

WHITELAND TOWN COUNCIL
March 11, 2025

Council members present

Richard Hill	
President	_X_
Debra Hendrickson	
Vice President	_X_
Tim Brown	
Member	_X_
Brad Goedecker	
Member	_X_
Joe Sayler	
Member	_X_

Other Town Officials

Melissa Fraser	
Clerk Treasurer	_X_
Carmen Young	
Director of Administration	_X_
Shaun Young	
Director Of Operations	_X_
Stephen Watson	
Town Attorney	_X_

Call to Order

- R. Hill called the meeting to order at 7:00pm

Pledge

Roll Call – Quorum requirements reached.

Invocation – S. Young

Review and Approval of Agenda

Minutes 2-11-25

- B. Goedecker made a motion to approve the 2-11-25 minutes. J. Sayler seconded the motion.

PASSED 5-0

Voucher Packet 3-11-25

- B. Goedecker made a motion to approve the 3-11-25 voucher packet. J. Sayler seconded the motion.

PASSED 5-0

Financial Report

- M. Fraser reported on the balance of all funds.
- M. Fraser explained the form that needed signed in order to transfer funds from one appropriation to another.
 - B. Goedecker made a motion to approve the transfer. J. Sayler seconded the motion.

PASSED 5-0

Old Business

- **Ordinance 2025-02, Adoption of New Flood Damage Prevention Code (2nd Reading)**
 - C. Young explained the adoption of the new code.
 - B. Goedecker made a motion to approve Ordinance 2025-02. J. Sayle seconded the motion.

PASSED 5-0

New Business

- **Ordinance 2025-03, Rezoning of Property for Culver's**
 - C. Young introduced the Ordinance. This Ordinance went to Plan Commission, and it received a favorable recommendation.
 - Chris McGuire, Developer from McCon Building Corporation, answered questions about the project.
 - The flood zone will not be encroached. It will be a franchised Culvers – size large. Once all the paperwork and permitting process is finished, it should take 6 months to complete.

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- J. Saylor made a motion to approve Ordinance 2025-03. B. Goedeker seconded the motion.

PASSED 5-0

- S. Watson stated that this project will have agreements, easements, and other related documents that will need to be signed. He suggested the Council authorize S. Watson and staff to sign documents.
- All agreed.

PASSED BY CONSENSUS

- **Resolution 2025-03, Approval of Updated Comprehensive Plan**

- C. Young explained Resolution 2025-03 and requested for approval of revised Comprehensive Plan.
- Adam Pieper, HWC, discussed technical requirements
- Mike Kleinpeter, Kleinpeter Consulting Group -Grant Administrator, discussed OCRA Grant and their requirements have been met.
- R. Hill opened public hearing.
 - Carrie Miller, 590 Ardmoor Dr., asked if the Comprehensive plan was public.
 - C. Young stated yes
- R. Hill closed the public hearing.
- T. Brown made a motion to approve Resolution 2025-03. D. Hendrickson seconded the motion.

PASSED 5-0

- **Professional Services Agreement with HWC Engineering for GIS Mapping of Water Utility Infrastructure**

- C. Young discussed service agreement with HWC Engineering to GIS Map the Town's water utility and requested approval to sign agreement.
- J. Saylor made a motion to approve C. Young to sign the agreement. T. Brown seconded the motion.

PASSED 5-0

- **Request for approval of additional voucher packet – Final HWC bill for OCRA grant work**

- C. Young discussed a request to pay HWC bill for OCRA grant work so project can be closed out without having to request an extension. This would be a pre-approval of the voucher so that it can be paid in March.
- D. Hendrickson made a motion to approve payment of the additional voucher for HWC. J. Saylor seconded the motion.

PASSED 5-0

- **Request for approval to sign OCRA Grant close out paperwork**

- C. Young discussed the need for approval.

PASSED BY CONSENSUS

- **Approval of Professional Services Agreement – Commonwealth Engineers – Project Management for Street Department Rebuild Due to Tornado**

- C. Young discussed the service agreement with Commonwealth Engineers to rebuild the Street Garage. Insurance has approved the rebuild and project management and all will be reimbursed.
- R. Hill asked about design approval. T. Brown agreed he'd like to see the plans.
- J. Saylor made a motion to approve agreement with Commonwealth Engineers. D. Hendrickson seconded the motion.

PASSED 5-0

- **Brightspeed Representative – Michelle Brzycki – Upcoming Right of Way work**

- Michelle Brzycki, Government Affairs Manager for Indiana for Brightspeed, discussed the upcoming right of way work in the Town. Brightspeed is looking to upgrade DSL to fiber in this area.
- She discussed bond requirements for the Town of \$300,000 and other jurisdictions they work with are typically \$10,000-\$25,000. They are looking into alternative solutions and asking the Council for consideration of those. She discussed their certificate of insurance and the things it would cover vs the bond.

- R. Hill stated the biggest concern is to protect the Town. As addressed at the last Council meeting, we discussed doing camera work before and after the project.
- J. Saylor stated he would be interested in our legal counsel reviewing their certificate of Insurance to determine comparable protections it has to the bond.
- T. Brown discussed issues he's seen and strongly recommended to camera the area. Michelle Brzycki stated that is not something Brightspeed does. She further explained the damages that would be covered by the certificate of insurance vs the bond.
- T. Brown asked how quickly repairs would be done.
- Matt Curtis, Director of Operations, Direct Line - contractor doing the work in the area. He spoke about the repair work and a typical timeline if issues arise.
- B. Goedeker liked the idea of bringing additional services to the Town for the residents. He stated he's unsure if the certificate of insurance is as adequate as the bond, as Brightspeed suggested, and would prefer legal counsel review and advise on it. J. Saylor agreed that he would want the counsel's opinion on the protections offered from the certificate of insurance prior to making his decision.
- S. Watson stated he could have the analysis by next month's meeting.

Director of Administration and/or Director of Operations Report

- C. Young discussed the list of computer items to be disposed of.
 - J. Saylor made a motion to approve disposal of items. B. Goedeker seconded the motion.
PASSED 5-0
- C. Young discussed repairs needed for the Fire Dept's Engine 71 and request to move forward with repairs.
 - J. Saylor made a motion to move forward with repairs. B. Goedeker seconded the motion.
PASSED 5-0

Department Head Reports

Counsel Comment

Council Comment

- T. Brown stated he's gotten a resident complaint regarding a sewer smell coming from a manhole.
 - S. Young is aware of the situation and is working to fix it.

Public Comment

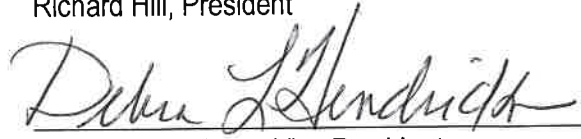
R. Hill made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:33pm.

Passed by the Whiteland Town Council on this day 8th of April, 2025.

Aye

Nay

Richard Hill, President

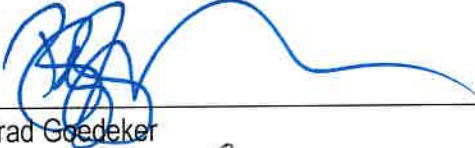


Debra Hendrickson, Vice President

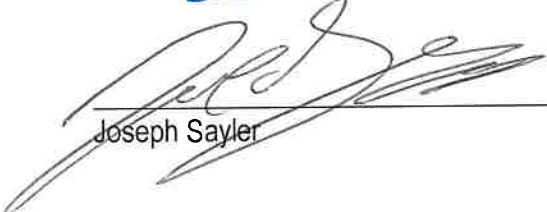
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Attest:



Melissa Fraser, Clerk Treasurer