**North Liberty Town Council Minutes – April 15, 2019**

The regular meeting of the North Liberty Town Council was held at the North Liberty Community Building. Gerry Brown, President led the Pledge of Allegiance and Matt Peterson gave the Invocation. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M.

Randy Lemert, Will Groves, Jr. and Tom England, Council Members, Town Attorney Marcel Lebbin, Town Marshal Jim Andrews, Utilities Manager Skip Davidson and Vicki Kitchen Clerk-Treasurer were in attendance. There were four citizens present, Eric Walsh and Ross Hagen from Baker Tilly. There was no representation from the press.

Will Groves, Jr. made a motion to approve the consent agenda including the April 1, 2019 Minutes, and the vouchers as presented. Matt Peterson seconded the motion. All voted to approve.

Robert Gordon provided documentation regarding excessive use at his property including a plumbing report and pass usage. Skip Davidson had done a calculation regarding the usage. He recommended a 2/3 credit of the usage and 1/3 be the responsibility of the homeowner. Will Groves, Jr. made a motion to grant the credit based on Skip Davidson’s recommendation basing the sewer usage on the previous three months before the leak. Randy Lemert seconded the motion. All voted to approve. Tomorrow penalties are applied. Penalties will be waived due to this calculation.

Andy Troepp, President of the North Liberty Youth League, inquired about the Town helping with mowing the ball park at the VFW. The mowing is $3,000 flat rate per year. Discussion followed. The town attorney advised the Town could not provide services outside the town limits.

Gerry Brown opened the public hearing on the Reesatablishment of the CCD Fund. There was no comment from the public. Will Groves, Jr. made a motion to adopt Ordinance # 2019-03 ORDINANCE REESTABLISHING THE CUMULATIVE CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT FUND Under Indiana Code 36-9-15.5. Matt Peterson seconded the motion. All voted to approve. The public hearing was closed.

Eric Walsh and Ross Hagen, Baker Tilly, gave an overview on the Town’s fund balance, five year capital plan, and utility rates. A copy is filed with minutes. One of the biggest unknowns is the DLZ engineering estimates for Stellar Trail after the environmental is completed. There was lengthy discussion regarding long term financing and utility options. The summer sprinkling credit was discussed. The clerk’s office will provide utility reports for further discussion.

Code Violations Ordinance #2019-01 was presented for adoption. Matt Peterson made a motion to approve ORDINANCE # 2019-01 AND ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 1-45, ORDINANCE VIOLATIONS CIVIL PENALTY SCHEDULE OF THE TOWN CODE FOR THE TOWN OF NORTH LIBERTY, INDIANA. Randy Lemert seconded the motion. All voted to approve.

Town Marshal Jim Andrews did not have anything to report at this time.

Skip Davidson brought items up for discussion, fill station, alleys mower, fitness trail, high service pump, pressure filters. Matt Peterson made a motion for Skip Davidson to locate the first piece fitness equipment on the railraod parcel B. Randy Lemert seconded the motion. All voted to approve. A ribbon cutting dedication will be May 20, 2019 at 6:45 P.M. prior to the North Liberty Town Council meeting.

The mower quote of $26,846.00 was discussed. This particular piece of equipment in not on the state bid list. A second quote from another dealer will be obtained prior to purchase. The mowing equipment will be paid from the town, street, park, water, and wastewater department. Will Groves, Jr. made a motion to purchase the mower not to exceed $30,000.00. Tom England seconded the motion. All voted to approve.

The high service pump at the water plant was discussed. Two quotes received but there benefits of going with the higher bid as we want to put this on an annual maintenance contract with Suez as was done for the water tower. Discussion continued. Will Groves, Jr. made a motion to have the high service pump replaced, with a not to exceed price of $31,000.00. Matt Peterson seconded the motion. All voted to approve.

The pressure filters are the last item that need to be replaced at the water plant. This needs to be completed in 2020 for the water plant and is included in the five year capital plan.

IT Services were briefly discussed. They will be discussed again at the May meeting.

Matt Peterson made a motion to adopt the 2019 Revised Personnel Policy Manual. Tom England seconded the motion. All voted to approve. The mandated training will be April 25, 2019.

A legal non-conforming use was further discussed.

There has not been any further discussion of Shamrock Estates development regarding a grant application. Vicki Kitchen will follow up with Werner Consulting and Justus Properties tomorrow.

Gerry Brown recommended Leslie VanOverberghe, Rick Klinedinst, and Marty Gillean be appointed to the North Liberty Tree Board. The town council concurred.

With no further business before the North Liberty Town Council, Randy Lemert made a motion to adjourn at 8:30 P.M. Matt Peterson England seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

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Vicki L. Kitchen, Clerk-Treasurer