

Dillsboro Town Council Special Meeting

October 2, 2023

A Special Meeting of the Dillsboro Town Council was opened by President, Doug Baker, with the pledge to the flag on October 2, 2023 at 6:15 p.m.

Prayer was given by Mike Hill.

Council members present: Doug Baker, Becky Fryman, Tim Benning, Charlie Caldwell and Jerri Jackson.
Attorney present: John Watson

The minutes of the Regular Meetings on September 11 and 25 and the Executive Meetings on September 11 and 25. CM Baker made the following corrections on the Regular Meeting on September 25.

- Page 1 – under Clerk-Treasurer. #1 should read “CD’s being cashed in early. No penalty for **early withdraw.**” And also sentence – “Friendship State Bank recommended to **renew** one CD...”
- Page 2 – Regarding Indiana Mentors Building. Should read “Cady did **inspect the inside of the building.**” And under Attorney. Friendship Center. Should read “**The adjuster and Watson have missed each others calls. But, we have had progress in the matter.**”
- Page 3 – under Public Comment. Paragraph 1 - Should read “...Welcome Home banners for her **granddaughter’s husband...**” And also in Paragraph 4 – should read “CM Baker had some concerns about the **ownership of property...**”

CM Benning made a motion to approve the minutes with the September 25 corrections. Seconded by CM Fryman. Motion carried.

Clerk-Treasurer – Rita Stevens

- Council was given a copy of the invoice from EQSI of \$30,360.09 which was already approved from Riverboat. This was the new gate at the sewer plant.
- CT Stevens gave council financial reports. CT Stevens mentioned the water and sewer funds are doing a lot better since the first of the year. The MVH fund is a concern right now.

Fire Department – Tim Heitmeyer

- Asking council to consider about a Knox Box at the new gate at the sewer plant. Approximately \$200.00.

Steve Williams – owner of old TC’s Tavern – Williams came to council for approval of an 36’ awning with outdoor seating on the east side of the building which is on Guion Street. The area will be fenced in. Does not need this until next Spring. Kim Witte lives close by and is concerned if there is going to be music outside and the hours it will be open. Williams stated music will be inside. Attorney Watson stated for Williams to put a plan together and then contact Nicole Daily with the County Planning & Zoning to be on the agenda at the town’s Planning & Zoning Meeting on October 26th. Charlie Baker mentioned this building is in the Downtown Dillsboro Design District. And there is an Ordinance 2019-11-1 in order to protect all the buildings and structures in the district boundaries. This has to be approved by this Commission.

Utility Superintendent – Matt Bauer

- o Regarding the Knox Box. Concerned about a code for few as possible. Could put keys in the box. Heitmeyer to come up with a price.
- o Vacation. Employees has been told to use it or lose it. Several have vacation days and one has a lot of comp time. Asking council to reconsider it so employees can carry over. Asking council to think about it and have a answer at the next meeting.
- o IDEM – Bauer stated he is certified and has been doing water samples. Need CM Baker to sign the IDEM form to state Bauer as a certified owner of the Water Department. CM Fryman made motion for CM Baker to sign the form. Seconded by CM Jackson. Motion carried.
- o Leaf pick-up. At the present time residents can bag their leaves. Will start the middle of October to get the vac machine out to pick up the leaves.

Beautification – Charlie Caldwell – Stated the pump on the mule is fixed.

Park – Nothing

Attorney – John Watson – Nothing

Old Business

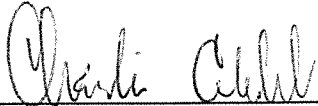
Bauer mention the Waterline Extension from east side of US 262 to North Street to Holland Drive. Estimate is \$317,000.00. Remaining from Division 1 project is \$201,586.99. Town would have to pay up to \$120,000.00. There has been 3 breaks in this area costing approximately \$8,000.00. Kim Witte concern is there going to be another water increase. The answer is no because this will come from Riverboat. CM Baker made a motion to approve up to \$120,000.00 and come from Riverboat in 2024. Seconded by CM Fryman. Motion carried.

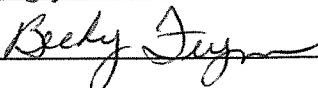
CM Baker stated a citizen came to the September 25 meeting asking for a request for banners. Council stated they would think about it. CM Baker read the response from council. CM Benning made a motion to approve the response and CM Baker signed it. Seconded by CM Jackson. Motion carried. (attached)



Kim Witte did ask if a citizen would pay for a banner. Would the town employees hang it. Council stated yes.

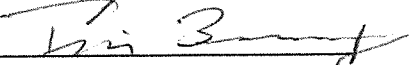
Teresa Barger did state she was in contact with the citizen and everything is taking care of. The citizen did contact businesses and they are going to put it on their business signs.

Being no further business. CM Benning made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:03 p.m. Seconded by CM Jackson. Motion carried.






 Rita Stevens, Clerk-Treasurer




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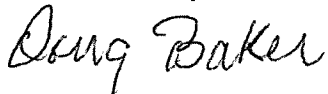
At the September 25th town board meeting, a citizen of the community made a request for the town to purchase two (2) welcome home banners for her granddaughter's husband, who will be returning home after 3 years of military service. She also requested the town employees install the banners at each end of town.

The council is very proud and thankful for each and every person serving in, or who have served in military. We are extremely proud of our hometown military personnel.

The council did discuss this, as well as talking to a few citizens of Dillsboro. The general consensus was, if you do this for 1, you should do it for all military returning home.

At this time, this council, feels this is something they can't, and don't want get involved with fiscally.

Town board president,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Doug Baker".

Doug Baker