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AARON TRAVIS
COUNCIL PRESIDENT

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

August 19, 2024
Swayzee Town Hall

Meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by Aaron Travis, President.

Present were Aaron Travis, President; Paul Hamilton, Vice President; Rhonda Fagan and Heather Zirkle; Town Board Members.

Also in attendance were Kyle Persinger, Town Attorney; Brittanny Riner, Media; Josh Miller, Town Marshal; and Philip Howell, Streets Department.

Visitors: Jeff Duncan, Kenny Gates, Jordan Lamb, Rodney Lawson, Matt Marshall, Brady Edgington, Mike Shrock, and Don Thompson.

Paul Hamilton led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Paul Hamilton made a motion to accept the July 15, 2024 Regular Meeting Minutes. Aaron Travis seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a vote of 4-0-1.

Aaron Travis made a motion to accept the July 15, 2024 Executive Meeting Minutes. Heather Zirkle seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a vote of 4-0-1.

VISITORS

Brady Edgington-spoke about the lights at the basketball courts at East Park. He is done with the project and they are working. Electrical panel was "moderately corroded" and may need to be put on the update list. The receptacle broke and Brady did fix it.

The total for the project was \$178.69. Brady suggested that there needs to be signage in the park to explain how the new lighting system works. Please see paperwork for the breakdown of the cost.

Don Thompson from SEDC- spoke about a zoom meeting that will take place with the Ball State Professor and Students on August 28th. Mr. Thompson also spoke about a Public Forum that will be held at Town Hall on September 11th, 2024 at 6pm with the Ball State Professor and students to discuss the future of the Town of Swayzee.

Matt Marshall at 803 S 3rd St. would like to add a garage to the property. He would like to acquire a building permit from the Town Council. Mr. Marshall was also advised to call 811 to locate utilities on the property before the permit can be approved.

Jordan Lamb at 815 E. Lyons St. would like to obtain a building permit for the property. Currently there is no structure on the property. Town Council requested a time frame on when the town would need to offer the property sewer and water. Mr. Lamb then stated that his best guess would be in late October.

Jeff Duncan wanted to bring up the fact that there is a broken tile on East Lyons St. at the edge of town. There have been cones and barricades placed around the broken tile for two (2) years, but it is not fixed. Also the recycling bins have trash being left around them on the ground. Philip from the Streets Department stated that this issue is on his list of items to get accomplished. Jeff also suggested that a camera be put up behind the Truland to monitor the issue.

A request was made to get the fire hydrant on Watkins/ town property done.

Jordan Lamb- Mr. Lamb stated that Oak Hill will now be doing Junior High School Baseball. The Town may need to check into how to handle this.

Mike Shrock- Question on the movement on the wastewater plant. Yes - the town is moving forward and looks promising. There will be a letter of conditions and the town should receive this by the end of this year, 2024, or the first of the year 2025. The timing of this may help the town qualify for the OCRA grant.

CLERK TREASURER

Council to review and sign updated Salary Ordinance Amendment No. 2024.46. Philip Howell's recent raise was added to this one as well.

Aaron Travis made a motion to accept the Salary Ordinance Amendment No. 2024-2046. Paul Hamilton seconded the motion. The motion was approved 4-0-1.

McPeak- Nuisance- 117 W Lincoln St, property has been cleaned up but the vehicles are still in the yard. They are not tagged nor do they run. Court is set for August 26th, 2024 at 1:00 pm.

Mr Rademaker called me and said his pump to his pool broke 8/4-8/5/24 and lost a lot of water and had to fill it back up. Requesting a pool adjustment. Pool adjustments ended in July. Will the council approve this pool adjustment? This issue will be addressed after the September bill/ meter readings come out.

Swayzee Volunteer Fire Department 2025 Contract in the amount of \$27,690.46. This is a 3% raise from 2024 \$26,883.94.

Aaron Travis made a motion to sign the contract for the Swayzee Fire Department for \$27,690.46. Heather Zirkle seconded the motion. The motion was approved 4-0-1.

Southwest Medic 2025 Contract in the amount of \$5,500.00. This stayed the same.

Aaron Travis made a motion to sign the contract for Southwest Medic for \$5,500. Paul Hamilton seconded the motion. The motion was approved 4-0-1.

MEDIA

Brittany Riner- Tammy Melton to host Open House at Sassy Diva Sisters Boutique coordinated with Swayzee Days. The Open House will be held from 9am- 5pm on September 14th. Town will help promote the Open House. The Economic Development Corporation (EDC) will also have a tent set up.

Swayzee Days will be held on September 14th from 7:30am- 5:00pm.

TOWN ATTORNEY

Kyle Persinger- The attorney stated that the warranty deed is fine and to pay the taxes. Town will pursue Title Insurance for this property.

106 S. Sycamore- Attorney Persinger stated that they are working on this property. Josh Miller, Town Marshal, stated that he is monitoring the property and they are working on it.

Animal Control in the community- should the town have an ordinance on aggressive dogs. Kyle Persinger, Town Attorney, stated that he will be working on writing up an ordinance.

POLICE DEPARTMENT


Josh Miller, Town Marshal, stated that there were new tires put on one of the Charger police vehicles. Miller also stated that he had a blow out of a tire on the Marshal truck this afternoon and will need to have it replaced. Marshal Miller also stated that he has attended several training sessions in the last month. The radar certification for the Police Department is due for recertification in the month of September. Marshal Miller stated that he may have to get someone else to complete the certification due to the person that completes there is gone.

Philip Howell from the Town offered his thanks to the Town Council for his raise.

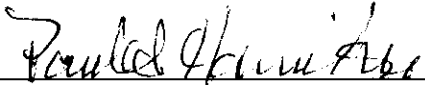
Aaron Travis made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Paul Hamilton seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a vote of 4-0-1.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

The next Town Council Meeting will be September 16, 2024.



Aaron Travis, President



Paul Hamilton, Vice President