley motioned to pass Salary Ordinance 20-6-2 reflecting a range in pay for General Maintenance worker hired in 2020; Sweeney seconded. Passed 5-0

Barkley introduced a Fireworks Ordinance 20-6-3. He informed Council that he called a few residents in Town to ask their opinion concerning the Fireworks Ordinance. Most feedback was in favor of the ordinance restricting the times and dates further than what the state allows. Brickley reached out to 6 people, 1 was for it and 5 were against. Brickley stated she would rather let the issue be covered under the noise ordinance. Barkley asked Rigney what our noise ordinance currently states. Rigney responded that it's currently compliant driven and stated as "if it disturbs the peace," but there is no time restriction mentioned in it. As far as State law regarding fireworks, it states that the firework must land on your property after it has been deployed. There was much discussion addressing both sides of the Ordinance. Kemper motioned to pass 20-6-3 on the first reading, Sweeney seconded. Passed 4-1 with Brickley opposing.

Sweeney discussed a request from the Police Dept to receive 8.5 hours of pay when training out of town regardless of actual training hours. Allison stated she would check with town attorney Mike Hartburg to see if the Town would be able to do that or if that would be considered ghost employment.

Sweeney recommended to change the travel policy for meals to be reimbursed at a maximum per diem rate of \$40. Sweeney also shared the request from the Police Dept for a department credit card. Barkley motioned to increase the diem rate to \$40 and keep credit card policy as is; Pursley seconded. Passed 5-0

Breckler discussed the need to rehabilitate Industrial Parkway. The rehabilitation would be completed in two phases. Phase one will be approximately 900 linear feet west of the Norfolk Southern Railroad east to approximately 600 linear feet west of State Road 1. The second, future phase will be 600 linear feet west of State Road 1 to State Road 1. After more discussion, Pursley motioned to use Engineering Resources to design improvements for Industrial Parkway not to exceed \$87,400, Kemper seconded. Passed 5-0

For utility adjustments, Barkley stated that account 10410328 does not meet the criteria for an adjustment. Another adjustment request, by account 10167657, followed the adjustment criteria, and Pursley motioned to approve the adjustment in the amount of \$122.98, Sweeney seconded. Passed 5-0

Previous Area Plan Commission appointee, Lesley Wyss, declined the position upon further consideration. Brickley motioned to appoint Melissa Woodworth as the Area Plan Commission liaison, Kemper seconded. Passed 5-0

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Sweeney motioned to approve License for Improvement in Right of Way with Benjamin Jones at 407 Sandalwood Drive, Pursley seconded. Passed 5-0

Sweeney moved to approve time cards and memo attached as presented. Brickley seconded. Passed 5-0

Pursley moved to approve claims of \$137,866.41 as presented. Brickley seconded. Passed 5-0

Pursley moved to adjourn. Brickley seconded. Meeting was adjourned at 8:29p.m.

OSSIAN TOWN COUNCIL – Town of Ossian, Indiana
June 15, 2020 – 5:30p.m.
Ossian Town Hall – 507 North Jefferson

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

Barkley introduced Fireworks Ordinance 20-6-3 for a second reading. There was a lot of discussion from emails received and residents in attendance, some in favor and others against. Sweeney motioned to pass Fireworks Ordinance 20-6-3, Pursley seconded. Passed 4-1 with Brickley opposing.

Barkley discussed the downtown building that the Town owns at 103 N. Jefferson. The Town received a recent complaint from the next-door business of a water leak. A structural engineer looked at the building and suggested taking the building down and reconstructing the walls of the businesses next door. Barkley estimated about \$15,000 for labor for a crew to take it down and another \$7,500 to clean up the debris. Kemper motioned to demolish the building at a cost not to exceed \$50,000; Sweeney seconded. Passed 5-0

Martin introduced a job description she prepared for a Compliance Inspector. Martin explained that if Council wanted to hire someone, they first needed to approve of the job description. The Compliance Inspector would be a seasonal worker working about 2 hours per week. Barkley motioned to approve the job description, Brickley seconded. Passed 5-0

There being no other business, Barkley moved to adjourn. Kemper seconded. Meeting was adjourned at 6:20p.m.

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**EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES – JUNE 15, 2020
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)(2)(B), met in executive session in the Town Hall, 507 North Jefferson Street, Ossian, Indiana on Monday, June 15, 2020 for the statutorily authorized purposes of discussion of strategy with respect to the initiation of litigation or litigation that is either pending or has been threatened specifically in writing.

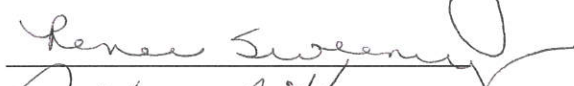
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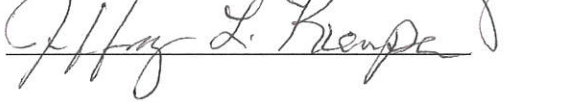
The meeting began at ~~5:45~~ p.m. and ended at 6:46 p.m. It is certified that no subject matter was discussed other than that specifically allowed and referenced above.

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Ossian, Indiana









Attest:







Ossian Park Board

June 1, 2020

Attendance: Tim Rohr, Dodie Filchak, Ashley Harmon, and Joe Lewis

1. Read and approved minutes from 3-4-20 meeting.
2. Archbold Wilson Park amphitheater bids came in:

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| Barkley | \$638,000 |
| CME | \$892,800 |

Both bids were reviewed by PDMI. They recommended accepting the bid from Barkley Builders for \$638,000. This reduced cost should allow park board to build entire project, including playground equipment. The new bid included reduced cost by using different building materials. Ashley motioned to accept bid from Barkley Builders for \$638,000. Dodie seconded. Passed 4-0. Bid now to be forwarded to Town Council.

3. Splash pads to open on June 14th if rules per Governor do not change.
4. Town to try and open parks on June 14th. If more restrictions come about, the parks may not open this year.
5. No baseball games until at least June 14th. Schedules to be obtained when games begin.
6. Next meeting on July 6, 2020.
7. Meeting adjourned at 7:42pm.

OSSIAN REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION – Special Meeting

June 8, 2020 - 7:00 p.m.

Ossian Town Hall – 507 North Jefferson

Jeff Kemper, Redevelopment President, Barkley called the meeting to order at 7:00p.m. with Commission members Brad Pursley, Athena Brickley, Josh Barkley, and Renee Sweeney present. Gene Donaghy was absent.

Barkley motioned to pass Resolution 20-6-1 determining the need to capture incremental assessed valuation, Sweeney seconded. Passed 5-0

There being no other business, Barkley moved to adjourn with a second from Brickley. Meeting was adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

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