

TOWN OF THORNTOWN
TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING
DECEMBER 29, 2016

The Thorntown Town Council met in special session on December 29, 2016, at the Thorntown Town Hall. The meeting was called to order at 8:30 AM.

Present were Don Johnson, Koren Gray, Mark Garing, and Larry Acton. Absent was Larry Truitt.

Also present were Town Attorney Dennis Williams, Council Member elect John Shives, and Clerk-Treasurer John Gillan.

Election of Officers: Mark moved to elect Don Johnson as Council President for 2017 and Koren Gray as Vice-President. This motion was seconded by Larry A and passed 4-0.

Date and Time of Meetings: Larry A. moved that there be a Council meeting on the third (3rd) Monday of every month and on the first (1st) Monday of January, March, May, July, September, and November. These meetings will start at 7:00 PM. This motion was seconded by Koren and passed 4-0.

Council Pay: Don suggested a salary increase of \$1,000 for the extra meetings. Mark thought that seemed a little high. Koren moved to have an amended salary ordinance with a \$600 increase in salary for Council members presented at next meeting. Mark seconded. Motion passed 4-0.

Board Appointments: Koren moved to reappoint Angie Moody and Margo Black to the Park Board. Mark seconded. Passed 4-0.

Appointments to planning board were tabled. Debbie Lazier from GRW will be invited to a future Board meeting to discuss planning services.

Appointment to Utility Board will be done at next meeting.

Reorganization: Outline and presentation will be done by March meeting. It was suggested that the trustees of Sugar Creek and Washington be invited to a Board meeting.

Attorney Contract: Dennis will present a new contract for 2017 at January 2nd meeting.

LIT: Mark; What do Russ and Mike want on a wish list? Larry A suggested portable speed limit signs. Flashing lights at school cross walks was suggested. Also better street lighting at school.

Dennis suggested that after the county ordinance is received, we should pass an ordinance showing what our share of money can be used for.

American Legal: Proposed changes to mordancies were presented. Will be presented for vote at Jan 2nd meeting.

Concerns: Cumulative Funds was discussed. John to prepare information for January 2 meeting.

Sidewalks: Since the Town is involved with a lawsuit over someone being injured on a sidewalk, it was suggested that we prepare a sidewalk ordinance.

Tracey Senticing: January 5, 2017. Dennis will attend.

Koren moved that the meeting be adjourned. Seconded by Mark. Passed 4-0.

Meeting adjourned at 9:58 AM

ATTEST:

JOHN GILLAN, CLERK-TREASURER

MIKE HIGHT, VICE PRESIDENT