

Incorporated Town of Winamac
Municipal Utilities Complex
623 West 11th Street
Winamac, IN 46996
December 12, 2016 – 5:00 P.M.
Regular Meeting

The Council for the Incorporated Town of Winamac met in regular session on December 12, 2016 at 5:00 p.m. in the Municipal Utilities Complex at 623 West 11th Street, with the following Council members in attendance: Tom J. Murray, Jim Watkins, Alvin R. Parish, and Judy Heater. Absent was Councilmember Dan Vanaman. Also attending were Melanie A. Berger, Clerk-Treasurer; Justin Schramm, Town Attorney; Bradley Zellers, Town Manager and Wastewater Superintendent; Waylon Burke, Wastewater Foreman; Mike Buchanan, Town Marshal, Winamac Police Department; Doug Shorter, Electric Superintendent; and Nathan P. Origer, CDC Director.

Council President Tom J. Murray called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Councilmember Judy Heater made a motion to approve claims # 10642 - # 10871 as presented in the amount of \$1,119,407.44, seconded by Councilmember Alvin R. Parish, and motion passed unanimously.

The minutes from the November 14, 2016 regular meeting were approved in a motion made by Councilmember Alvin R. Parish, seconded by Councilmember Judy Heater, and motion passed unanimously.

The minutes from the November 22, 2016 work session were approved in a motion made by Councilmember James Watkins, seconded by Councilmember Judy Heater, and motion passed unanimously.

Town Marshal, Mike Buchanan, provided the monthly report; reported that the new car is being used and the other two cars have had repairs; and all officers have had the required yearly training.

Doug Shorter, Electric Superintendent, reported the West Winn project has been completed; new service has been provided at Link Environmental; his department helped with the snow storm; hung additional Christmas decorations on Main and Pearl Streets; removed dead ash and maple trees; maintenance was done on the line truck; and the small bucket will be serviced soon. Approximately 105 three-phase meters were tested and the remaining meters will be tested next year. The meters will be serviced on a 2-year rotating cycle.

Waylon Burke, Wastewater Foreman, reported his department helped with leaf pickup; jetted lines west of State Road 119 and South of State Road 14; helped the electric department set poles; repaired a lift station issue; routine lab work; had the blower serviced; had the vac

truck serviced; helped with the installation of a water line at Franklin and Washington Streets; plowed the streets from the snow storm; and reported the telemetry is working.

Town Manager, Bradley Zellers' Report:

1. The petition to vacate Hogan Street from Becky Kinder was received today.
2. Engineering firm, Butler, Fairman and Seufert, is going to put together a plan for the Town to bring the Town into ADA compliance.
3. The agreement with the Pulaski Memorial Hospital was discussed. Councilmember Alvin R. Parish asked it would be possible to put a cap on what the Town would have to pay on an individual. The question will be addressed with the attorney representing the Town regarding the hospital.
4. The Winamac Plan Commission is recommending the Town of Winamac adopt the Pulaski County Zoning. Discussion was held. Councilmember Judy Heater made a motion to repeal the old zoning ordinance and any amendments after 1994 less the maps, seconded by Alvin R. Parish, and motion passed unanimously. Councilmember Alvin R. Parish made a motion to accept Pulaski County's zoning as the Town's zoning, seconded by Councilmember Judy Heater, and motion passed unanimously. Councilmember Judy Heater made a motion to amend the new zoning map as certified by the Winamac Plan Commission, seconded by Councilmember James Watkins, and motion passed unanimously.
5. The Town received the annual park gift from the Community Foundation of Pulaski County.

Clerk-Treasurer Melanie A. Berger's Report:

1. Bonds from the Clerk-Treasurer, Town Manager, First Deputy Clerk, Second Deputy Clerk and a blanket bond were presented to the Council for approval. Councilmember Judy Heater made a motion to approve the bonds, seconded by Councilmember Alvin R. Parish, and motion passed unanimously.
2. Ordinance # 18 of 2016: An Ordinance Creating a Local Road and Bridge Matching Grant Fund for the Town of Winamac, Indiana, was presented to the Council. Councilmember Judy Heater made a motion to approve Ordinance # 18 of 2016 as presented, seconded by Councilmember James Watkins, and motion passed unanimously.

3. Ordinance # 19 of 2016: An Ordinance Creating a Community Development Block Grant Fund for the Town of Winamac, Indiana, as presented to the Council. Councilmember Judy Heater made a motion to approve Ordinance # 19 of 2016 as presented, seconded by Councilmember James Watkins, and motion passed unanimously.

4. The following fire protection agreements were presented to the Council for approval: Fire Protection Agreement with the Winamac Volunteer Fire Department, Monroe Township, Franklin Township, Harrison Township, Rich Grove Township, Jefferson Township and Tippecanoe Township. Councilmember Alvin R. Parish made a motion to approve all contracts as presented, seconded by Councilmember Judy Heater, and motion passed unanimously. Council President Tom J. Murray commented that the Winamac Volunteer Fire Department needs additional volunteers.

5. A list of the 2017 appointments was provided to the Council for their review.

6. Clerk-Treasurer Berger reported that the application for the p-Card cannot be submitted as the Town has not had an audit or exam from the State Board of Accounts recently. The last audit was in December, 2011.

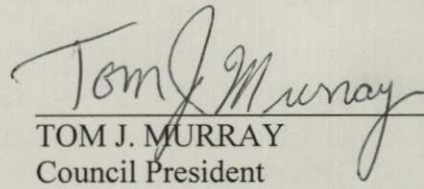
7. The last Council meeting for the year has been scheduled for Thursday, December 29th at 8:00 a.m.

8. Clerk-Treasurer Berger was granted permission from the Council to apply for a scholarship to attend the International Institute of Municipal Clerks in Canada in May, 2017. In order to complete the scholarship form, the Council needs to approve the cost associated with the trip and that the time will be allowed for the conference. Councilmember Judy Heater made a motion to approve the cost and time for the conference, seconded by Councilmember James Watkins, and motion passed unanimously.

There was no old or new business.

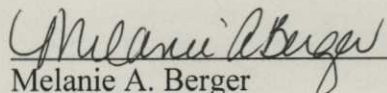
Councilmember Judy Heater made a motion to adjourn the regular meeting at 5:30 p.m., seconded by Councilmember James Watkins and motion passed unanimously. The Council then adjourned to the Pulaski County Joint meeting with the Commissioners and Council which began at 6:00 p.m. The Council then attended the County Council's meeting which began at 7:00 p.m. At 7:36 p.m. Town Manager Zellers spoke to the Pulaski County Council members asking the Council to consider not doing away with LOIT Public Safety taxes. Councilmember Judy Heater and Clerk-Treasurer Melanie A. Berger also spoke to the Pulaski County Council on the impact to the Winamac Volunteer Fire Department and Winamac Police Department if the Council were to dissolve the LOIT B Public Safety Taxes. The Council left the County meeting at 7:45 p.m.

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Council President

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