

March 3, 2015

TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES

Council President Rick Ryfa called the March 3, 2015 meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Council Vice President Glen Gaby led the Pledge of Allegiance

ROLL CALL:

Larry Ballah
Rick Ryfa
Glen Gaby
Patricia Schaadt
Stan Dobosz

ALSO ATTENDING:

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

1. Council Member Stan Dobosz moved to adopt the minutes of the February 17, 2015 meeting as presented, second by Council Member Pat Schaadt. MOTION CARRIED - Council Member Glen Gaby abstained because he was unable to attend the March 3rd meeting.

APPROVAL OF CLAIMS:

1. Claims No. 0466 – 0587 in the amount of \$780,913.70 (seven hundred eighty thousand, nine hundred thirteen dollars and seventy cents) were presented for payment. Council Member Pat Schaadt moved to accept the claims as presented, second by Council Member Glen Gaby. MOTION CARRIED

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. There will be a council study session on Tuesday March 10th at 5:30 p.m.
2. The next council meeting will be Tuesday March 17th 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. None

REPORTS:

1. NIRPC – No Report
2. Director of Public Works – No Report
3. Police – No Report
4. Fire – No Report
 - a. Chief Schoon had to leave in response to a Fire Call
5. Economic Development
 - a. The engineering report on the golf course is due within two weeks. Once received we should be able to determine the amount of developable land available
 - b. At least two firms have expressed interest in the property
6. Pending Items
 - a. Legislative Issues
 - i. The Town continues to monitor pending legislation
 - b. Building Commissioner Position
 - i. Interviews will begin within two weeks

BUSINESS FROM THE COUNCIL:

1. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
 - a. None

2. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Council Member Larry Ballah moved to affirm the BZA Findings of Fact and grant a Special Use Variance to Leo Katzmarek D/B/A Sharp Shot Shop to engage in the sale of firearms as a broker at his property at 129 N Lindberg, a property zoned R-2, second by Council member Glen Gaby.
MOTION CARRIED

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

- None


There being no further business to come before this Council, the meeting was adjourned at 7:07 p. m.

TOWN COUNCIL
TOWN OF GRIFFITH

ABSENT
GLEN GABY

ABSENT
LAWRENCE BALLAH


RICK RYFA


PATRICIA SCHAADT


STAN DOBOSZ


GEORGE N. JEROME
CLERK TREASURER

RESOLUTION 2015-06

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH THE LITTLE CALUMET RIVER BASIN DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

WHEREAS, the Town of Griffith (hereinafter the "Town") is a public body corporate duly organized, created, and existing under the laws of the State of Indiana, and

WHEREAS, the Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission (hereinafter the "Commission") is a public body corporate duly organized, created, and existing under the laws of the State of Indiana by virtue of Indiana Code I.C. 14-13-2-2 et seq; and

WHEREAS, the Commission was created pursuant to I.C. 14-13-2-4, inter alia, to provide for the creation, development, maintenance, administration, and operation of park, recreation, marina, flood control, and other public works projects; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to I.C. 14-13-2-1 et seq, the Commission is entitled to enter into certain agreements with other public agencies; and

WHEREAS, I.C. 36-1-7-1 et seq allows public agencies to enter into agreements to exchange services, supplies and equipment, and provide mutual aid; and

WHEREAS, consistent with the foregoing statutes, it is the intent of the Town to enter into an Interlocal Cooperation Agreement with the Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission to carry out the construction project set forth in the Little Calumet River Basin Development Commission Application for Funding – Construction Projects

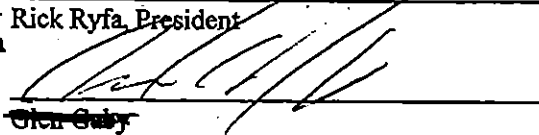
BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that this Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Town Council of the Town of Griffith, Lake County, Indiana this 17th day of March, 2015.

COUNCIL MEMBERS OF THE TOWN OF GRIFFITH, LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA


Rick Ryfa, President


Patricia Schaadt


Glen Galy


Stan Dobosz

ABSENT
Larry Ballah

Attest:


George N Jerome
Clerk-Treasurer