

# February 16, 2016

## TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES

Council President Rick Ryfa called the February 16, 2016 meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

### ROLL CALL:

James Marker  
Larry Ballah  
Rick Ryfa  
Patricia Schaadt  
Tony Hobson

### ALSO ATTENDING:

George Jerome - Clerk Treasurer  
Greg Mance – Police Chief  
Roy Schoon – Fire Chief  
Rick Konopasek – Director of Public Works  
Bob Schwerd – Attorney for the Town

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

1. Council Member Pat Schaadt moved to adopt the minutes of the February 2, 2016 meeting as presented, second by Council Member Jim Marker. MOTION CARRIED

### APPROVAL OF CLAIMS:

1. Claim No. 5501 – 5734 in the amount of \$1,012,517.60 (one million, twelve thousand, five hundred seventeen dollars and sixty cents) were presented for payment. Council Member Pat Schaadt moved to accept the claims as presented, second by Council Member Tony Hobson. MOTION CARRIED

### ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. There will be a council study session on Tuesday February 23<sup>rd</sup> at 5:30 p.m.
2. The Plan Commission will meet on Tuesday February 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7:00 p.m.
3. The next council meeting will be Tuesday March 1<sup>st</sup> at 7:00 p.m. A study session will be held at 6:30 p.m. before the meeting and one will follow if necessary.

### COMMUNICATIONS:

1. IUN will host a Public Service Fair April 26, 2016. Griffith Police Department will participate.
2. The American Legion Auxiliary requested permission to conduct their annual Poppy Sale May 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>. Council Member Pat Schaadt moved to approve the request, second by Council Member Jim Marker. MOTION CARRIED

### REPORTS:

1. NIRPC – No Report
2. Director of Public Works – No Report
3. Police – No Report
4. Fire – No Report
5. Economic Development – No Report
6. Pending Items
  - a. None

### PUBLIC COMMENTS REGARDING THE AGENDA:

1. None

### BUSINESS FROM THE COUNCIL:

1. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
  - a. Council Member Tony Hobson moved to approve Ordinance 2016-05: An Ordinance Amending Chapter 74 – Traffic & Vehicles, second by Council Member Pat Schaadt. MOTION CARRIED
2. NEW BUSINESS
  - a. Council Member Jim Marker moved to approve the recommendation of the Safety Board regarding the 2016 purchase of 5 new police vehicles, second by Council Member Tony Hobson. MOTION CARRIED

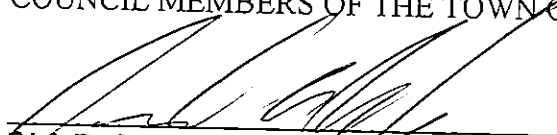
- b. Council Member Larry Ballah moved to approve a request by Robinson Engineering to increase their maximum fee for Construction Engineering Services related to the 2014/2015 Street Program by \$10,000, second by Council Member Jim Marker. MOTION CARRIED
- c. Council Member Pat Schaadt moved to approve the INDOT Recommendation of Acceptance of the Ave H and S Arbogast Project, second by Council Member Larry Ballah. MOTION CARRIED
- d. Council Member Tony Hobson moved to approve Resolution 2016-06: A Resolution Adjusting Appropriations, second by Council Member Pat Schaadt. MOTION CARRIED

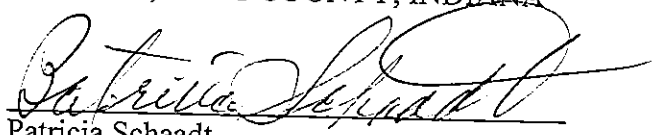
**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

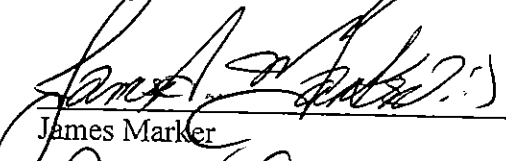
- Debbie Gizynski, 1147 N Wood St reported issues with Animal Control and disputed ownership of a dog.
- Melissa Huckaby, 1020 Azalia, Munster spoke in support of Ms Gizynski
- Cheryl Wisemen, 330 N Indiana asked when work on the new Animal Shelter would start and asked what she could do to help.

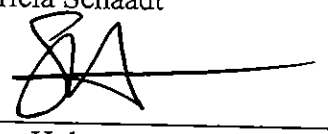
There being no further business to come before this Council, the meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p. m.

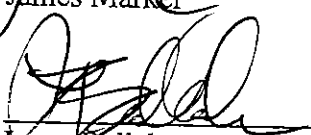
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Rick Ryfa, President

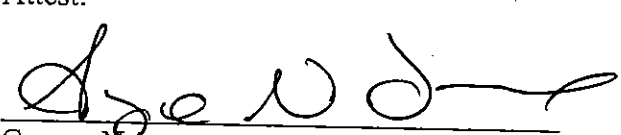
  
Patricia Schaadt

  
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Attest:

  
George N Jerome  
Clerk-Treasurer

## ORDINANCE 2016-05

### AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 74 - TRAFFIC & VEHICLES, ARTICLE VIII TRAFFIC SCHEDULES, SECTION 74-302 LIMITED PARKING ON CERTAIN STREETS (b)

**WHEREAS**, IC 9-21-1-3 et seq. authorizes the Town to adopt traffic and parking regulations within the Town of Griffith; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town Council of the Town of Griffith, Lake County, Indiana, deems it to be in the best interest of the general health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of Griffith that Chapter 74 - Traffic & Vehicles, Article VIII, Traffic Schedules, Section 74-302, Limited Parking on Certain Streets (b), be amended.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Town Council of the Town of Griffith, Lake County, Indiana, that Chapter 74 - Traffic & Vehicles, Article VIII, Traffic Schedules, Section 74-302, Limited Parking on Certain Streets (b), be amended by the addition of the following:

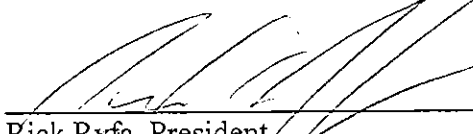
On the west side of the 200 block of Griffith Boulevard, the first 200 feet north of Columbia Street shall be reserved for parking only by residents of the 200 block of Griffith Boulevard.


**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED**, that any and all such ordinances or parts of ordinances of the Town of Griffith that are in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed and of no further force or effect.

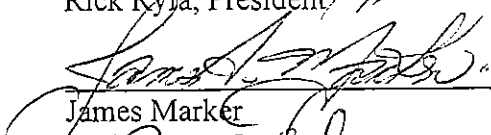
**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED**, that this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect after its passage and posting in accordance with IC 36-5-2-10.

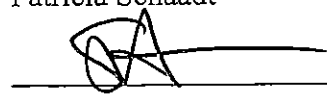
**PASSED AND ADOPTED** by the Town Council for the Town of Griffith, Lake County, Indiana this 16<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2016.

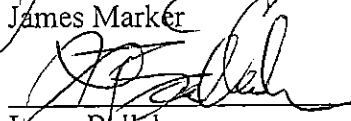
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## RESOLUTION 2016-06

### A RESOLUTION ADJUSTING APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS

WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Town of Griffith under order of the Department of Local Government Finance is required to make adjustments to the Budget of the Town of Griffith for 2016.

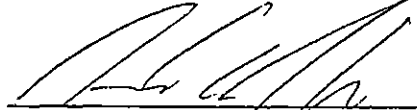
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that there is hereby adjustments in the following appropriation of funds as follows:

Account #	Department	Line Item	Amount
230001128	Rainy Day	Healthcare	-\$170,000
230001226	Rainy Day	Fuel	-\$40,000
230001360	Rainy Day	Street Repair	-\$40,000
			-\$250,000

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that this Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Town Council of the Town of Griffith, Lake County, Indiana this 16<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2016.

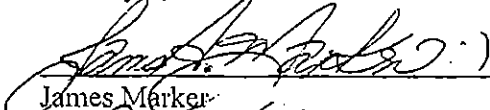
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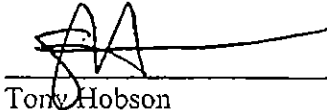
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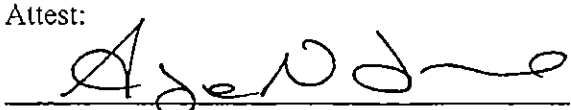


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