

**Yorktown Town Council Regular Meeting
Monday, March 16, 2020 @ 5:30 PM
Yorktown Town Hall**

Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance, Roll Call:

Rick Glaub	Lon Fox	Dan Flanagan	Rich Lee	Robert Ratchford	Michael Burke	Bryan Smith
Present	Present	Present	Present	Absent	Absent	Present

Approval of Claims-Dan Flanagan motioned to approve claims totaling \$911,286.29. Rick Glaub seconded and the claims were approved unanimously.

Approval of February Meeting Minutes-Rick Glaub motioned to approved the minutes, Lon Fox seconded, and the minutes were approved unopposed.

Old Business-None

New Business: Resolution 2020-3. Expansion of Yorktown Economic Development Area-The Delaware County Commissioners have expressed interest in using TIF district money to help fund the Downtown Redevelopment Project. Expanding the EDA would connect the Town’s Economic Development Area’s (EDA) with a County EDA and would allow for the transfer of funds from the County to the Town. The next step in the process would be a Public Hearing held by the Redevelopment Commission and then the Commission would decide to approve, modify, or rescind the change in the EDA. Dan Flanagan moved to approve the resolution, Bryan Smith seconded, and the motion passed uncontested.

Resolution 2020-4: Request for a short-term loan from the Wastewater and Water Utility Funds to the General Fund. The Town has requested approximately \$2 million to cover expenses related to the purchase of property, design, and engineering costs related to ongoing projects from bond proceeds and expects to receive approximately \$1.3 million in funding from the County. The loan would cover expenditures until funds are received from the tax draw. The allowable amount presented included a transfer of \$365,000 and \$750,000 from the water and sewer utilities, respectively, to the General Fund. Rick Glaub motioned to approve the transfer resolution, Bryan Smith seconded, and the motion passed without dissent.

Resolution 2020-5: Transfer of Funds. Clerk Treasurer Turner presented the resolution to the council to transfer appropriations within funds to eliminate negative balances in appropriation accounts. The activity normally occurs as part of year end procedures, but requires the council to approve the transfers. Lon Fox motioned to approve the resolution, Dan Flanagan seconded, and the motion passed without opposition.

Water/Waste Water/Storm Water-The Indiana Finance Authority has required a new contract with the Delaware County Regional Waste delaying the closing of the SRF loan.

Departmental Reports-On behalf of the Park Board, Pete Olson reported that all park events have been postponed. The American Legion has offered to host the Easter Egg Hunt if it were to be rescheduled in the month of June. Fire Chief Boone reported that the department was taking action to protect the department in the event that a first responder contracted the virus. Chief Boone proposed to pay off an

outstanding gear loan without affecting the cash fund balance required to support the Fire Department Budget in order to proactively purchase air packs for the firemen with an extended loan that would include lower payments. Town Manager Olson added that consideration would be given to having the appropriate cash balance to lessen the fluctuation of the tax rate (that resulted from the 2017, pay in 2018 fire department budget).

Mr. Olson requested permission to close Town Hall to the public, operating business as usual for Town employees effective Tuesday morning, March 17, 2020. Customers could pay utility bills by mail, online, or using the drop box. No disconnects of water would take place in the month of March. The Town Manager pointed out the criteria for sending employees home from work. Without objection, the council acknowledged and agreed to the announcement. Mr. Olson also reported that the Indiana Finance Authority required an audit of water systems and that Debbie Marlow and Jessie Bachman were certified to be part of the audit team. In addition, Pete Olson and Erin Hurley, who received the high score on the certification test, were certified to validate water system audits of both the Town of Yorktown and surrounding towns. Clerk Treasurer Turner presented a special claim of \$83,468 that included court ordered appraisal fees and purchase of property right of way claims. Lon Fox motioned to approve the claim, Dan Flanagan seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Comments were made from the Floor and from Town Council Members

Upcoming Meetings: April 20, 2020

Adjournment: 6:02 p.m.

President-Rich Lee

**Prepared by/Attest
Clerk Treasurer-Lance Turner**