

Corydon Town Council  
Meeting Minutes  
May 19, 2020

The Town Council of the Town of Corydon, Indiana, met in the Town Hall, 219 North Capitol Av, Corydon, Indiana on the 19<sup>th</sup> day of May 2020 at the hour of 7:30 p.m. Due to the COVID- 19 virus and the Executive Order from Governor of Indiana restricting public meetings to 10 people, the Town of Corydon conducted the meeting with 8 people present and live streaming of the meeting for the public.

The meeting was called to order by Lester Rhoads who presided and the pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was led by Jessica Ayres.

On call of the roll, the members of the Council were shown to be present or absent as follows:

Present:	Live Stream:
Lester Rhoads	Doug Castetter
Tyson Uhl	Paul Hamann
Hope Schneider	

Clerk- Treasurer Treggie King, Town Manager Rand Heazlitt, and Town Attorney Chris Byrd also attended the meeting.

Doug Castetter made a motion to approve minutes of the previous meeting and Tyson Uhl seconded the motion with an approval vote of 5-0.

Hope Schneider made the motion to approve claims and sign bills. Doug Castetter seconded the motion and it carried 5-0.

Planning and Zoning had no activity.

The Council discussed when to open the Town Hall's lobby to the public and if shields should be in place for safety reasons. Doug Castetter suggested the Town should follow the County in opening on May 26<sup>th</sup>. Town Attorney Chris Byrd suggested for a liability issue, that shields should be in place before opening. Town Manager Rand Heazlitt agreed and stated it could become mandated for businesses to have shields to protect the employees during transactions. Mr. Byrd indicated the County offices that do not have the shields in place will not open until they are installed. Free-standing shields were recommended by Mr. Heazlitt, with openings to allow payments to be passed through. President Rhoads agreed to opening on the May 26<sup>th</sup> as long as shields are in place, and Tyson Uhl made the motion to approve. Paul Hamann seconded, and motion passed 5-0.

Paul Hamann made the motion to approve the payments to Suez/Peerless Midwest for invoice #507383 in the amount of \$15,510.00 for well pump #1 cleaning and rebuild and invoice #507384 in the amount of \$16,320.00 well pump #2 cleaning and rebuild. Doug Castetter seconded, and it passed 5-0. These invoices will be paid from the water bond monies.

Weed complaints were turned in for 133 Beech Street and 314 W. Poplar Street. Currently 314 W. Poplar Street is a vacant house with windows open and grass out of control. The owners of 133 Beech Street tried to clean up and mow the grass but did not finish. President Rhoads suggested to not send a weed complaint letter yet in hopes the owners will continue to clean up their property. Mr. Heazlitt stated the ward Council member would contact the residents or homeowners to clean the property before a letter was sent or lien was placed. Mr. Byrd said the Clerk-Treasurer sends the letters according to Ordinance 1991-W-2 for removal of weeds and rank vegetation. Councilman Uhl suggested

a copy of the ordinance be attached to the letter when sending to the homeowner. The Council agreed to have the Ward person contact the homeowner before sending certified lien letters. The motion was tabled until the next meeting to send letters, so the Ward person could contact the homeowners.

The State of Indiana now requires a water audit loss report sent annually. The loss is determined by the water supervisor, maintenance supervisor, and utility clerk using meter readings and how much water the wells have pumped; the difference determines how much water is lost. Midwestern Engineers have been certified and can assist the Town with the water loss audit. Once the procedure is established, the Town should be able to continue the water loss reporting throughout the coming years. Tyson Uhl made the motion to accept Midwestern Engineer's contract #2020002-3 for the water loss audit in the amount of \$3000.00 with Paul Hamann seconding. The motion passed 5-0.

Jessica Ayers asked the Council's approval to have a roadblock for the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society's Light the Night to help raise money for cures and treatments for blood cancer patients. The roadblock will be June 13<sup>th</sup> with a rain date of June 27<sup>th</sup>. The intersections of Capitol Avenue and Poplar Street, and/or Walnut Street and Capitol Avenue, between the hours of 12:00 pm to 5:00 pm were requested. Ms. Ayers stated their goal is to raise \$3000.00. All participants will be over the age of 18 and Chief Kitterman will be notified of the event. Doug Castetter made the motion to approve and Hope Schneider seconded. Motion passed 5-0.

Tyson Uhl made the motion to approve the pay request #2 to Mac Construction for Rice Island in the amount of \$185,495.76. Paul Hamann seconded, and motion carried 5-0. The payment comes out of the grant funds from OCRA and Harrison County Community Foundation for ongoing construction.

Mr. Hezlitt updated the Council on a change order at Rice Island from Duke Energy for the electric pole relocation which will provide the Town a credit of approximately \$1500.00. The lines will be underground with 4-inch conduit and connect to the meter on the WPA building. Duke Energy will move the pole and get the electric connected on June 6<sup>th</sup>. There are also change orders for lighting, concrete, and limestone which included deductions and add-ons. Councilman Uhl asked if the lighting was coming from Eckart Supply Co. in Corydon, in which Mr. Hezlitt replied yes. There will be a deduction of \$8993.27 with the change orders and brings the cost to \$2,117,973.13. Hope Schneider made the motion to accept change orders 2 and 3 for under the original contract amount. Tyson Uhl seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

The bridge crossing Indian Creek to Rice Island was disassembled by CLR, Inc. They discovered cracks in the bottom plates which could not be seen in the initial bridge inspection. Mr. Hezlitt stated CLR recommended clips be put into place to repair the cracks of a cost of \$9,440.00. Additional updates consisted of the chemical feed building for the Wastewater treatment plant and stating Midwest Engineering covered the costs of the footer and rebar issues. Also, a 3-inch diameter conduit will be installed from the chemical feed building to the oxidation ditch; Geotech style fabric will be installed in the building and metal stairs will replace the original design of concrete stairs. The updates will increase the cost \$12,680.00 for a total project total of \$488,676.00. The motions were made for the bridge repair and chemical feed building project by Paul Hamann and seconded by Tyson Uhl. Motion passed 5-0.

Jill Saegesser from The Wheatley Group attended the meeting virtually to update the Council on the Urban Trail grant project. A special called meeting is scheduled for May 26<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 at the Town Hall to discuss the Urban Trail. Ms. Saegesser stated additional requirements were given for the OCRA grant the Town was awarded for small businesses during the COVID 19 pandemic. Not for profits will not be eligible for any of the funds provided by OCRA and micro-enterprise businesses of 5 or fewer full-time employees are required to be within the 51% low to moderate income range. That could also allow the owner of the business to be counted as one of the employees if they are also within the low to moderate income range. Ms. Saegesser will work with Susan Mills for application instructions to be posted on the Town's website and Facebook accounts for the applicants. Once applications are received, they will be reviewed by the designated committee members, Ms. Saegesser, and Ms. King, then the Council will approve and submit the application to OCRA for their approval. The Town has until May

2021 to spend the money. Applications are to be sent to the Town Hall to the attention of the Clerk-Treasurer by the end of the first week of June. If any monies are remain available, another round of applications may be submitted.

There being no further business to come before the Council and upon a motion made by Tyson Uhl and seconded by Hope Schneider, the meeting adjourned.

DATED: 6/2/2020

SIGNED: 

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