

A meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Williamsport was held at 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, June 16, 2022 at the Warren County Learning Center with the following officers present – Randy Wurtsbaugh, Council President and Council Members Jim Lanham and Paul Coffman. Also present were Mike Hutchison, Clerk-Treasurer and Town Attorney, Ingrid Barce, Amy Cushman, Ted Latoz, Gene Snoeberger, Wade Armes, Kevin Strickler, Emily Albaugh, Eric Smith, Mark Hutson, Vickie Strickler, Michele Stucky, Miles Stucky, and Sharon Hutchison.

Randy Wurtsbaugh called the meeting to order.

Randy Wurtsbaugh made a motion to approve May meeting minutes. Paul Coffman seconded the motion. Voted and passed.

Randy Wurtsbaugh made a motion to approve claims provided. Paul Coffman seconded the motion. Voted and passed.

Randy Wurtsbaugh opened the grant hearing.

Emily Albaugh, with KIRPC, discussed the grant Williamsport is applying for through the Office of Rural and Community Affairs for the Town's upcoming water project. The grant being applied for is a \$700,000.00 grant that would assist the Town in funding the work needed to improve water supply, flow, and pressure to four areas of the town and work needed on the town's water Tower. The Town must complete the application process by July 1st. The Town would also by applying for an SRF loan to help fund the total project cost of 1.8 million dollars.

Eric Smith, with HWC, discussed the four areas of Williamsport that will be focused on for the water project and the work necessary to increase pressure and flow, as well as work needed on the water tower. If Williamsport is awarded the grant through the Office of Rural and Community Affairs, the project could start in the spring of 2023 and would hope to be completed in six months.

Emily Albaugh presented the Council with a resolution authorizing the grant application submission to the Office of Rural and Community Affairs, as well as authorizing the Town's local match commitment of 1.1%.

Randy Wurtsbaugh made a motion to approve Resolution 2022-0616, authorizing grant application submission and local match commitment. Paul Coffman seconded the motion. Voted and passed.

Randy Wurtsbaugh made a motion to approve a resolution for the SRF loan program for the water project. Jim Lanham seconded the motion. Voted and passed.

Randy Wurtsbaugh made a motion to approve a resolution designating a signatory for the SRF loan. Paul Coffman seconded the motion. Voted and passed.

Randy Wurtsbaugh closed the grant hearing.

Darlene McCormick, with the 4-H Fair Board, asked if the Town would like to make a donation for the fireworks at the Warren County 4-H fair this year.

Paul Coffman made a motion to donate \$750.00 to the fireworks display. Randy Wurtsbaugh seconded the motion. Voted and passed.

Ingrid Barce stated there are no UBO's this month. John Kuiper will attend the July hearing to discuss open UBO's.

Randy Wurtsbaugh discussed a complaint received on the condition of the property at 133 Fourth Street. Ted Latoz will look into ordinance violations at the property.

Randy Wurtsbaugh discussed complaints on stray cats in Town.

Vickie Strickler discussed the possibility of allowing Shawnee Learning Center to use the pool one hour, one time a week for ten adults outside of normal operating hours and if so, what should they be charged for the pool use. A liability waiver for the group will be signed.

Council approved the use of the pool for Shawnee Learning Center and stated to charge \$20 per week.

Vickie Strickler discussed making the pavilion handicap accessible. Affordable Concrete has offered to do the work and donate the labor. The material cost is \$2,800.00 and WCCF is paying the full cost of the material.

Randy Wurtsbaugh made a motion to approve the ramp construction at the park pavilion. Paul Coffman seconded the motion. Voted and passed.

Vickie Stricker asked if security cameras could be placed within the park due to multiple instances of vandalism. Vickie will get quotes for camera cost and provide them at the next meeting.

Miles Stucky presented the Council with a quote for 4-72" basketball posts and backboards. Total cost is \$10,724.00.

Paul Coffman made a motion to approve to purchase of four basketball goals. Randy Wurtsbaugh seconded the motion. Voted and passed.

The Council asked Kevin Strickler about the port-a-potty for the boat dock area. Kevin stated he will get one.

Ted Latoz discussed purchasing an extended warranty for the police Tahoe at a cost of \$3,185.00. This will extend the warranty to 60 months or 75,000 miles. No decision was made at this time.

Ted Latoz discussed damage done to Gene Snoeberger's Tahoe during an active pursuit. Information has been submitted to insurance and the Tahoe is at the shop for repairs.

Wade Armes discussed an increase of \$2,585.17 in the estimate for repairs on the fire truck.

Paul Coffman made a motion to approve the \$2,585.17 increase for repairs to the fire truck. Jim Lanham seconded the motion. Voted and passed.

Wade Armes asked if the Town would pay the \$300.00 cost of port-a-potties for the Motorama again this year.

Paul Coffman made a motion to approve paying \$300.00 for port-a-potties for the Motorama this year. Randy Wurtsbaugh seconded the motion. Voted and passed.

Wade Armes discussed cooling issues at the fire station. Randy Wurtsbaugh will contact Reynold's Heating and Cooling to discuss possible solutions and price quotes.

Paul Coffman made a motion to approve \$500 for the purchase of two industrial-sized fans for the fire department. Jim Lanham seconded the motion. Voted and passed.

Randy Wurtsbaugh discussed appointing a new library board member to represent Williamsport.

Randy Wurtsbaugh made a motion to appoint Christopher Crawford to the Williamsport-Washington Township Library Board. Paul Coffman seconded the motion. Jim Lanham abstained from the vote.

Randy Wurtsbaugh will notify Christopher Crawford, have him fill out an application, and swear him in.

Paul Coffman provided an update on Enterprise program. Due to short windows of opportunity to bid on high-demand trucks, Paul asked if the Council would be open to allowing Sam Shelton with Enterprise, the flexibility to bid on trucks on behalf of the Town that meet our specifications, when bidding opens.

The Council will hold a work session at Town Hall on June 21st at noon.

Amy Cushman provided the Council with one leak adjustment that has been ongoing for almost one year.

The Council has requested the ordinance for leak adjustments be reviewed prior to making a decision on the adjustment.

Ingrid Barce opened the hearing for the repeal of the Indiana Utility Receipt Tax.

Ingrid Barce discussed the repeal of the IURT passed by the state of Indiana and asked for public comments. There were no public comments.

Randy Wurtsbaugh made a motion to approve Ordinance 2022-0616, repealing the utility receipt tax from Williamsport's electric and water rates. Paul Coffman seconded the motion. Voted and passed.

Ingrid Barce closed the IURT hearing.

Ingrid Barce stated review and discussion of the Town's code will need to be done soon.

Randy Wurtsbaugh made a motion to adjourn. Paul Coffman seconded the motion. Voted and passed.

With no further business to come before the Council the meeting was adjourned.

ATTEST Michael D. Hutchison Randy H. Wustbrayl,
President

R.H.W.,
Member

James E. Lanham
Member