

## **NASHVILLE TOWN COUNCIL MEETING THURSDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2016**

**ATTENDANCE:** Council members present – President Charles B. King, Vice-President Jane Gore, Councilmember Alisha Gredy, Councilmember Arthur Omberg and Councilmember Dave Rudd. Also in attendance – Town Manager Scott Rudd, Town Utility Manager Sean Cassiday, Police Chief Ben Seastrom, Town Attorney Andy Szakaly and Clerk-Treasurer Brenda Young.

### **COUNCIL BUSINESS**

1) **CALL TO ORDER** by Councilmember King at 6:30pm.

### **2) LOADING AND UNLOADING ZONE DISCUSSION**

President King read aloud state code 9-21-1-5 on limitation on local control of state highways. He asked for the Council's vote on whether they should address this subject tonight. The Council agreed to discuss the subject.

Property owner Marilyn Rudd addressed the Council regarding the removal of the loading and unloading next to the Hob Nob on Van Buren Street. She noted in 1956 the Town established this loading zone and in 1995 the Council revisited this zoning and voted to keep this as a loading zone. Ms. Rudd explained the history of the area and it has not been an issue all these years as a loading and unloading zone.

Town Attorney Szakaly advised the Town does not have the ability to do anything legally with State Road 135/Van Buren Street. He suggested that anyone can petition INDOT to allow some sort of variance on their highway. At this point the Town is not allowed to put up any signs along the highway unless they are authorized by INDOT. Town Attorney Szakaly noted with the new paving by INDOT this year, some of the parking spaces and crosswalks have been removed. Discussion.

Police Chief Seastrom recommended that they have an entire town wide ordinance that allows loading/unloading from 5:30-7:30am if the State agrees. Further discussion.

President King opened the meeting for comments from the audience. Ruth Reichmann of the Peaceful Valley Heritage Preservation read aloud a letter from Mark Dollase of Indiana Landmarks concerning the loading/unloading area and believes the area can be restriped.

Resident Cathy Martin asked if the Town had anything to do with the striping after INDOT repaved the highway. President King advised they met with INDOT several times and came to a compromise and agreement with the current striping including the buffer next to the sidewalk. Mrs. Martin commented that if deliveries were only allowed a couple of hours each morning they wouldn't be able to do business. Discussion.

Mike Kline addressed the Council and explained he has received a ticket for unloading in this area after the paving. He has talked with the police and Utility Manager Cassiday about alternative locations to unload his product to his store. Discussion.

Councilmember Omberg made a motion to investigate the state statutes with loading and unloading of commercial product and petition the State to make this a designated loading/unloading zone. Councilmember Rudd seconded the motion. All were unanimously in favor.

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President King opened up the meeting for further comments from the audience. Mrs. Reichmann asked Town Manager Rudd to talk with Mark Dollase of Indiana Landmarks and also on the Scenic By Way Committee about this topic.

President King asked Police Chief Seastrom about ticketing vehicles in this area. Police Chief Seastrom explained that at this time it is not marked as a loading/unloading zone and those in violation will be ticketed. Discussion.

Town Manager Rudd commented that he is not optimistic that INDOT will allow for this area to be a load/unloading zone. He asked the Council what they want him to do if they say no. Councilmember Omberg asked to research if there is a state statute concerning commercial loading and unloading zones. Town Attorney Szakaly advised he will also do research if there is such a state statute.

### **3) 2017 BUDGET PUBLIC HEARING**

President King opened the meeting for the 2017 Budget Public Hearing. Clerk-Treasurer Young presented the tax budgets and noted they advertised the budget as required by the State. Clerk-Treasurer Young advised they don't anticipate the rate to go up for 2017 and believes the budget will be very similar as well. The budget will be adopted by the Council on October 20, 2016 at the Town Council meeting.

Clerk-Treasurer Young asked the Council to meet to look at the budget line items prior to the regular Town Council meeting. The Council scheduled to meet Tuesday, October 11, 2016 at 1pm.

Clerk-Treasurer Young asked if there were any questions from the audience on the budget. No questions from the audience. The budget hearing was adjourned at 7:17pm.

### **4) ANY OTHER BUSINESS THAT MAY COME BEFORE THE COUNCIL**

Town Manager Rudd advised People's Bank has extended better rates to the Town and they have offered a 1% reduction on their loans. He asked the Council's permission to move ahead on this and bring back more information at their next meeting. Discussion. The Council asked that Town Manager Rudd look into the true cost of renegotiating the loans.

Town Manager Rudd updated the Council on the Bean Blossom-Brown County Sewer District. He explained in the past year the Town was approached about giving a wholesale rate and the Council authorized a rate study and the study cost the town approximately \$2,500. The sewer district is now asking the Town to pay for the engineering cost to connect the sewer district to the Town's treatment plant. The sewer district has also decided to go with grinder pumps rather than effluent pumps as originally discussed. Town Manager Rudd explained that grinder pumps send solids to the plant which tend to be more costly to treat.

Town Manager Rudd advised they received a draft plan from the sewer district in September but the draft was dated July. He and Utility Manager Cassidy will review the documents and proposals and keep the Council informed.

Town Manager Rudd reported the leaking roof at the police department will not be covered by our insurance company as it was not a result of hail damage. They could inquire about wind damage to the roof as suggested by one of the contractors. Or they can secure a contractor and move forward with replacing the roof. Clerk-Treasurer Young advised they will need to invite some proposals.

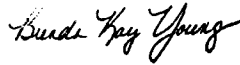
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Councilmember Gredy suggested they move on this quickly. Discussion of metal or shingle. Clerk-Treasurer Young mentioned the roof will have to go before the Development Review Commission as well.

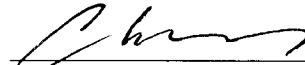
**ADJOURNMENT**

President King adjourned the meeting at 7:29pm.

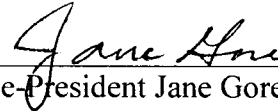
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Clerk-Treasurer Brenda K. Young



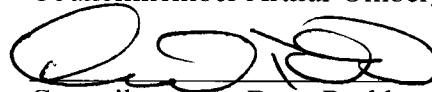
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