**The Town Council of Winona Lake, Indiana met in a regular session on Tuesday, October 19th, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. – some attending in person, others by Zoom (video conference).**

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Rick Swaim, Austin Reynolds

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT (ZOOM): Dennis Duncan, James Lancaster, Heather James

ABSENT:

OTHERS PRESENT: Craig Allebach, Kent Adams, Adam Turner, Aaron Carl, Joe Bumbaugh

 Holly Hummitch, Joe Hawn, Tim Goshert, Mike Raymer

OTHERS PRESENT (ZOOM): Kevin Gelbaugh

**Opening –** Craig paid tribute to Warsaw Police Captain Clay Layne that passed away earlier in the morning and held a moment of silence. Craig then opened the meeting with prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Swearing in of Council Member Austin Reynolds**

* Adam Turner swore in Austin Reynolds as District 1 Councilman to replace James Zachary that passed away August 17, 2021. A caucus was held September 17, 2021 at 2:30 p.m.

**Swearing in of Honorary Police Officer**

* Officer Joe Bumbaugh introduced Israel Gagnon, a Jefferson Elementary School student. Adam Turner swore in Israel as an official officer of the Winona Lake Police Department.

**Resolution 2021-10-2 Appointment and Swearing in of Police Reserve**

* Police Chief Joe Hawn is recommending the hiring of Dan Clemens as a Police Reserve.
* James made the motion to approve Resolution 2021-10-2 appointment and swearing in of police officer and Dennis seconded. Motion passed.

**Approval of Minutes**

* Rick called for additions or corrections to the September 21st, 2021 Regular Session minutes and October 8th, 2021 Special Session. Motion to approve Regular minutes and Special session minutes were made by James and Austin seconded. Hearing no additions/corrections, the minutes stand approved as presented.

**Approval of Claims**

* Approval for August 17th, 2021 End of Month claims in the amount of $175,149.54 and

September 21st, 2021 claims in the amount of $648,014.06. Dennis moved to approve the claims as presented and Heather seconded. Motion passed.

**“Winona Happenings”**

October 23, 6:30 p.m. (doors open at 5:30 p.m.) – Fire Department Bingo will be held at the Knights of Columbus in Syracuse.

October 29, 6 to 8:00 p.m. -Funfest at Gordon Health and Wellness Center.

October 30, 5:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. – Trick or Treat.

**Ordinance 2021-10-1 Adoption of 2022 Budget**

* Kent presented the 2022 Budget to the Council for adoption.
* James made the motion to approve Ordinance 2021-10-1 to adopt the 2022 Budget and Heather seconded. Motion passed.

**Ordinance 2021-10-1 Vacation of Alley**

* Rick Helm, attorney for W. Victoria Rogers presented a petition to vacate an undeveloped right-of-way adjacent to 106 Cherry Street in Winona Lake. Discussion followed. Austin made a motion to approve Ordinance 2021-10-1 vacation of a portion of an alley and Heather seconded. Motion passed.

**Easement for City of Warsaw Storm Drainage**

* Craig explained that the City of Warsaw is going to relocate a McKinley storm drain project in the northwest corner of Argonne Road and E Winona Avenue.
* Austin made the motion to approve the easement agreement and Dennis seconded. Motion passed.

**Limitless Park Presentation**

* The Park Board updated their Master Plan earlier this year. The Park Board is going to apply for a DNR grant for $250,000. The Park Board is looking to install an ADA canoe & kayak dock launch. The final phases for the Limitless Park will cost $1.2 million to $1.5 million to complete the phases.

**Construction Engineering Agreement**

* Craig explained this is a Construction Engineering Agreement with A & Z Engineering for construction of the roundabout.
* Heather made the motion to approve the Construction Engineering Agreement and Austin seconded. Motion passed.

**Report from Town Engineer**

* Working on drainage issues since the last rain.
* Working with NIPSCO on final gas lines easements on Pierceton Road.
* Road projects with turn lanes and sidewalk project.
* Some lift stations need upgrades.
* Design standards.

**Report from Town Attorney**

* Working on some vacations.
* Working on some property issues.

**Reports from Supervisors**

* Park Dept./Holly Hummitch – Eagle Scouts replaced the playground timbers in the park, materials were donated by Lowes and SiteWorx. Kringlefest will be December 4th.
* Street Dept./Tim Goshert – Getting ready to start on leaf pick-up.
* Police Dept./Joe Hawn – Ken Nisly from Winona Lake Restoration helped with Eagle Scout project.
* Fire Dept./Kevin Gelbaugh – State grant for radios was denied. Fire prevention class for 65 students at the Good Shepherd Preschool. Replace batteries on smoke detectors.

**Meeting was adjourned –** Austin motioned to adjourn. Meeting was adjourned at 6:57 p.m.

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