

WHITELAND TOWN COUNCIL
July 12, 2022

Council members present

Other Town Officials

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Brad Goedeker President	<u> X </u>	James Lowhorn Town Manager	<u> </u>	Stephen Watson Town Attorney	<u> X </u>
Richard Hill V-President	<u> X </u>	Debra L. Hendrickson Clerk Treasurer	<u> X </u>	Carmen Parker Comm. Dev. Director	<u> X </u>
Laura Fleury Member	<u> X </u>	Rick Shipp Town Marshal	<u> X </u>	Shaun Young Street Supt.	<u> X </u>
David Hawkins Member	<u> X </u>	Eric Funkhouser Fire Chief	<u> </u>		<u> </u>
Joe Saylor Member	<u> X </u>				

Call to order

- B. Goedeker called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm

Invocation – Joseph Saylor

Adoption of the Order of Business

Minutes 6/14/2022

- J. Saylor made a motion to approve the Minutes 6/14/22. L. Fleury seconded the motion.
Passed 3-0-2 D. Hawkins and R. Hill abstains

Voucher Packet 7-12-2022

- J. Saylor made the motion to approve Voucher Packet 7-12-2022. R. Hill seconded the motion.
Passed 5-0

Financial Report

- Clerk Treasurer stated the June settlements are in for property taxes. \$575961.46 was received between the Town and the Fire Department.
- Clerk Treasurer reported balances on all operating funds.
- D. Hendrickson reported the second distribution for the ARPA funds should be deposited soon.

Old Business

- Ordinance 2022-06, 2nd Reading, Reducing Water Rates for Repeal of URT
 - S. Watson summarized how the State Legislature repealed the tax which is included in the water rate effective July 1, 2022.
 - J. Saylor made a motion to accept Ordinance 2022-06. D. Hawkins seconded the motion.
Passed 5-0

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- Redistricting for Council Wards
 - S. Watson presented preliminary maps indicating how the voting wards are not laid out. There were approximately 185 households were moved which is the 10% variance. It should be finalized and adopted in October.

New Business

- Resolution 2022-14, Cooper Tire Tax Abatement Compliance, Hearing
 - Jeff Bennett, MOHR Capital, stated there was a two-year 100% personal property abatement for infrastructure work requested by the Town. Per the abatement agreement Cooper Tire was not in compliance by June 24, thus the public hearing.
 - Good Year recently acquired Cooper Tire and not have the information. They are requesting an extension of time until July 27, 2022.
 - S. Watson stated he reached out to the County to see if there would be a problem with the time extension, which they replied they could move forward.
 - Public Hearing opened at 7:38pm. Resident Tom Carroll stated the acquisition was on 6/07/21. Closed at 7:39.
 - J. Saylor made a motion to approve Res. 2022-14 alternate version. D. Hawkins seconded the motion.

Passed 5-0

Town Manager Report – Absent

Department Head Report

- J. Meece, Police Secretary, updated the Council on the Police Department
 - Corporal Donica is no longer with the Police Department.
 - Deputy Doss was promoted to Corporal to replace Donica.
 - The new K-9 Riggs will be sworn in on Monday. He is a two-year shepherd.
 - Officer McKinney was added to the Police Department. He was employed with the Clark Pleasant School Corporation as the K-9 officer. The Police force is now back to full staff.
 - Whiteland Police Department sent three officers to help Greenwood cover shifts due to a fallen officer and funeral services.
 - July 4th holiday went well. Thanks to the residents for a fun weekend.
 - ARPA spending
 - All computers have been replaced.
 - Ballistics vest and helmets.
 - Tasers and body cams will be issued in the next weeks
 - Six vehicles were ordered in April hoping to have them by the fall.
 - More purchases after the second ARPA disbursement.

Council Comments - None

Public Comments - None

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm.

Passed by the Whiteland Town Council on this day 9th of August, 2022


Aye



Brad Goedeker, President



Richard Hill, Vice President



David Hawkins



Laura Fleury



Joe Sayler

Nay

Brad Goedeker, President

Richard Hill, Vice President

David Hawkins

Laura Fleury

Joe Sayler

Attest:



Debra L. Hendrickson, Clerk Treasurer

