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AARON TRAVIS
COUNCIL PRESIDENT

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

March 20, 2023
Swayzee Town Hall

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Paul Hamilton, Vice President.

Present were Paul Hamilton, Vice President; Rhonda Fagan: Heather Zirkle and Austin Roark, Town Board Members.

Also in attendance were: Trey Boswell, Town Manager; Desiree Arenas, Clerk Treasurer; Kyle Persinger, Town Attorney and Chad Van Erman, Deputy.

Visitors: Eric Woodmansee with AME Consulting, Kyle Alvis, Mrs. Hiatt and C. McClain residents, Tyler Bundrick and Mike Spaulding with Swayzee Volunteer Fire Department, Angie Moyer with ECIRPD,.

Paul Hamilton led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Heather Zirkle made a motion to accept the February 20, 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes. Austin Roark seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a vote of 4-0-1.

Ordinance 02-2023 for Sewer rate increase was opened up to the floor for discussion again. No one had any questions or concerns. Ordinance will be adopted on April 17, 2023 meeting.

Swayzee's Town Attorney Kyle Persinger opened bids for the CCMG Road Project.

Bids were as follows:

1. Brooks Construction - \$124,016.00
2. Gaunt and Son - \$162,205.00
3. DC Construction - \$119,625.97
4. E&B Paving - \$115,097.00

Paul Hamilton made a motion to accept the bid from E&B Paving for the CCMG Road Project. Rhonda Fagan seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a vote of 4-0-1.

E&B Paving was the lowest bid and was awarded the project on 3/20/23.

VISITORS

Mrs. Hiatt is having a flood issue in her yard over her driveway. She will send pictures to the Clerk's Office.

Tyler Bundrick inquired about the town allowing chickens in Swayzee.

The Easter Egg Hunt will be April 1, 2023. The Clerk's Office will put up signs around town to announce the date.

Rhonda Fagan made a motion to accept Resolution 01-2023 to purchase 101 S. Taylor St. at the tax sale. Heather Zirkle seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a vote of 4-0-1.

Trey has secured 101 S. Taylor St. Kyle will order the Title Search. The 90 day deadline for Mr. Watkins to redeem the property is June 21, 2023. September 1, 2023 will be the date of demolition.

The Philabaum building will be demolished June 1st - 15th.

CLERK TREASURER

Desiree will be attending the 28th Annual ILMCT Institute in Muncie March 19-23, 2023.

The new sewer rates were sent to Keystone for processing and will take effect and will be on the bills for May, 2023.

The Town Rummages will be on June 2nd and 3rd 2023.

Large Item Pick Up is scheduled for Tuesday June 6th. Desiree is waiting on Republic Services for confirmation.

The liability forms for the gym were given to Fire Chief Tyler Bundrick. These forms are to be filled out and turned in to the Clerk's Office. He will have each person sign in and out on the sheet posted in the gym.

The time clocks are up and all hourly employees began using them on March 20, 2023.

Trey received the cameras for the Wastewater Plant.

Kenny Cates and Sims Township have agreed to pay \$23,000 for the demotion of 101 S Taylor St.

Desiree called Indiana Michigan Power and requested a light pole for the Library. She also emailed Aaron Oyler asking him to rush the request. He has not responded.

Desiree contacted Brittany about posting the Town Meeting Minutes on the town website once they are approved and signed by council.

Desiree asked Sims Trustee, Jeff Duncan to budget for 2024 and pay for new playground equipment at the West Park. He asked if the town would finish the drainage at West Park before the playground equipment is installed.

TOWN MANAGER

Merrel Brother's began cleaning out the polishing ponds at the WWTP. Preparing that area for the construction of the new WWTP.

Pete Crowl of the Alliance of Indiana and Rural Water indicated that the WWTP project improvements will increase the plant size to a Class II Wastewater Treatment Plant. Currently the WWTP is a Class I and Trey's license is a Class I. Trey will have to recertify for a Class II Wastewater Treatment Operator License. He is currently in the process of filling out that application to submit to IDEM.

Trey has taken the Heptachlor Epoxide Water Test. Trey is continuing to monitor and test for all of the annual water testing. Trey is preparing the Consumer Confidence Report (CCR) so it will be completed, certified, and published prior to the July 1st deadline.

The annual DNR water usage report for all of 2022 has been submitted. This report is due annually for the previous year and must be completed before March 31st.

Water Facts for the Town of Swayzee 2022 pumping numbers:

31.414 gallons = Distributed from our Water Treatment Plant

2.618 gallons = Monthly Average

.086 gallons = Daily Average

Trey re-submitted his application to IDEM for taking the WT3 Operators Exam. He hopes to receive the acceptance letter and pass the exam sometime before the beginning of October 2023 (When Ed Asher plans to retire).

The stormwater manholes at the intersection of E. Main Street and S. Sims Street as well as the storm drains located on E Mains Street and South of the East Park were cleaned out. These two areas are known for backing up and flooding during heavy rains. After cleaning the drains are clear and flowing freely.

West Park Flooding - Trey is putting together numbers for a storm water drain project at the entrance to the park, and also along the track, near center field of the baseball field. This could potentially be a project for Eastbrook High School Senior, Andrew Kessler, who is trying to earn his Eagle Scout rank.

The project would include:

Apx 100'-150' of corrugated 4" drain tile

2 - 24" catch basins w/ slotted manhole lids / rings

1 - 4" slotted drain lid

2-3 tons - #8 stone for backfill / bedding material

EMS was on site doing the asbestos cleanup on the Phillabaum building.

Phil, Sean, and Trey worked at the Watkins property at 101 S. Taylor St the first week of March. The building was cleaned up and secured. The doors were secured that were broken and opened. The fence was taken down, limbs and all trash around the building was removed. New graffiti on the building has been discovered.

Trey is working on a material list and cost estimate for an additional storage shed at the baseball field and batting cage. This is also another possible project for Eastbrook High School Senior Andrew Kessler to earn his Eagle Scout rank. Swayzee Town Council suggested Andrew raise half of the funds needed and the Town will provide the other half for the project.

Huston Electric was on site servicing the water and wastewater plant generators. He recommended that we replace the diesel fuel in both of the generators. The generator at the WWTP needs replacing.

There was discussion for a comprehensive plan, funding, and budgeting for replacing the 2005 F-150 utility truck. Trey stressed finding a vehicle quickly before it breaks down and they are short a vehicle.

Council agreed to find and purchase a new Utility Truck to replace the old 2005 F150 Truck and not to exceed \$55,000.00. Council approved the motion with a vote of 4-0-1.

TOWN MARSHALL

Deputy Chad VanErman submitted his monthly Police Report.

Deputy Chad VanErman suggested changing the Golf Cart Registration Ordinance.

He asked the Town Council to purchase camera equipment to properly secure evidence and equipment.

He asked the Town Council for permission to service the 2014 Charger by getting vinyl replaced, diagnosing the drivetrain, and having it detailed.

He would like to keep and equip the third vehicle for backup when needed.

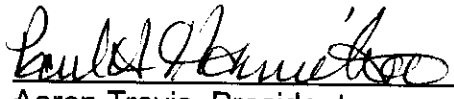
Chad has been organizing and updating the office, forms and computers.

April 27, 2023 he will be attending a class training on Acadis.

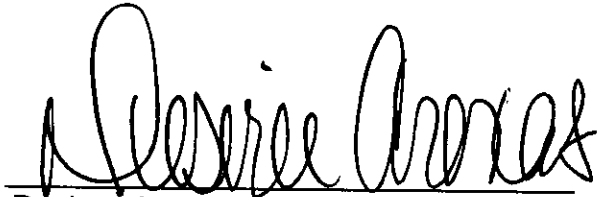
A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Rhonda Fagan. The motion was seconded by Austin Roark. The motion was approved with a vote of 4-0-1.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:26 p.m.

The next Town Council Meeting will be April 17, 2023.



Aaron Travis, President



Desiree Arenas, Clerk Treasurer

PAUL HAMMISTON, VICE-PRESIDENT