

TOWN OF THORNTOWN  
TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES

December 18, 2017

The Thorntown Town Council met on December 18, 2017, at the Town Hall. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by President Don Johnson.

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present were Council members Don Johnson, Larry Acton, John Shives, Mark Garing and Koren Gray.

Also present were Angie Moody, Attorney Dennis Williams, Marshal Russ Voils, Clerk-Treasurer John Gillan, Attorney Amy Nooning, Gary Moody, Debra Lazir, and Frank Small.

John moved to accept minutes from the previous meetings. Larry seconded the motion and the motion passed 5-0.

Attorney Dennis Williams introduced the new Town Attorney Amy Nooning.

#### REPORTS

Utility/Street: Don has talked to camera supplier. Rough estimate \$500-700 for camera at sewage pond. Board discussion on camera at pond and who will pay. Mark moved that the town pick all of the cost of the camera. John seconded and the motion passed 5-0.

Park: Sound Garden is completed. Dedication is being planned. Looking at ice skating at the park. Camera is operational.

Police: Written report. Russ requested the town purchase an Auto License Plate Recognition System. Cost \$25,000 plus \$1,500-2500 annual fee. Will be partnering with Boone County Sheriff. Purchase with LECE money. Larry moved to purchase the ALPRS with LECE monies. Annual fees also to come from LECE money. Koren seconded. Motion passed 5-0.

Development: Planning grant has been submitted. Working on house numbers.

Web Site: Ordinances are online. New ordinances need to be added.

#### OLD BUSINESS

Interlocal agreement with Boone County: Corrected agreement signed.

Young and Son Contract: Contract for paving alley from main to plum and the alley behind Lost Frontier signed.

Community Crossings Grant: Grant was signed by Board President.

Marshal Contract: Signed by Marshall and Board.

House numbers: Scouts presented update on project. Budget for project \$500. Don moved that the Town pick up \$400 of the cost with any remaining from contributions. Mark seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

Elm Street: Local contractor is purchasing.

Smith Building: Window fell out of building. State highway put up barricades. Debra Lazir from GRW proposed furnishing engineering and inspection services to solve problem with failing building. State statutes must be followed. Dennis advised that state statutes should be adopted as Thorntown's unsafe building code. Process to declare building unsafe will take six months. Contract will be on a per hour basis and will be from \$2,000-\$3,000 dollars. Koren moved to hire GRW for this work. Larry seconded the motion and it passed 5-0.

Livestock Ordinance: Tabled indefinitely.

Community Crossings Bids: Gary Ladd did the bid opening for the street paving work. Bids will be taken under advisement and a recommendation will be given on January 15.

#### NEW BUSINESS

Resolution 2017-5 Transfers: Mark moved, with a second by Koren, to approve transfers to keep apparitions in balance. Passed 5-0

Monthly meetings: John moved to hold regular board meetings the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of each month at 7:00 in the Town Hall. Seconded by Mark and passed 5-0.

Extra Board Meetings: Koren move to hold a second Board Meeting in even months, on the first Monday, at 7:00 in the Town Hall. Seconded by Mark and passed 5-0.

Board President: Koren moved to elect Don Johnson as Board President for 2018. This motion seconded by John and passed 5-0.

Board Vice President: Mark moved that Koren Gray be vice president for 2018. Motion seconded by Larry and passed 5-0.

Combining units of government: Will be on January agenda

Clerk=Treasure has repaid IRS fines and fees.

#### CLAIMS

Meeting adjourned: 8:45 PM

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ATTEST:

JOHN GILLAN, CLERK-TREASURER

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Koren Gray, Vice President