NEW WHITELAND TOWN COUNCIL MARCH 16, 2021 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 John Perrin, Frank Vaughn, Chad Waltz, John Schilawski and Scott Alspach. Also present were Attorney Lee Robbins and Clerk-Treasurer Maribeth Alspach. Councilman Schilawski offered the opening prayer.

MINUTES

Councilman Schilawski moves to approve the minutes of the February 16th meeting and is seconded by Councilman Waltz. **Vote 5 affirmative.**Councilman Vaughn moves to approve the minutes of the March 2nd meeting and is seconded by Councilman Alspach. **Vote 5 affirmative.**

HARDSHIPS / ADJUSTMENTS

None.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Clerk-Treasurer Alspach presents copies of the Fund Report and Docket for March 2nd and 16th for approval. Councilman Vaughn moves to approve and ratify all reports and is seconded by Councilman Waltz. **Vote 5 affirmative.**

PUBLIC HEARING

President Perrin opens the public hearing for the additional appropriation at 5:04 p.m. Clerk-Treasurer Alspach introduces Resolution 2101-01 and states that the notice for this hearing was published in the Daily Journal. There are no questions or comments. The public hearing is closed at 5:06 p.m. Councilman Schilawski moves to approve Resolution 2101-01 and is seconded by Councilman Alspach. **Vote 5 affirmative.**

Attorney Robbins opens the public hearing to re-establish the Cumulative Capital Development rate at 5:08 p.m. and introduces Ordinance 2101-01. Attorney Robbins reads and explains the ordinance that will re-establish the rate at the maximum level of \$0.05 per \$100.00 as assessed value. Robbins states that this needs to be done annually. Robbins adds that all advertising requirements have been met. Being no questions or comments, the public hearing is closed at 5:10 p.m. Councilman Alspach moves to adopt Ordinance 2101-01 and is seconded by Councilman Vaughn. Vote 5 affirmative. Councilman Vaughn moves to suspend the rules and consider the ordinance on final reading and is seconded by Councilman Alspach. Vote 5 affirmative. President Perrin reads the ordinance in title only on final reading. Councilman Vaughn moves to approve Ordinance 2101-01 on final reading and is seconded by Councilman Waltz. Vote 5 affirmative.

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

None.

OLD BUSINESS

Community Clean-Up Day

Council President Perrin has received a written proposal from Strouse. The proposal is less than the one previously received from Best Way. Councilman Waltz moves to accept the proposal from Strouse and is seconded by Councilman Schilawski. **Vote 5 affirmative.** Discussion is held on a date for the event and a tentative date of June 12th is chosen. President Perrin will contact Strouse to schedule the event. We will also confirm availability

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with Technology Recyclers to collect items that cannot go to the landfill. These items would be accepted for a fee which would be collected by Technology Recyclers not the town. Once the date is confirmed and a list of those items that will be accepted is compiled, we will put together a notice to send our residents. This is a New Whiteland only event and proof of residency will be required.

NEW BUSINESS

Essential Service Letter Request

Clerk-Treasurer Alspach presents a request from Best Way for a letter stating that their services are essential to our community in the event of an emergency, natural disaster or pandemic. Alspach has prepared a letter for President Perrin's signature with the Council's approval. Councilman Waltz approves sending the letter and is seconded by Councilman Schilawski. Vote 5 affirmative.

Lennar Homes

Clerk-Treasurer Alspach presents a status report on Section 1 of Grassy Manor. Of the 52 lots 33 building permits have been applied for. It appears that the average cost of the homes is lower than what was implied during the approval process for the development but most permits have been \$200,000.00 so they will be higher priced homes than is currently available in most of New Whiteland. Beazer Homes is in the final approval process and should begin pulling permits soon.

Asset Management Plan

Clerk-Treasurer Alspach distributes copies of the 12/31/2020 summary report as filed with Gateway.

Leo's Eatery

President Perrin states he is sending information to a franchise on the US 31 property in front of Country Gate. He has spoken with a gentleman who has some interest in expanding into this area.

LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS

None.

Being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Maribeth Alspach, Clerk-Treasurer

Approved:

John Perrin, President