

## Battle Ground Town Council

Meeting Minutes, March 11, 2019

Attending: Zach Raderstorf, Council President; Councilors Greg Jones, James Miller, Steve Egly, Clerk Treasurer Georgia Jones, Town Attorney Eric Burns, Street Supervisor Ron Holladay, Town Marshal Jerry Burk. Not attending: Mike Bird

Guests: Ron Evans, Joanne Kuhn Titolo, Colin Sullivan, Ed Geisler, Sue Geisler, Angela Bisher

Zach Raderstorf opened the meeting at 6:00 p.m.

### **Guest Comment:**

Free Little Library - Sue Geisler requested permission to place a Free Little Library book box in one or two places in Battle Ground. The town council believes it is up to property owners to agree to have the boxes placed on their property. The council agrees to have a book box placed at town hall.

Dave Buck reported the contract with Midwest Paving has been executed and the payment bond and certificate of liability are ready to scan.

**Motion** by Steve Egly to approve the paving contract with Midwest Paving LLC. Second of Greg Jones, motion carried. 4 Aye, 0 Nay.

Tippecanoe County approved the North 9<sup>th</sup> Street paving bid alternate #1 from Milestone Paving. The Memo of Understanding, contract and itemized bid proposal will be available soon to submit the project to INDOT with a request for funds to meet the April 1 deadline.

### **Sewage Department**

Adjustments to the Kaeser blower are done and ready for summer operation. Recently there were two instances of rag balls cleared from the collection system; twelve pounds under College Street and five pounds at the main lift station.

The recent work by AccuDig cleaning sewer mains in historic Battle Ground resulted in hundreds of feet of damaged pipe. Ron Holladay took time to view eight hours of video to research the damaged areas. A repair plan will be worked out with engineering consultants and the vendor's insurance company. Joanne Kuhn Titolo requested that homeowners in the area be notified of the type of repair and how the anticipated work schedule will affect the neighborhood.

Dave Buck suggested the town council consider setting up emergency on-call arrangements for situations that require consultation or research. Butler Fairman and Seufert would offer a task order with a "not-to-exceed" amount that would cover a few hours of consultation service at the request of the town council.

### **Street Department**

The leaf vac truck will be operating in April to clean street gutters and get ready for the first street sweeping in May. This will be advertised with the Spring Yard Spruce-Up to help homeowners with spring yard cleanup. Leaves at the curb will be picked up April 8-19.

## Police

Equipment purchases on the grant are being prepared. Jerry Burk reports a savings in the body camera models selected that will allow the department to purchase of a total of four cameras on the grant.

A flyer announcing the Spring Yard Spruce-Up was approved for direct mail to town residents.

## Town Attorney

Eric Burns noted that the only remaining piece of the old hotel is the elevator column. The receiver has requested the second draw for demolition expenses. **Motion** by Steve Egly to approve \$30,000 payable to KB Associates. Second of Greg Jones, motion carried. 4 Aye, 0 Nay

The meeting to discuss 600N hill with Fox Paving was postponed until March 12 at 4:00 p.m.

## Clerk-Treasurer

**Motion** by Steve Egly to approve the minutes of February 11 and February 21 meetings. Second of Greg Jones, motion carried. 4 Aye, 0 Nay

**Motion** by Greg Jones to approve the register of claims February 12 to March 11. Second of Steve Egly, motion carried. 4 Aye, 0 Nay. The board treasurer reviewed the February 28 fund report.

A resolution to transfer funds for the purpose of grant equipment purchases was presented.

**Motion** by Steve Egly to adopt resolution 19-101 transfer of funds from 245 Rainy Day to 301 Grants. Second of Greg Jones, motion carried. 4 Aye, 0 Nay

## Area Plan

At the April meeting the ordinance committee will consider whether to allow wind farms in the county.

## Committees

**Communication** - It is time to work on the spring newsletter. **Motion** by Steve Egly to use promotional budget to pay for direct mail to promote the Spring Yard Spruce-Up Day in April. Second of Greg Jones, motion carried. 4 Aye, 0 Nay

**Personnel** – No Report

**Streets and Sidewalks** – Bid information will be available from Milestone, for Alternate #1, to send the INDOT award request for funds.

**Wastewater and Storm Water** - Steve Egly mentioned that it is time to review the capital plan developed for the storm water utility and set goals for projects that were identified.

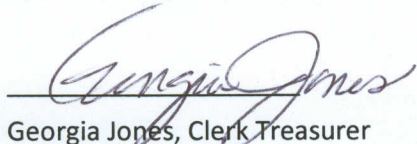
## Old Business

North Street Sidewalk - Cracks that should not be showing up in new concrete were observed recently. Joanne Kuhn Titolo will collect photos and monitor the measurements of the cracks.

Total Patch application - The county highway department has agreed to provide the Total Patcher work needed on 600N and other streets.

## New Business - None

**Motion** to adjourn 7:20 p.m. by Steve Egly

  
Georgia Jones, Clerk Treasurer

  
Zach Raderstorf, Council President