

North Liberty Town Council Minutes – December 2, 2015

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

Will Groves, Jr., Brett Voreis, and Tom England Council Members, Town Marshal Michael Sawdon, Attorney Marcel Lebbin, Utilities Manager Skip Davidson, and Vicki Kitchen Clerk-Treasurer were in attendance. There were five citizens present. There was no representation from the press.

Will Groves, Jr. made a motion to approve the consent agenda including November 18, 2015 Town Council Minutes, November 23, 2015 Executive Session Minutes, Resolution #2015-10 Fund Transfer, and the vouchers as presented. Brett Voreis seconded the motion. All voted to approve.

Shirley Ringle stated the business at 409 S. State Street was closed in 2011. Discussion followed regarding the current conditions of the property. The Town Council concurred to allow the Ringle's 35 days from December 3, 2015 to remove their personal property and remove the fence and the roof at 409 S. State Street. After the 35 days they are to have the utilities turned off.

Larry Magliozzi asked the Town Council if they needed any explanation of the language in Floodplain Ordinance # 2015-11. There were no questions in the public hearing. Will Groves, Jr. made a motion to approve Ordinance #2015-11. Tom England seconded the motion. All voted to approve.

Senator Jim Arnold gave a legislative update based upon the summer study session including RIFFA, roadway funding, education, and Pseudoephedrine. The state legislature will be in session January 5 – March 14, 2016.

Town Marshal Michael Sawdon distributed the November Police Report. A copy is filed with the minutes.

Skip Davidson gave an update on the wastewater improvements project. Leaves are being picked up as weather permits due to the leaf vac being down a couple weeks.

Problem properties were discussed. Jerry Hardman has requested two weeks of good weather and his building will be completed. 208 E. Center Street needs a timeline of the clean up of their property. 412 W. Maple Avenue remains red tagged from the burned garage. 404 S. State Street has cleaned up the wood pile.

DLZ Proposal for services of demolition and asbestos assessment of 409 S. State Street was discussed. Brett Voreis made a motion to approve the services agreement not to exceed \$5,000.00. Matt Peterson seconded the motion. All voted to approve.

The Town Council discussed updating the personnel policy. H R Unlimited submitted a proposal for \$3,150.00. Attorney Marcel Lebbin said May Oberfell Lorber would update our personnel policy for the same price. (E-mail included with the minutes). Will Groves, Jr. made a motion for May Oberfell Lorber update the personnel policy. Brett Voreis seconded the motion. All voted to approve

The Town has been contacted by two farmers regarding Tamarack Trail. DLZ will address their concerns.

The elected officials Nepotism forms were distributed for signature and will be filed in the clerk-treasurer's office.

The alley and property of 307 S. State Street was discussed. The property owner will be contacted to see if she would be interested in a driveway cut to the south of the house utilizing 50/50 funds. Access to this property will be available with the north south alley on Maple Avenue.

Gerry Brown reported O'Connor Delivery is interested in purchasing the property behind their residence from Liberty Township for a building for their business. This will have to be sent to Area Plan Commission for zoning and public hearing recommendations.

Gerry Brown presented Brett Voreis with a restaurant gift card for his years of service on the North Liberty Town Council.

With no further business before the North Liberty Town Council, Will Groves, Jr. made a motion to adjourn at 8:23. Matt Peterson Voreis seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

Vicki L. Kitchen, Clerk-Treasurer

