

**REGULAR MEETING  
KENTLAND TOWN HALL  
OCTOBER 9<sup>TH</sup>, 2018 5:00 P.M.**

**Attending: Lowell Mitchell, President, David Smart and James Sammons, Council Members, Patrick Ryan, Attorney and Judy King, Clerk/Treasurer**

**Steve Hoefler would like to purchase 2.754 acres on the west side of Town in front of Jordan Manufacturing to put a metal recycle center in. The property is zoned commercial right now and that would have to be changed if the property is purchased and the business goes in. Patrick Ryan, Town Attorney, asked that Mr. Hoefler submit a business plan to the Town before decisions are made.**

**Jacob Shufflebarger, Jefferson Township Trustee, reported on a meeting he attended by Newton County Planning Commission. CAFO (concentrated animal feeding operations) was the topic and in regards to the 2 mile buffer. The Town could probably keep it out of their zone but probably no further than that.**

**Eduardo Zamora would like to put a garage on his property at 312 North Sixth Street but will be on the neighbor's property line. Asked what size of garage would be built and it will be a 24' x 30' standard two car. Mr. Zamora presented a letter from the owners of the property Mr. & Mrs. Tim Glasgow that gave him permission to build on the property line. If the Glasgow property is sold and new owners come in, that could pose a problem stated Dustin Standish, Town Manager. Asked if they could make it a foot smaller so they could be off the property line, they answered yes. Dustin also requested they call 811 for locates to make sure no utility lines run through that area. A determination was not met. James Sammons let them know that the Town Council could have a special meeting to determine the fate of the project.**

**BUILDING COMMISSIONER**

**Matt Wittenborn reported on the following:**

- 3 permits issued**
- 1 C of O issued**

**Park Board**

**Dustin Standish reported on the following:**

**Youth Groups from South Newton will be in Town to help put down mulch in the parks and pick up trash.**

**Dustin is trying to get 3 bids for repairing the fireplace at Batton Park. Over the years nothing has been done and it desperately needs repaired.**

**TOWN MANAGER**

**Dustin Standish reported on the following:**

Vertical Horizon, which is an internet provider would like to use the water tower north of town and the tower at the Public Works building to bring in his service. He will provide all locations for the Town free service and will also pay a monthly or quarterly fee for the use of the towers. There would be no maintenance or liability issues. A motion was made by James Sammons and seconded by David Smart to move forward on this project.

Property at 108 West Dunlap has not been completed by the dead line that was given to them. It's now time to go in and tear the home down and clean up the property. A semi load or two would probably have it hauled away.

Last week a citizen approached one of our Town employees and demanded that he drive him to a few locations within the Town, to show him issues that he wants taken care of immediately. When asked to remove himself from the vehicle, the resident got irate. No resident within the Town of Kentland can interfere with an employee or their job, stated Town Attorney, Patrick Ryan, and if a protective order needs to be put on this individual, then we can get one.

#### **TOWN MARSHAL**

Julian Elson reported on the following:

Deputy Williams's squad car has some electrical issues that are not being found. Julian turned the car over to Emerson – Sondgerath to locate the problem and it did not occur while they had it. The car is over 5 years old and has over 80,000 miles on it. Deputy Williams is continuing to use the spare that we have.

Julian would like a Police Report Ordinance #2018-10-09-3 put into place. This will give a resident a report but not total information on the report and the cost will be \$15.00. This could generate a few dollars for income and we have requests for this quite often. A motion was made by David Smart and seconded by James Sammons to put Ordinance #2018-10-09-3 into effect immediately.

Julian also requested that the board look into holiday pay for the police department. Julian has looked at the County's policy and will get a few more from surrounding areas.

#### **FIRE CHIEF**

Matt Wittenborn reported on the following:

1 Business meeting

1 Training meeting

12 Medical Calls

5 Fire Calls

New employees are taking their tests.

Premier Billing has been advertised and will take effect immediately. This will re-coop some costs that the department is incurring from calls.

#### **AVIATION**

Chuck Classen reported on the following:

Fuel sales are ahead of last year

Operations are up from last year

**New terminal is here but not installed.**

**The Airport would like to purchase a piece of equipment for safety which would cost upwards to \$4,800.00 to \$5,000.00. This will help with issues when flying in on the radio. Clerk, Judy King will look to see if funds are available.**

**Chuck attended an Aviation Disaster Training Course in Indianapolis.**

#### **TOWN ATTORNEY**

**Patrick Ryan reported on the following:**

**Pat touched on the topic of The Opportunity Zone. He is gathering more information about this and when that information is given to him there will probably be a Public Forum or Seminar on this subject.**

#### **CLERK**

**Judy King reported on the following:**

**Judy presented the 2019 budget for adoption. A motion was made by David Smart and seconded by James Sammons to adopt the 2019 budget #2018-10-9.**

**Judy presented the board with Ordinance #2018-109-9-2 for Additional Appropriations. This has been advertised in the Newton County Enterprise. A motion was made by David Smart and seconded by James Sammons to adopt Ordinance #2018-10-9-2.**

**The resident at 102 East Iroquois Drive requested an adjustment on their sewage for re-seeding the entire yard. They will pay for the water but would like an adjustment on the sewage if possible. The adjustment totals \$44.94. A motion was made by James Sammons and seconded by David Smart to give the adjustment.**

**Flu shots are scheduled for October 17<sup>th</sup>, for Town Hall employees and October 18<sup>th</sup> for the Fire Department.**

#### **PRIVELEDGE OF THE FLOOR**

**Jacob Shufflebarger brought up the Planning Commission Board and The Board of Zoning. The Planning Commission Board should have 7 members and the BZA should have 5 members. Jacob and James Sammons will try this week to find volunteers to participate on these boards.**

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

**Upon motion by James Sammons and seconded by David Smart the minutes from September 11<sup>th</sup>, 2018 were approved.**

**Upon motion by David Smart and seconded by James Sammons the claims were approved.**

**Upon motion by James Sammons and seconded by David Smart the financial report was approved.**

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

