

NEW WHITELAND TOWN COUNCIL

February 18, 2020
MEETING MINUTES

Town Council President John Perrin opened the meeting at 5:00 p.m. with the pledge to the American flag. Council members present were Mike Rogier, Scott Alspach, John Schilawski and John Perrin. Also present were Attorney Lee Robbins and Clerk-Treasurer Maribeth Alspach. Councilman Alspach offered the opening prayer. Councilman Frank Vaughn was absent.

MINUTES

Councilman Schilawski moves to approve the minutes of the February 4th meeting and is seconded by Councilman Rogier. **Vote 4 affirmative.**

HARDSHIPS / ADJUSTMENTS

K. Crosby, 450 Sonora Circle is requesting an adjustment on her sewer bill. Ms. Crosby states they had a leak in the meter pit that was reported to IAW in December but was just recently repaired. IAW has issued a credit on the water side. The water was shut off the 3rd week of December for non-payment. The former homeowner is deceased and when the children took over the property, they did not set up an account with us. Attorney Robbins states we need to research the number of gallons of water billed since the estate set up a new account with IAW. Attorney Robbins wants to see a copy of the IAW bill with the credit adjustment so that we can try and calculate our charges based on the volume of water used / billed. Attorney Robbins adds that that amount is the minimum that will be due but additional charges could be considered depending on the research. Once the sewer rates are applied, they will be added to the trash and storm water charges that are past due for the 450 Sonora Circle property. When Attorney Robbins has determined the fair amount of the adjustment, he will contact Ms. Crosby. Once that amount has been collected and Ms. Crosby sets up a new account with IAW in her name the service can be restored. Councilman Rogier moves to accept payment from K. Crosby for the adjusted sewer amount once that has been calculated plus any outstanding storm water and trash charges. Ms. Crosby has closed the Estate account and will set up a new account in her name. Once all outstanding charges have been paid service can be restored. Councilman Schilawski seconds the motion. **Vote 4 affirmative.**

TREASURER'S REPORT

Clerk-Treasurer Alspach presents copies of the Fund Report and Docket for approval for February 21st. Councilman Alspach moves to approve and ratify both reports and is seconded by Councilman Rogier. **Vote 4 affirmative.**

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

None.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

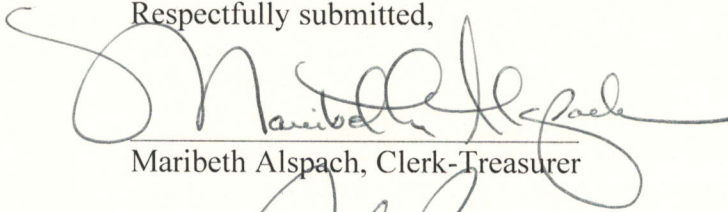
LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS

Ordinance 2020-03

Attorney Robbins presents the ordinance re-establishing our Cumulative Capital Development tax rate. Attorney Robbins explains this must be done annually to lock in the assessed value to collect the highest rate possible under the law. Councilman Schilawski moves to approve the ordinance on first reading and is seconded by Councilman Alspach. **Vote 4 affirmative.** Attorney Robbins will publish notice for the required public hearing that will take place on March 3rd.

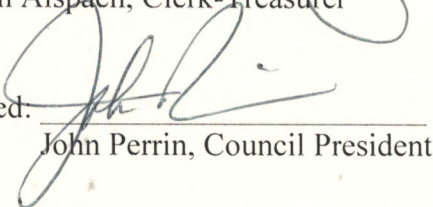
Being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Maribeth Alspach, Clerk-Treasurer

Approved.



John Perrin, Council President