

Incorporated Town of Winamac  
Municipal Utilities Complex  
623 West 11<sup>th</sup> Street  
Winamac, IN 46996  
May 9, 2016 – 6:00 P.M.  
Regular Session

The Council for the Incorporated Town of Winamac met in regular session on May 9, 2016, at 6:00 p.m. in the Municipal Utilities Complex at 623 West 11<sup>th</sup> Street, with the following board members in attendance: Kenneth McFarland, Tom J. Murray, Dan Vanaman, Judy Heater and Jim Watkins. Also attending were Melanie A. Berger, Clerk-Treasurer; Justin Schramm, Town Attorney; Micah Sabec, intern with Murphy Law Group, P.C.; Jeremy Beckner, Water and Street Superintendent; Bradley Zellers, Town Manager and Wastewater Superintendent; Mark Hoffman, First Sergeant, Winamac Police Department ; Kim and Waylon Burke; Eric Walsh; Dave & Nora Chambers; Bonnie Hanawalt; Cathy DeFries; and Dave DeLorenzo, Park Manager.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Council President, Kenneth McFarland.

Eric Walsh from Umbaugh discussed refinancing the 2008 Wastewater Bonds. He will provide the Council with some costs associated with the refinancing. Discussion was also held regarding the increase in wastewater rates. Council Vice-President Tom J. Murray made a motion to refinance the 2008 Sewer Bonds, seconded by Councilmember Judy Heater, and motion passed unanimously. Council Vice-President Tom J. Murray made a motion to increase the wastewater rates 6%, seconded by Councilmember Judy Heater, and motion passed unanimously.

Dave and Nora Chambers asked the Council for permission to host a summer party on Saturday, July 16<sup>th</sup>, and asked that the Council approve the band playing until midnight at Tippy's. Discussion was held. Council Vice-President, Tom J. Murray, made a motion to allow the band to play until midnight and cleanup the town street by 1:00 a.m., seconded by Councilmember Judy Heater, and motion passed unanimously.

Cathy DeFries asked the Council for permission to park her food trailer in the Town's parking lot. She would also like to connect with the Town's electric. Discussion was held. Council Vice-President, Tom J. Murray, made a motion for Cathy to work with Brad, Jeremy and Clerk's Office to see about the electric connection and charges, seconded by Councilmember Judy Heater, and motion passed unanimously.

The minutes from the April 11, 2016 regular meeting were approved in a motion made by Council Vice-President Tom J. Murray, seconded by Councilmember Judy Heater and motion passed unanimously.

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The minutes from the April 28, 2016 special meeting were approved in a motion made by Councilmember Judy Heater, seconded by Council Vice-President Tom J. Murray, and motion passed unanimously.

Council Vice-Chairman Tom J. Murray made a motion to approve claims #9033 – # 9233 in the amount of \$881,174.85 as presented, seconded by Councilmember Judy Heater. Motion passed unanimously.

First Sergeant Mark Hoffman presented the statistical report for last month. The new police car is being prepared for the use and there are two (2) suspects regarding the theft in cars.

Waylon Burke, Wastewater Foreman, reported that his department has been cleaning catch basins; the drying bed has been filled; have done normal lab work; replacing sidewalk and poured concrete; mowed and sprayed for weeds; chipped brush with the electric department; jetted lines and maintenance on the blower.

Jeremy Beckner, Water and Street Superintendent, reported his department has been doing brush pickup; leaf pickup; flushed fire hydrants; installed a flag pole and did some landscaping at the plant; grated alleys; new water tap; the # 2 well is back in service and the tractor is being worked on.

Doug Shorter, Electric Superintendent, reported that his department continues to do line clearance, cut trees; changed the generator at the County Garage; chipped brush at the school; and changed out several old poles.

Dave DeLorenzo, Park Manager, stated that TD's Tree Service removed 49 trees of which three (3) of them were not to be taken down by TD. Discussion was held. Council Vice-President Tom J. Murray made a motion to pay TD's Tree Service \$18,350.00 and pay the balance once the three (3) remaining trees and stumps have been removed, and that TD have until May 20<sup>th</sup> to correct the issue. Said motion was seconded by Councilmember Judy Heater and motion passed with four (4) yeas and one (1) opposed, Dan Vanaman. Jeff Heims gave a quote to remove four (4) trees at \$1,650 and Practical gave a quote to remove the same four (4) trees at \$4,400.00.

Clerk-Treasurer's, Melanie A. Berger, report:

1. Resolution # 2 of 2016: A Resolution Authorizing the Transfer of EDIT Funds to the Town of Winamac General Fund was presented to the Council. Discussion was held. Council Vice-President Tom J. Murray made a motion to approve Resolution # 2 of 2016 as

presented. Said motion was seconded by Councilmember Judy Heater, and motion passed unanimously.

2. Resolution # 3 of 2016: A Resolution Vacating a Public Alley and Extinguishing the Town's Claim to an Unimproved Publicly Unused Alley was presented to the Council for a first reading.

3. Resolution # 4 of 2016: A Resolution Authorizing the Transfer of Funds from the Town of Winamac General Fund to the Rainy Day Fund was presented to the Council. Council Vice-President Tom J. Murray made a motion to approve Resolution # 4 of 2016 as presented. Said motion was seconded by Councilmember Dan Vanaman, and motion passed unanimously.

4. Resolution # 5 of 2016: a Resolution Establishing a LOIT Special Distribution Fund for the Receipt of a Sum Certain from the Pulaski County Auditor was presented to the Council. Councilmember Judy Heater made a motion to approve Resolution # 5 of 2016 as presented. Said motion was seconded by Councilmember Jim Watkins, and motion passed unanimously.

5. Ordinance # 6 of 2016: An Ordinance Establishing a Materiality Threshold for Reporting Irregular Material Variances, Losses, Shortages, and Thefts was presented to the Council. Councilmember Judy Heater made a motion to approve Ordinance # 6 of 2016 as presented, seconded by Council Vice-President Tom J. Murray and motion passed unanimously.

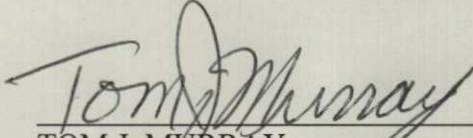
6. Ordinance # 7 of 2016: An Ordinance Establishing a Minimum Level of Internal Control Standards and Internal Control Procedures for the Town of Winamac, Indiana was presented to the Council for a first reading.

7. The Tippecanoe Township Fire Contract for 2015 was presented for approval. The Tippecanoe Township Fire Contract for 2016 was also presented for approval. Council Vice-President Tom J. Murray made a motion to approve both 2015 and 2016 fire contracts with Tippecanoe Township, seconded by Councilmember Dan Vanaman, and motion passed unanimously.

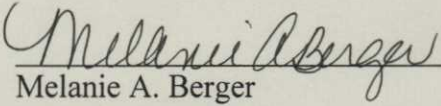
Council President Ken McFarland asked that a council meeting be scheduled to review those interested in serving on the Park Board.

Councilmember Judy Heater made a motion to adjourn at 7:06 p.m., seconded by Council Vice-President Tom J. Murray and motion passed unanimously.

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TOM J. MURRAY  
Winamac Town Council Vice-President

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Melanie A. Berger  
Clerk-Treasurer

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