

Dillsboro Town Council

November 13, 2023

The regular meeting of the Dillsboro Town Council was opened by President, Doug Baker, with the pledge to the flag on November 13, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.

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

The minutes from the Regular Council Meeting & Executive Meeting on October 23, 2023. CM Fryman made a motion to approve the minutes. Seconded by CM Benning. Motion carried.

Clerk-Treasurer – Rita Stevens

- Sewer adjustment for Hopewell Lodge at 13150 Spangler Road for \$170.35. Water heater leak. CM Benning made a motion to approve the adjustment. Seconded by CM Jackson. Motion carried.
- Creator Space Grand Opening Gala is Friday, December 8. Council invited.
- Boot Camp is January 16-18 at Indianapolis.
- Drake Lawns has been paid their final invoice. They are asking if the town wants them for next year? If so they would keep an eye on things during the winter months. Council stated to have Drake submit a bid and present it to a council meeting.
- Salary Ordinance needs approved at the December 11<sup>th</sup> meeting.
- Employee has asked about the health insurance.

Dearborn County Planning & Zoning – Deena Collins

- An approval of the Encroachment Permit for the Town of Dillsboro. Steve Williams wants to add an awning to the Side Street Station at Guion Street. First steps to move forward is to approve the Encroachment Permit. 2<sup>nd</sup> to the Downtown Dillsboro Design Commission. 3<sup>rd</sup> to the Dillsboro Planning & Zoning Commission. CM Benning made a motion to approve the permit. Seconded by CM Baker. Motion carried.
- The DDDC needs to be organized. Presently on the commission is Tom DeVille and Doug Baker from Council. The list of board members needs to be sent to Nicole Daily when completed.
- Steve Williams also wants a 6 foot private fence in the back of the building. A fence is not in the ordinance of the Downtown Dillsboro Design Commission.

Fire Department – Tim Heitmeyer

- September Incident Summary Report was 15. October Incident Summary Report was 18.
- Lights on the flag pole by the fire house needs to be fixed.
- Constitution and By-Laws has been revised November 6, 2023. Some of the changes were fire fighters can live in the surrounding townships and the restructure of officers. CM Fryman made a motion to approve the Constitution & By-Laws. Seconded by CM Caldwell. Motion carried.

Police – Josh Cady

- New police officer. Five applicants were given written tests. Interviews next week and will do some home visits.

CM Baker asked the hours for the 2<sup>nd</sup> police officer. Cady stated it is from 3:00 p.m.-1:00 a.m. And work every other weekend.

Utility Superintendent – Matt Bauer

- Sewage Plant Inspection Report. Eric Graver got the highest score of a #5. It is one of the nicer labs in the state.
- The 2011 F-350 truck got fixed at Phantom Diesel Performance for \$776.00. It was a cheaper fix than what we thought it was going to be.
- Small dump truck and old police truck needs tires.
- The soccer fields will be overseeded in the spring. It is too late now to do it.
- Been picking up leaves.
- Have 4 remaining easements to get signed for the water extension project. Two of them stating they want the line towards the road more. Will get with Holman and mark the lines and talk to the customers again. The other two can't get into contact with them.
- David Caldwell building on 12933 North Street. A deliver truck hit his building in the alley besides his building. Wants the alley a one way street. Council decided to table this to the next meeting.
- David Caldwell also has said there is a maple tree behind his building. On town property between his building and the Art Center. Caldwell stated the roots are on his property could cause trouble in the future. Council also decided to table this to the next meeting. Council will look at both of these concerns before the next meeting.
- Employees are wondering about their health insurance.
- There was a fence put up on 10034 Sesame Street. The old cast iron water line is on the inside of the fence. New one is on the outside of the fence. Bauer concern if need to get to the lines. The fence will have to be taken down. Need to get a agreement with the property owner if this needs to be done.
- Comp time – Have one employee that has several hours of comp time. Can it be carried over?

Beautification – Charlie Caldwell – nothing

Parks- nothing

Attorney – John Watson

Interlocal Cooperation Agreement between the County of Dearborn, Indiana and the Town of Dillsboro, Indiana Regarding Dispatching 911 Services was given to council. Since 2016 the town has paid \$5,000.00 for a year. Now the county wants for 2024 - \$18,523.35, 2025 - \$32,046.70 and 2026 - \$33,649.04. Watson did state some cities has agreed to their agreements. After much discussion council decided the town to continue to pay \$5,000.00 each year. CM Benning made a motion for Watson to take this to the county. Seconded by CM Fryman. Motion carried.

Old Business

Downtown Dillsboro Design Commission needs 6 members plus a council member. Presently Tom DeVille and Doug Baker (council).

Redevelopment Commission – Presently there is Tom Wafford, Dustin Kitchell and Tracy Adkisson. Karen Filter is interested. CM Jackson made a motion to approve Filter. Seconded by CM Fryman. Motion carried. Still have one vacant. Daryl Cutter is a non-voting member from the school board.

Council suggested to post on facebook to ask if anybody would be interested on serving on any of the town boards.

New Business

Since the Town Manager position is vacant. CM Baker asked Susan Greco to be a Intern Town Manager. Greco was present and accepted the position. Possibility get a intern college student next year to fill the position.

Being no further business. CM Jackson made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:16 p.m. Seconded by CM Benning. Motion carried.



Rita Stevens, Clerk-Treasurer

  
  
