

July 18, 2017

TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES

Council President Rick Ryfa called the July 18, 2017 meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

The name of murdered Police Officer was read by Councilman Jim Marker

- Trooper Joel Davis, New York State Police

ROLL CALL:

James Marker
Larry Ballah
Rick Ryfa
Tony Hobson
Melissa Robbins

ALSO ATTENDING:

Nancy Bozinovich – Deputy Clerk Treasurer
Greg Mance – Police Chief
Steve McDermott – Building Commissioner
Robert Schwerd – Attorney for the Town
Rick Konopasek- Public Works Director

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

1. Council Member Tony Hobson moved to adopt the minutes of the July 11, 2017 meeting as presented, second by Council Member Melissa Robbins. MOTION CARRIED

APPROVAL OF CLAIMS:

1. Claim No. 12960-13149 in the amount of \$1,120,174.19 was presented for payment. Council Member Tony Hobson moved to accept the claims as presented, second by Council Member Jim Marker. MOTION CARRIED

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. The next council meeting will be Tuesday August 1st at 7:00 p.m. A study session will be held at 6:30 p.m. before the meeting one will follow if necessary.
2. The Griffith Redevelopment Commission will meet on the 4th Tuesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. with a study session at 6:00 p.m. in the Griffith Town Hall.

COMMUNICATIONS:

1. Council Member Melissa Robbins read a letter from South Lake County Community Services, Inc. asking for a donation for the trips they provided in our community, she made a motion to approve which was second by Council Member Larry Ballah. MOTION CARRIED

REPORTS:

1. NIRPC – No Report
2. Public Works – Updated on 45th street project, Paving is done between Colfax and Cline, with stripping in the works. Next phase will be from Cline to Forest.
3. Police – No Report
4. Fire – No Report

Pending Items

- a. Council President Rick Ryfa addressed the issue of the Calumet Township. The Council is thinking about withdrawing the 2016 petition and submitting a new one. We will consult with our Attorneys.

PUBLIC COMMENTS REGARDING THE AGENDA:

None

BUSINESS FROM THE COUNCIL:

1. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- a. None

2. NEW BUSINESS

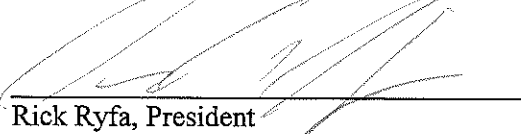
- a. Council Member Jim Marker made a motion to formalize the 2017 CDBG Central Playground Improvement; second by Council member Tony Hobson. MOTIONED CARRIED
- b. Council member Larry Ballah read a letter from the Board of Sanitary Commissioners, recommending the firm Larson-Fisher for the Interceptor Project. Made a motion to approve which was second by Council member Tony Hobson. MOTIONED CARRIED

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

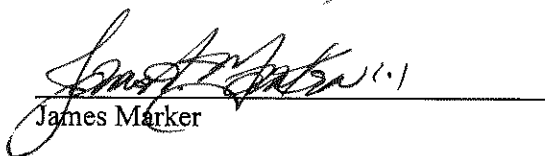
- Albert Bajoret of 1245 Thistle wanted to thank everyone involved on their quick response to the pool situation in his neighborhood.
- Beth Alyea from the Griffith/ Calumet Township Library, wanted to thank the Town for their support in Library programs. Especially the pet & truck program.

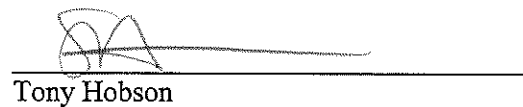
There being no further business to come before this Council, the meeting was adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

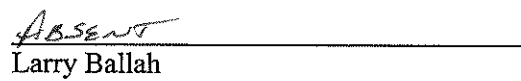
COUNCIL MEMBERS OF THE TOWN OF GRIFFITH, LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA


Rick Ryfa, President



Melissa Robbins

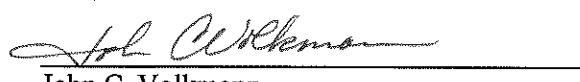

James Marker


Tony Hobson


Larry Ballah

Attest:


Nancy Bozinovich
Deputy Clerk-Treasurer


John C. Volkmann
Clerk Treasurer