

Battle Ground Town Council

Meeting Minutes, September 12, 2022

Attending: Council President James Miller, Councilors Steve Hahn, Greg Jones. Also attending: Town Supervisor Ron Holladay, Town Marshal Jerry Burk, Attorney Patrick Jones, Clerk-Treasurer Georgia Jones. Councilors Mary Jo Totten and Matt Coppock did not attend.

Guests in person: Colin Sullivan, Dave Buck

Guests attending virtually: Joe Kline, Bill Jones

James Miller called to order at 6:08 p.m.

Minutes

Greg Jones moved to approve the minutes of August 8 and August 15 meetings. Second of Steve Hahn, **motion** carried with 3 Aye and 2 Absent.

Town Attorney

Two Hawks Nest project easements are still not secured and recorded. Documents for administrative settlements are needed, and one property is in process of court determination for an easement taking.

There is a situation with local residents going door to door asking for money or a ride. This is not illegal, however if anyone wants to file a nuisance complaint or property theft, they need to contact the town marshal.

Contract Services

Tomahawk Change Orders

The Tomahawk Lane reconstruction has required several change orders which have been presented to the town council as the project progressed. Colin Sullivan presented signature copies and Steve Hahn moved to approve them as a group, reserving the right to assign responsibility. Second of Greg Jones, **motion** carried with 3 Aye and 2 Absent.

Order #1, selecting alternates reduces bid price	-\$128,200.00 deduct
Order #2, T & M to maintain flow at new sanitary install	\$3,022.06
Order #3, sanitary / storm conflict, add structure	\$15,520.00
Order #4, convert shared water taps to single	\$14,877.00
Order #5, adjust plan quantities for single and dual meter pits	\$16,980.00
Order #6, water main conflict with new storm sewer	\$7,000.00

Change order #7 was mentioned but not submitted at this time.

Hawks Nest lift station update

Easement documents will be prepared for signatures. Steve Hahn moved to approve the settlement for Parcel #4 (Brown) at \$14,500. Second of Greg Jones, **motion** carried with 3 Aye and 2 Absent.

Greg Jones moved to approve the settlement for Parcel # 10 (Stockment) at \$12,500. Second of Steve Hahn, **motion** carried with 3 Aye and 2 Absent. One stipulation of this agreement is that a specified

amount, \$2850, will be donated to a non-profit of the town council's choosing. The final project schedule has not been confirmed.

There have been requests to make changes to driveway approaches. Any changes approved by the town council are at property owner expense and payment is due prior to construction. Rob Surber will work out cost for the owners and advise town hall of amount due. A property on the corner of Sherman Street requested an approach on Tomahawk to serve an outbuilding facing that street. The current drive is a few feet from the intersection of Tomahawk and Sherman Street. Steve Hahn moved to investigate relocating the current drive at a cost not to exceed \$2500. Second of Greg Jones, **motion** carried with 3 Aye and 2 absent. Steve and Jerry Burk will review building codes for this project.

Clerk-Treasurer

The Claims for August 9 to September 12 were reviewed. Greg Jones moved to accept the claims, with second of Steve Hahn. **Motion** carried with 3 Aye and 2 Absent.

Greg Jones moved to pay the annual website host fee from Promotions. Second of Steve Hahn, **motion** carried with 3 Aye and 2 Absent.

The public hearing for the 2023 Budget was rescheduled to September 26 to meet the advertising requirement. Same time and location: Town Hall at 6:00 p.m.

Police

The Tippecanoe Township Volunteer Fire Department is hosting a fall festival Saturday October 8. North Street will be closed for one block, and State Road 225 traffic will divert to Winans Street during that time.

Deputy BJ Moyars will attend detective school for certification as an investigator. In order to provide a female investigator, Sooyeon Shin, will also attend and be hired as a consultant to the department when needed.

There is stone on Northgate Court left by Pavement Solutions that needs to be removed.

Utilities and Street Department

New reflectors were installed on Prophets Rock Road at the CR 600 intersection and a "stop ahead" sign was placed at the top of the hill.

A manhole at River Bluffs was cleaned out and found to contain a large volume of personal wipes. As the manhole served only one property, it may become necessary to charge the excessive cleaning costs to that property.

Area Plan

Greg Jones reported Tim Strohshine was hired for Area Plan, as John Thomas is leaving the department.

Committees

Transportation – The application for CCMG 2022-2 was submitted.

Public Relations / Communication – deferred

Strategic Planning – deferred

Citizen Advisory Groups – no report

Old Business

The opioid settlement has not been received. The reporting might be onerous and some small communities are questioning if the cost to administer is greater than the small amount of revenue.

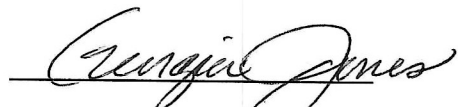
New Business

Patrick Jones will research state code to determine if Battle Ground is required to recertify town council districts.

The Stockment easement settlement states that the town will donate an amount to a non-profit selected by the town. BFS will check the wording of the agreement. The council will need to agree on the recipient.

Battle Ground land use plan update will involve a committee, and the council will recommend participant names to Area Plan to get the project started.

Motion to adjourn 8:05 p.m. by Greg Jones with second of Steve Hahn.


Georgia Jones, Clerk Treasurer


James Miller, Council President

Memorandum of Open-Door Law Compliance
Battle Ground Town Council

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Time: 6:00 p.m.

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Member Present Virtually on screen: None

Member Present by Telephone: None

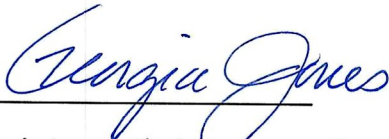
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Georgia Jones, Clerk-Treasurer, Financial Clerk