

**TOWN OF OSGOOD  
EXECUTIVE SESSION  
Tuesday, March 12, 2024  
6:30 p.m.**

Present at the meeting were Tammy Wilhoit, Holley Rose, and Chris Kuhn

RE: IC 5-14-1.5-6.1 (b) (9)

Meeting adjourned to go into regular meeting.

**TOWN OF OSGOOD  
REGULAR MEETING  
Tuesday, March 12, 2024**

Present at the meeting were Tammy Wilhoit, Chris Kuhn, Holley Rose, Steve Wilhoit, Alex Wilhelm, Jason Smith, Dustin and Caleb Payne.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call – Bill Roberts and Lynn Fledderman were not present

Motion to waive the reading and adopt the pre-read minutes. Holley 1<sup>st</sup> Chris 2<sup>nd</sup>  
2 – ayes

Old Business:

- a. The two soda pop machines from in front of the computer store have been removed.
- b. 2<sup>nd</sup> reading of Ordinance 2024-3: An updated Ordinance of Wastewater Pretreatment, sets forth requirements for users of the publicly owned treatment works for the town and enables the town to comply with all applicable state and federal laws. Nothing has adversely changed, but the language has been updated to the current regulatory standards.

Motion to approve second reading and final adoption of Ordinance 2024-3.  
Holley 1<sup>st</sup>, Chris 2<sup>nd</sup>  
2 - ayes

- c. 2<sup>nd</sup> reading of Ordinance 2024-5: §91.99 Penalty. Corrected the days of the penalty.

Motion to approve 2<sup>nd</sup> reading and final adoption of Ordinance 2024-5. Holley 1<sup>st</sup>,  
Chris 2<sup>nd</sup>  
2 – ayes

- d. Last month we discussed creating a Designated Outdoor Refreshment Area (DORA) – after looking into it further and getting questions answered on a retailer currently operating within the boundaries, the Town will not be able have this area designated.
- e. Lynn had previously prepared and sent a letter supporting the liquor license for a new Mexican Restaurant.

Commonwealth Project Memo:

**Water Improvement Project –**

- A Pre-Construction Meeting was held on February 9, 2024 between Commonwealth, the Town, the Contractor, and SIRPC. The anticipated construction start date is April 9<sup>th</sup>.
- We continue correspondence with INDOT regarding the Occupancy Permit for this project.
- IDEM Review / Approval of Plant Shut Down:

IDEM has provided comments on the ERP. Brady is in the process of assembling a response to these comments.

Motion to approve Commonwealth's claim for \$6,500 Additional Bidding and Construction. Holley 1<sup>st</sup>, Chris 2<sup>nd</sup>  
2 - ayes

#### Trail Project –

- Project advertised for bid. A Pre-bid meeting was held on 2/12/24 and bids will be opened on 3/19/24.

Motion to approve Commonwealth's claim for \$6,375.00 for Design, Permits, and Bidding. Holley 1<sup>st</sup>, Chris 2<sup>nd</sup>  
2 - ayes

Motion to approve Commonwealth's claim for \$8,605 for Design, Permit, and Bidding. Holley 1<sup>st</sup>, Chris 2<sup>nd</sup>  
2 - ayes

#### Downtown Sidewalks (Buckeye Street from Ripley Street to Beech Street) –

- Final design is near completion. A Meeting is scheduled (march 13, 2024) with staff to review the latest drawings. Coordination regarding bidding will also be discussed during this meeting.
- Plans have been issued to all utilities and responses have been received. CEI personnel will meet with several utilities on March 13, 2024, to finalized details of where construction may impact utilities. At his point, conflicts appear to be minimal.
- Permits for INDOT and CSX were filed last month, and we still await responses from each. Inquiries regarding the status and permit requirements have been made. Comments and permit conditions will be reviewed with town staff upon receiving them and will be formulated into the plans and specifications.
- Project is anticipated to bid at the end of April.

Preliminary Engineering Agreement with CSX Transportation Inc. for permitting of the Downtown Sidewalk Project. It sets terms and conditions for permitting and the ultimate work on CSX right of way. This agreement includes an estimated cost of \$17,490, if CSX has to involve their engineer, if they would have to have flaggers, or any costs they would incur during this project they would bill us.

Motion for Chris Kuhn to sign the agreement. Holley 1<sup>st</sup>, Chris 2<sup>nd</sup>  
2 - ayes

Motion to approve Commonwealth's claims of \$35,550.00 for Preliminary and Final Design and \$6,608.00 for Survey/Data Collections, Permit Assistance, and Landscape Architect. Holley 1<sup>st</sup>, Chris 2<sup>nd</sup>  
2 - ayes

Lynn sent over a proposed Agreement of Lease for 240 Craven. Council needs to review and if it is acceptable, make a motion to give Lynn the authority to publish to bid out lease. Steve and Tony have talked with several businesses and realtors and the Fair Market Value for the monthly lease has been determined to be \$1,200.

Motion to give Lynn Fledderman the authority to publish to bid out lease. Holley 1<sup>st</sup>, Chris 2<sup>nd</sup>  
2 - ayes

Clerk-Treasurer contacted Rumpke concerning trash pickup on April 8<sup>th</sup> due to the possible traffic issues of the Solar Eclipse. Rumpke has given 2 options: start early the day of April 8<sup>th</sup>



(4-5 a.m.) and finish early (9-10 a.m.) or not provide services on that Monday and only do Thursday pickup.

Motion to approve an earlier start for services. Holley 1<sup>st</sup>, Chris 2<sup>nd</sup>  
2 - ayes

The Ripley County Area Plan Commission had a favorable vote for the zoning change at 101 South Maple Street. Introducing Ordinance 2024-6 to Amend the Unified Zoning Ordinance of Ripley County.

Motion to change 101 South Maple from I-1 Enclosed Industrial to General Business. Holley 1<sup>st</sup>,  
Chris 2<sup>nd</sup>  
2 - ayes

Steve Wilhoit stated that he knows there were some concerns with leasing the Medical Building out for something other than what it was built for, but he has reached out to the Ripley County Economic Director and a medical facility to let them know it was available. At this time, they had no interest. Someone reached out to the Town wanting to lease it for office space, so instead of it sitting empty we could utilize it for that until something else comes up. We would be able to use the lease money for maintenance that is needed on the building. There are some busted windows, the water heater needs replaced, and some light fixtures are needing replaced as well. He also read minutes from the Ripley County Area Plan Commission asking each town to draft an ordinance to prohibit residential in the local and general business areas. Holley will call Lynn and discuss creating this ordinance. It was also discussed about the solar eclipse on April 8<sup>th</sup>. Businesses and the school will be shutting down due to the influx of people expected to travel that day. Town employees will be available to assist the Police and Fire Department with anything that may arise. The Town will be closing W. Ripley Street and possibly O&M to prevent heavy truck loads and damaging the streets.

Police Department – Alex Wilhelm stated they had 73 calls. They were going to look into a USDA Grant for another police vehicle.



Jason Smith was present to talk about the multiple issues they are having with Rumpke not picking up their garbage. Holley will talk to Lynn about a letter to Rumpke.

Dustin and Caleb Payne were present to talk about the project that O.B.C. is working on by Voldico. They've been speaking with Gary Norman about Read Grant money.

Claims signed.

Motion was made to adjourn the meeting. Chris 1<sup>st</sup>, Holley 2<sup>nd</sup>  
2 - ayes

  
Clerk-Treasurer

  
President, Chris Kuhn  
  
Member, Holley Rose

