



Inc. Town of North Judson's Town Council
Special Meeting Minutes

October 29, 2018 6:30 P.M.

The North Judson Town Council met in a Special Meeting at the North Judson Town Hall at 310 Lane St. North Judson, IN on the above date and time with the following present: Council Members Felchuk, Brown, Young, Council Vice-President Rowe and Council President Hoppe were in attendance. Clerk-Treasurer Rowe was in attendance as well.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Council President Hoppe asked for approval of the agenda. Council Member Brown made a motion to approve the agenda. Council Member Young seconded the motion. All members present concurred.

Recognition of Guests

No guests present.

Business:

OCRA Comprehensive Planning Grant Consultant Interviews – HWC Engineering, Troyer Group

As the Council has previously declared their intent to pursue an OCRA Comprehensive Planning Grant, Emily Albaugh from the Kankakee-Iroquois Regional Planning Commission (KIRPC) guided the Council through the interview process for selecting their Comprehensive Planning Consultants who had been short-listed by members of the Council prior to scheduling the interviews.

Each of the two short-listed consultants was given 45 minutes to present themselves and their company, be interviewed by Councilmembers in attendance, and participate in relevant discussions regarding, among other topics, their firm, their experience and insights, and the comprehensive planning process. First to be interviewed was HWC Engineering followed by Troyer Group.

After each interview, Albaugh assisted Councilmembers in completing their scoring sheets which would ultimately be totaled and decide who the Town selected to perform the comprehensive plan.

2019 Railroad Insurance Renewal – Zurich Proposal (Borden-Perlman INS/McRail)

Clerk-Treasurer Rowe presented the received proposal for railroad insurance coverage from McRail. Rowe noted that the cost, year-over-year, had not changed. Brief discussion was held.

Council Vice-President Rowe made a motion to accept, excluding Terrorism Coverage, the Proposal for Railroad Insurance for 2019 totaling \$41,000.00 received from McRail. Councilmember Felchuk seconded the motion and all members present concurred.

Additional Business

Clerk-Treasurer Rowe presented the Council with the invitation drafted for the Town Christmas Party. Discussion was held and an invitee list was assembled; Rowe will be working to get the invites out in order to receive RSVP's by November 16th.

Councilmembers took part in a discussion regarding explicit reasons the Town has for wanting to pursue a comprehensive plan. Albaugh (KIRPC) will be working on the OCRA Comprehensive Planning Grant Application and spearheaded the discussion geared towards identifying positives and negatives that could be addressed by such a plan.

Also discussed was the specifics for the Best Town Christmas Lights Contest. Discussion was held on a range of topics including: how to carry out the contest, who will be judging homes, who can enter, how many winners, and what the winners will receive as prizes? Deadlines were established, including: a December 1st entry/registration deadline; judging will take place December 14th. Councilmembers also decided that there will be two winners; first prize will be a VISA gift card for \$150.00, second prize is to be a \$100.00 VISA gift card. Judges are to be: Jon Silhavy, Jacque Ryan, and Peggy Bohac if they're willing to participate.

Adjournment

Council Vice-President Rowe made a motion to adjourn. Councilmember Felchuk seconded the motion.

Adjourn: 9:00 P.M.

Attest:



Wendy Hoppe, Council President



Andrew Rowe, Clerk-Treasurer