The Town Council of the Town of Markle, Indiana met in the Town Hall Building at 197 E. Morse St., Markle, IN on the 19th of July at the hour of 7:00 p.m., in accordance with the rules of the Council, appropriate notice and applicable laws.

Town Council Members present: President Jeff Humbarger, Vice President Mark Hamilton, Councilmember Rick Bower, Clerk-Treasurer Carolyn Hamilton, Rick Asher and Marshal Markley and Jessica Williams from the NewsBanner.

President Humbarger called the Special Meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. Clerk had made changes to the copy of the Budget. Clerk showed a copy of last year's budget.

Council decided unanimously to give employees a 2% raise.

A discussion was held on the need for a full time assistant in the Clerk-Treasurer's office. Clerk Hamilton expressed her feelings that with no benefits she did not think she should have to work 50 hours a week to get the job done. Council acknowledged the need for additional help in the office and decided to include in the budget, wages equivalent to one full time assistant.

A discussion was held on hiring the third full time officer. Council wants the figures put in the Budget for 2017. This will help the Clerk's office a lot as it will put some coverage on days. The Clerk's office is now getting all of the calls, complaints, etc. Marshal Markley explained that the night shifts have to be covered according to state statue and having the third officer would allow coverage during the day hours.

Changes made from 2016 Budget figures:

	2016	2017
101001115.000 Miscellaneous	\$3,000	\$7,000
101001131.000 Employer FICA	29,741	34,000
101001133.000 INPRS	20,288	24,000
101001135.000 Health Ins.	112,000	60,000
101001210.000 Office Supplies	1,000	3,000
101001211.015 Computer Maint	t. 5,500	7,500
101001223.000 Fire Department	7,000	13,000(Need to buy new radios)
101001324.000 Telephone	6,000	7,000
101001355.000 Street Lights	1,500	3,000

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101001372.000 Backhoe	15,000	20,000	
101001395.000 Insurance	30,000	40,000	
101001396.000 Garbage	70,000	65,000	
101001398.000 Dues	500	1,500	
101001451.012 PD Vehicle	12,000	36,000	
101001451.014 Town Truck	8,000	16,000	
101001513.012 Travel	500	1,500	
101001520.000 Rainy Day	Adjusted acco	ordingly	

The 50/50 match from INDOT was discussed.

The Council members did not know the reason for the \$175,000 for 170001590.000 in the 2016 Budget for TIF.

Council decided unanimously to donate \$1,000 a year to the Markle Area Historical Society for their expenses.

The Clerk explained that during a recent audit on the Water Dept. from the State of Indiana that all expenses for the Water Dept. have to be paid out of that department, so they know the true expenses. A lot of the water dept. expenses are being paid out of the General Fund at this time. The chemicals were being paid from the Wastewater Dept.

Marshal Markley reported that the Town would have to come up with \$13,000 for the Town share for the new CAD system.

Clerk-Treasurer Hamilton suggested using Kristi Bone, Clerk-Treasurer from Lagro as the Internal Controls check for the Town of Markle Funds. She has a Master's degree, Associates Degree, Bachelor's degree and her IAMC from the State of Indiana. President Humbarger said that he would read the Internal Controls Information and get back to Hamilton with further instructions. It was also mentioned that there would be no more cash kept in drawers. It is all to be deposited in the correct accounts. Rick turned \$2,672.75 over to the Clerk. It was deposited to WW. He will in turn buy a pump for that amount.

Rick Asher reported that the lift station at Novae Parkway was fixed. He ordered a replacement pump so that the Town would have a spare. They repaired the seal in the current pump.

Clerk-Treasurer reported on an incident with the new meters that required the digits be put in the software. Steven Rowe 7246 E 800 N Syracuse, IN 46567 had a large refund due to overpayment on account 102-352-01. The amount of the refund was \$1,056.07. Water \$986.98 Tax \$69.09.

Upon hearing no other business, President Humbarger adjourned the meeting at 8:30 P.M.

Jeff Humbarger

President

Rick Bower

Councilmember

Mark Hamilton

Vice-President

Attest.

Carolyn Hamilton