

TOWN OF ADVANCE  
REGULAR MEETING  
September 14, 2015  
7:00 PM

Attendance: Councilman Harris, Councilman Hoskins, and Councilman McKinney present.  
Councilman Hill absent. Legal Counsel present.

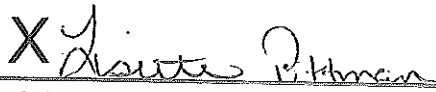
Pledge of Allegiance

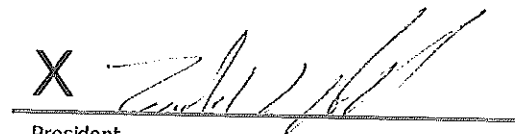
Councilman Hoskins announces meeting will be held to Robert's Rules of Order and instructs public to state their name and address when speaking and to discuss the item at hand only.

- Minutes –
  - Motion made by Councilman McKinney, and seconded by Councilman Harris to accept Regular Meeting minutes from 08/10/2015 approved as written. All in favor, motion passed.
- Girl Scout (Recycling) – Bailey & Jennifer Kraus
  - Boone County Waste Management and Girl Scouts are joining together to bring a recycling bin to the North side of the property that is owned by Bob Hill, located on Main St.
  - There is no cost to the Town, and will be maintained by the Girl Scouts.
  - Could place the containers on the property as early as Tuesday or Wednesday.
- Utilities - (Nathan Reed, Christopher Shelton)
  - \*see attached: Monthly list
  - Lift station pump back at South St. location
  - Ladd Engineering proposal – Motion to accept Ladd Engineering proposal by Councilman Harris, seconded by Councilman McKinney. All in favor, motion passed.
- Park – (No one in attendance)
  - Councilman Hoskins spoke to Rachel Cardis with Boone County Area Planning Commission and she stated that the Town needs to reapply for a permit in order to continue with building the restroom as the project has stalled for at least 6 months or more, as well as having Jerry Seymour, Boone County Building Inspector, come look at the building thus far.
  - David Lumpkin has submitted a bid from A.C. Custom Framing to complete the restroom project.
- Library – (No one in attendance)
- Police Department (Marshal Ray Hieston)
  - \* see attached: Monthly report
  - Ray Hieston will be on vacation from September 17-18 and will return on the 20<sup>th</sup>.
  - Had to take light bar off of his car, as it fell off on a run, and placed one on the inside of his car for \$625.

- Caleb, walked the street in a black hoodie and nobody called in. They have been patrolling the park, but nobody has shown up out there.
- Councilman Hoskins, very seldom see's anybody on duty. Ray Hieston states somebody is on duty either in the morning or afternoon when the buses are going through Town everyday.
- Fire Department (Dave Cook)
  - Dave Cook states they had 11 runs last month. 2 working fires - barns. (no report) They were unable to do anything as they were middle of the night fires.
  - Replaced an old rescue engine pump truck from Afghanistan – Dover location
  - Received an ambulance from Avon
- 2016 Budget – Public Hearing
  - Open the meeting up to a Public Hearing
  - Amy Noonning – Questions the process of how the budget should be advertised, and the timeline in which to do it. She states she is not certain of how it's done and will contact the DLGF and SBOA. Clerk-Treasurer states she is following the guidance of Retha Hicks, whom was hired by the Town to prepare the 2016 Budget, and the guidelines under the DLGF on how to prepare a budget.
  - Councilman Hoskins, reads the 2016 Budget Ordinance.
  - Councilman Hoskins, states the adoption of the 2016 Budget will be read at the next Town meeting on 10/13/2015.
  - Amy Noonning states the Budget has not been properly submitted for the past two years and states she or somebody should contact the DLGF and SBOA to see what remedial actions can be taken.
  - Amy Noonning asks the Clerk-Treasurer what the affect of the Budget not being submitted for the past few years' means. Clerk-Treasurer states that there has been no increase in monetary gain to the Town, and that it has just stayed at the same amount of monies that it has been from the last time a Budget had been submitted.
  - Councilman Hoskins and Amy Noonning ask if there are any questions in regards to the 2016 Budget. Nobody in attendance has any questions.
  - Councilman Hoskins, closes the Public Hearing.
- Open –
  - Amy Noonning advises the Council to request an audit from SBOA.
  - Amy Noonning advises the Council to write a letter to Suzy Bass requesting her to write out a report of her findings.
  - Amy Noonning states the Town may be able to reimburse Suzy Bass's fees through the past Clerk-Treasurer's bonding company.
  - Amy Noonning advises the Council that with their approval she will go ahead and contact the bonding companies and put them on alert.
  - Councilman Hoskins, asks the Clerk-Treasurer bank account status. Clerk-Treasurer states that the Town is low on money and the Clerk's office is looking over the last few years as to how much was receipted in and how much was billed.
  - Clerk-Treasurer states that the Town only has one bank account and that there needs to be multiple accounts to separate the department's funds. Clerk-Treasurer also states not having a budget for the last few years has probably also hurt the Town financially.

- Claims –
  - Councilman Harris motions to approve claims, seconded by Councilman McKinney. All in favor, motion passed.
  
- Appeal Hearing – Ordinance Violation
  - Jeanne Stombaugh
    - Amy Nooning reads appeal letter submitted to Town Council by Jeanne Stombaugh in regards to an Ordinance Violation her property had been cited with.
    - Amy Nooning explains what the appeals process is for.
    - Jeanne Stombaugh states the sidewalk in question is primarily under grass and dirt after removing the tree limbs and inspecting the condition of the sidewalk. She states the tree limb removal has helped remove the obstruction of viewing oncoming vehicles. She would like to be able to grow grass in the area in question as she does not have the funds to pour a new sidewalk.
    - Councilman Hoskins, states there is a grant for sidewalks, from the Community Department of Engineering that could possibly be pursued in the future.
    - Amy Nooning states that the blue sheet that the Clerk-Treasurer created should be used by the Police Department as it provides more information to list for the property owner, and it explains the appeals process.
    - Council unanimously agrees that the Stombaugh's have the right to plant grass where the old sidewalk resided.
  
- With no further business to discuss Councilman Hoskins motions to adjourn meeting, seconded by Councilman McKinney, all in favor, motion passed at 8:24 p.m. Next regular council meeting will be held on Monday, November 9, 2015 at 7:00 PM at the Advance Volunteer Fire Department, 106 E. Wall St., Advance, IN.

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Clerk Treasurer

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President