# **PAGE April 2, 2013** TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES

Council President Glen Gaby called the April 2, 2013 meeting to order at 7:01 PM.

**ROLL CALL:** 

ALSO ATTENDING:

Larry Ballah - Absent

George Jerome - Clerk Treasurer

Rick Ryfa

Rick Konopasek - Public Works Director Matt Argadine - Police Executive Officer

Glen Gaby Pat Schaadt

Stan Dobosz

Brent Torrenga – Attorney for the Town

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Council Member Stan Dobosz moved to adopt the minutes of the March 19, 2013 meeting as presented, second by Council Member Pat Schaadt. MOTION CARRIED

#### APPROVAL OF CLAIMS:

Claims No. 833 - 955 in the amount of \$666,822.69 (six hundred sixty-six thousand, eight hundred twenty-two dollars and sixty-nine cents) were presented for payment. Council Member Pat Schaadt moved to accept the claims as presented, second by Council Member Rick Ryfa. MOTION CARRIED

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- a. The next council meeting will be Tuesday April 16<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. A study session will be held at 6:30 before the meeting and one will follow if
- **b.** There will be a council study session on Tuesday April 9<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 PM.

# **COMMUNICATIONS:**

a. NONE

#### **REPORTS:**

- 1. NIRPC No Report
- 2. Mansards No Report
- 3. Legislative Update Council Member Rick Ryfa described the current status of HB 1585 passed the senate on 2<sup>nd</sup> reading. Senator Rogers submitted several amendments designed to weaken the bill and/or give Calumet Township more time to reduce their administrative costs. All were defeated. The senate will vote on a 3<sup>rd</sup> reading as early as Thursday April 4<sup>th</sup>. If it passes, it will then go to the house where the amended bill will need to be approved. Council President Glen Gaby stated that senator Brandt Hershman was very effective in getting the bill passed. His comments were echoed by Council Member Rick Ryfa and Clerk Treasurer George Jerome. Residents were urged to email the senator to thank him for his help.
- 4. Board of Public Works No Report
- 5. Public Works No Report
- **6.** Police No Report
- 7. Fire No Report Brush fire in progress
- 8. Pending Items None

### **BUSINESS FROM THE COUNCIL:**

# A. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Council Member Rick Ryfa moved to approve Ordinance 2013-07: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 18 BUSINESSES; ARTICLE VI. RESIDENTIAL RENTAL PROPERTY; BY THE MODIFICATION OF SECTION 18-101. REGISTRATION OF RESIDENTIAL RENTAL PROPERTY, second by Council Member Pat Schaadt. MOTION CARRIED

- 2. Clerk Treasurer George Jerome administered an Oath of Office to:
  - a. Lt Mathew Argadine: Executive Officer/Detective Lieutenant
  - b. Sgt Jeffrey Gang: Operations Lieutenant

#### **B. NEW BUSINESS**

- 1. Council Member Stan Dobosz moved to approve Resolution 2013-08: A RESOLUTION BY THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GRIFFITH AUTHORIZING THE GRANT OF PIPELINE EASEMENT TO ENBRIDGE ENERGY, second by Council Member Pat Schaadt. MOTION CARRIED
- 2. Council Member Rick Ryfa moved to allow the Safety Board to advertise for the purchase of up to fifteen (15) new police vehicles, second by Council Member Stan Dobosz. MOTION CARRIED
- 3. Council Member Pat Schaadt moved to appoint Edwin (Al) Markut to the position of Interim Park Superintendent, second by Council Member Stan Dobosz. MOTION CARRIED
- 4. Council Member Stan Dobosz moved to appoint Matt Jabkowski to the position of Interim Lieutenant, Griffith Volunteer Fire Department, second by Council Member Rick Ryfa. MOTION CARRIED

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

Red Anderson, 1447 N Harvey questioned the pronunciation of Jabkowski (his grandson) Council Member Dobosz assured him that he pronounced it correctly.

There being no further business to come before this Council; the meeting was adjourned at 7:37 PM.

T OWN COUNCIL TOWN OF GRIFFITH

GLEN GABY

ABSENT

LAWRENCE BALLAH

RICK RYFA

PATRICIA SCHAADT

STAN DOBOSZ

GEORGÉ N. JEROME

CLERK TREASURER