TOWN OF THORNTOWN

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

February 3, 2025

7:00 PM

The February 3, 2025, meeting of the Council of the Town of Thorntown was called to order by Council President, Dave Williams at 7:00 pm. The meeting was held at the Thorntown Town Hall, 101 W. Main St., Thorntown, IN. The Council and citizens joined together in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

The following were in attendance:

Sara Fairfield, Council - AB Jessia Swartz – Boone EDC

Bruce Burtner, Council

 Dave Williams, Council

 Shawn McClintock, Council - AB

 Randy Bruder, Council

Koren Gray, Clerk/Treasurer 1 citizen

The Public Hearing for Ordinance 2025-1, Amending the Capacity for the Waterworks Utility, was opened at 7:01, by Council President, Dave Williams. Dave provided the first reading of the ordinance. There were some technical difficulties that delayed the meeting. With no comments from the public, the Public Hearing was closed at 7:19 with Bruce making the motion to close the hearing. Randy made a second. The ordinance will be presented February 17 for the second reading.

**Presentations/Guests**: Jessica Swartz, Boone County Economic Development was present to share with the Council many of the things the Boone EDC has done for the community and for Thorntown over the past year. The Boone EDC reaches out to Thorntown businesses.

**Public Comments/Concerns:** None

**Department/Board and Commissions Reports:**

(NO REPORTS THE FIRST MONDAY OF THE MONTH MEETING)

**Police:** (Report previously submitted to Council)

 Nothing to report

**Fire:** No representative present

**Advisory Plan Commission:** Nothing to report

**Building Inspector**:

 **Utilities**:

 **Park Board:** Sarabi Wallace provided some updates regarding Park events. The Park Board will be providing 4 movies in the park this summer, a Farmers Market, the Shalom House will continue meals at the Lions Park this summer. The Park Board is working on plans for the circus and the Little League contract.

 **Storm Water Board**: Nothing to report

 **Sanitary Sewer:**

Nothing to report

**Customary Items for Approval:**

Bruce made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 13, 2025, meeting. Randy made a second. Motion passed 3-0.

**Clerk/Treasurer:**

The Clerk/Treasurer requested funds to attend the annual spring ILMCT conference in Plainfield. Dave made a motion in favor of the expense. Bruce made a second. Motion passed 3-0.

 The CT will be attending the Boone County State of the Community.

 An APV register was presented with APVs that were not on another register during the year. Dave made a motion to approve the register. Randy made a second. Motion passed 3-0.

**Unfinished Business**: None

**New Business**:

 The Council will hold an executive session February 10, 2025, to discuss prospective employment of a municipal consultant.

 The Clerk/Treasurer noted a section in the Employee Handbook regarding PTO. This section will go under review. The Council will not be reviewing any other portion of the Employee Handbook.

 The contract for Boone County Economic Development was presented. Bruce made a motion to renew the contract. Randy made a second. Motion passed 3-0.

 The CT advised that Joesph Wells, who is working on the Asset Inventory, advised the Lions Park needed an appraisal. The Council would like an idea of the cost of an appraisal.

 Land is needed for an additional well and the update of the water plant. There needs to be discussion with those landowners

The Council would like to lease the bar-b-que pit at the Lions Park. As part of the lease agreement they would like to have clear direction as to who will pay for any repairs to the pit. The Town should also be listed as an additional insured.

 The Clerk/Treasurer has learned that Bank of New York Mellon has leftover funds from the wastewater project. Those funds can be returned to the town. Dave signed the paperwork requesting those funds. The refund will be approximately $83,000.

**Other Business**: None

**Adjournment:**

 With no other business to be presented, Dave made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:00 pm. Sara made a second. Motion passed 5-0.

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Dave Williams Koren Gray

Council President Clerk/Treasurer

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