

Council Meeting Minutes**July 18, 2018****7:30 p.m.**

The Town Council of the Town of Markle, Indiana, met in the meeting room at the Markle Fire Department building on the 18th day of July 2018, beginning at the hour of 7:30 p.m. in accordance with the rules of the Council and applicable laws and appropriate notice. Town Council Members present: President Jeff Humbarger, and Vice-President Mark Hamilton. Councilmember Rick Bower was absent. Clerk-Treasurer Carolyn Hamilton and seven additional people were also in attendance.

President Humbarger called the Regular Council meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The first order of business was to approve the Regular Council meeting minutes from June 20, 2018. Vice-President Hamilton moved to approve the minutes. President Humbarger seconded the motion. Minutes approved 2-0. Minutes signed.

President Humbarger introduced Tim Miles from S and R Communications LLC - FIBERHAWK/Swayzee to discuss the possibility of fiber optic broadband for the Town of Markle. Mr. Miles is the sole owner of the Swayzee cable co-ax system in the Town of Markle, which he bought from Longview in 2010. His gross revenue is \$4,000 - \$5,000 per month. He reported it would take twelve months to engineer and he would have to hire one technician to be a Town resident. The project cost would exceed one million dollars and he would have to gross \$25,000 a month in subscribers to be profitable. One of his main problems is that Markle is an hour and half travel time from all of his other businesses. He stated that he would be open to partnering with Adams/Wells if they were interested.

President Humbarger reviewed Ordinance 2018-6 - AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MARKLE, INDIANA ANNEXING CERTAIN TERRITORY TO THE TOWN OF MARKLE, INDIANA, PLACING THE SAME WITHIN THE CORPORATION BOUNDARIES THEREOF AND MAKING THE SAME A PART OF THE TOWN OF MARKLE. The ordinance is the ordinance annexing a portion of the Kyle E. and Lisa M. Lund property. After a public hearing, this ordinance was introduced at the June 20, 2018 Council meeting. This property consists of approximately 30 acres. There were no questions from Council or the attendees of the meeting. President Humbarger moved to approve Ordinance 2018-6. Vice-President Hamilton seconded the motion. Ordinance approved 2-0. Ordinance 2018-6 signed. Copy of Ordinance 2018-6 attached to the minutes.

There was no Town Correspondence.

Superintendent Rick Asher submitted his written monthly report.

Superintendent Asher reported that Water Tower # 1 has the mixer shut down in it. It was pulling higher than normal amps and they shut it down. It will remain shut down until August 2, when an internal inspection can be conducted and pull the mixer on Water Tower #2. At that time Dickson will have them check and possibly clean the mixer in Water Tower #1.

Superintendent Asher reported that the new truck has been ordered.

Superintendent Asher reported that the Corp of Engineers has about two more weeks of work on the levy before E&B can start the Community Crossings 2018 paving project.

By consensus, Council approved John Markley's list of \$51,000 of work, carpet, generator, fixtures, and repairs to be done to the police dept. building. Copy included with minutes.

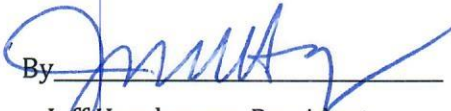
There were no public questions or comments.

There was no old business to discuss.

Clerk-Treasurer Hamilton reported a total of 98 vouchers amounting to \$219,468.01. 66 were from the General Fund totaling \$144,417.59. 15 from the Water Utility totaling \$37,421.11 and 17 from the Wastewater Utility totaling \$37,629.31. President Humbarger asked the Councilmembers if they had any questions about the vouchers. Hearing none, President Humbarger moved to approve the vouchers as presented. Vice-President Hamilton seconded the motion. Motion carried 2-0.


The first Budget Hearing will be held at the next Council meeting August 15, 2018.

Hearing no other business to come before Council, the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

By 
Jeff Humbarger, President

By 
Rick Bower, Councilmember

By 
Mark Hamilton, Vice-President

Attest: 
Carolyn Hamilton, Clerk-Treasurer