

CITY OF WINCHESTER
COMMON COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2019

PUBLIC HEARING
6:30 pm.

Additional Appropriations

Mayor Byrum opened the floor for the public hearing concerning additional appropriations for the L.O.I.T. Fund, Vision Park Fund, and TIF District Fund.

There being no one to speak for or against the public hearing, Mayor Byrum closed the floor at 6:31 p.m.

Council Chamber/City Hall/113 E. Washington Street
Meeting @ 6:31 p.m.

Pledge – Mayor Byrum
Moment of Silence – Mayor Byrum

Mayor Byrum called the meeting to order and presided over the meeting. Clerk-Treasurer, Vicki Haney, recorded the minutes.

The Clerk-Treasurer's roll call showed five City Council Members present.

District 1	Councilor Larry Lennington
District 2	Councilor Tom Sells
District 3	Councilor Ron Loyd
District 4	Councilor Leesa Friend
At Large	Councilor Jason Allen

Additional Officials Present:

Gary Girton, Randolph County Commissioner; Greg Beumer, Executive Director of Randolph County Economic Development Corporation; Meeks Cockerill, City Attorney; Chris Martin, Wastewater Treatment Superintendent; Shean Bosworth, Streets and Parks Superintendent; Jon Reed, Police Chief and Dwayne Wiggans, Fire Chief

Citizens Present

Joan Ashley, Cheryl Robbins, Tom Shannon, Terry (Bear) Alfrey, Bob McCoy, Jim Nunez Jr., Linda Rittenhouse, Lynn Humphrey, Deb Henning, Levi Cross, Tiffany Gordon, Tammy Ballenger, Dianna Hunt, Torey Hunt and Chris Smith

Media Present:

Bill Richmond (Star 98.3 Radio)

Kate Thornburg (News-Gazette Newspaper)

Approval of the Minutes:

Councilor Loyd would like a couple minor corrections to be made to the minutes of the September 16, 2019 meeting. Page one (1), under the paragraph entitled 2020 budget, it says that the written amount for the dollar figure is \$8,284,500.00, but in parenthesis the dollar figure is \$8,284,570.00. He also says that on page five (5), midway down the page, it says the total APV (Accounts Payable Vouchers) is written out as \$131,485.46, but in parenthesis the amount is \$131,495.46. Clerk-Treasurer, Vicki Haney, stated that she will make the amendments. Councilor Friend asks Mrs. Haney if she knows which figure is correct, and her response was that the correct total APV figure is \$131,495.46. The correct total for the 2020 budget amount is \$8,284,570.00. Councilor Friend then moves to correct and approve the meeting minutes of the September 16, 2019 meeting. Councilor Allen seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Council Member Issues and Concerns

Councilor Allen wanted to bring to the other Councilor's attention that he received a phone call from Mr. Burton about the property located at 213 E Short Street. The estimate from Mr. Burton to remove the asbestos from the shingles and siding would be one thousand seven hundred seventy-five dollars (\$1,775.00), which is in addition to what the cost is already to tear the house down. Councilor Loyd asked if any of the other properties that Mr. Burton is contracted to tear down have this kind of problem, which Councilor Allen said they did not have any asbestos problems. Mayor Byrum asked what the additional cost of the asbestos removal would leave the balance of the fund at, to which Clerk-Treasurer Haney responded that there was enough appropriated and that it is a matter of whether we receive the amount of revenue that we are expecting to receive. She said that it will be close, but that there will be enough money there to cover the expenses. There is over fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000.00) appropriated for the removal of blighted properties. She states that the balance in the fund currently is Thirty-five thousand nine hundred eighty-four dollars and eighty-eight cents (\$35,984.88).

Councilor Friend motioned to approve the additional cost of the one thousand seven hundred seventy-five dollars (\$1,775.00). Councilor Allen seconded. Motion carried 4-1 with Councilor Lennington casting the negative vote.

Councilor Allen wanted to discuss the property located at 843 Meridian Street with the two (2) trailers. Kathy Cox submitted a letter that she would like the properties and will tear them down on her own time, but they will be down by June of 2020. Meeks said that he can write up a letter with a clause that states: if she does not have the properties torn down by June, then the City would have to sue her to get the properties back from her. Councilor Allen asked Clerk-Treasurer. Haney what the cost was for Burton's to tear down the two (2) trailers. Her response was that Mr. Burton quoted the removal of the property on Meridian Street at three thousand five hundred dollars (\$3500.00), which would not include the dumpster fees. Councilor Loyd asked if any of the councilors knew how serious Mrs. Cox was to tear the property down. Councilor Allen responded by stating that he spoke with her Friday and that her initial intention was to have the property before now and had planned on starting the removal of the property

this year. He also stated that he does not know Mrs. Cox personally, but that he has talked to other people who do know her and that they said she was very reliable and motivated to get things done when she wants them done. Clerk Treasurer Haney said that Mrs. Cox owns the property on North West Street that butts up to the property on Meridian Street, and that she keeps her property nice. Councilor Loyd motioned to transfer the property at 843 Meridian Street to Kathy Cox for one hundred dollars (\$100.00) plus closing costs with a revisionary clause stating that if the trailers are not removed from the property by June 1, 2020, then the City has the right to take the property back. Councilor Friend seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

There being no further council concerns, the floor was closed.

Public Concerns

Mayor Byrum opened the floor for public concerns.

Tiffany Gordon, 1111 E 100 N, wants to spread holiday spirit by planning a community Christmas dinner for area citizens that will be held on Christmas day from 3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. When working with the Family and Social Services Administration she has seen a need that the community has for assistance during the holidays. They are partnering with Topher's Place for the event. They are wanting to serve a hot meal of ham, chicken and noodles, butter beans, corn bread, dressing, potato salad, deserts, and more. There will also be photos with Santa Clause, live acoustic music, crafts for the kids, as well as door prizes. They have already had a lot of support from the community as far as donations and volunteer efforts. Monetary donations to provide the dinner are still needed, so they are asking the City to partner with them for assistance. Monetary donations will be used to purchase food that is not donated, paper products, and other items that might be needed to prepare and serve the meal. Any money leftover after everything for the meal is purchased will be used to create goody bags. They are hoping that this will become an annual event, and any leftover money will be put into a fund for future use. The Mayor thanks Mrs. Gordon for putting this event on. Councilor Friend asks Mrs. Gordon if she is asking the City to provide something for the event. Mrs. Gordon responds by stating that they are asking for monetary donations from the City. Mayor Byrum says that he will read over the paper and check the balance of the Mayor's Promotional Fund and see what we can do. Mrs. Gordon says that she is partnering with Journey Home and the Women's Shelter and have invited them to join for this event. She wants everyone to have a hot meal on Christmas and have somewhere to go so no one is alone. Councilor Friend asks if there is any way the money could be donated out of the E.D.I.T Fund if there is not enough money to take out of the Mayor's Promotional Fund. Mayor Byrum states that they would have to do an additional appropriation. Clerk Treasurer Haney stated the balance of the Mayor's Promotional Fund is Two thousand Eight hundred Seventy-one dollars and Forty-four cents (\$2,871.44) and that she believes there are APV's that the Council needs to approve tonight that will be disbursed from the Mayor's Promotional Fund. Councilor Friend asked how much it would take to purchase the amount of food that they think they might give. Chris Smith, the owner and chef at Topher's Place, spoke up and said the has spoken with his food representative, Cisco Foods and they are donating around three hundred dollars (\$300.00), and he believes that it is fair that the monetary amount be at the mercy of the City. Councilor Lennington asked what the total

cost is. Mr. Smith says that he has not worked out a total cost yet because he is using a lot of his own resources. Councilor Allen said that he works with the Freedom Life Church when they serve their Thanksgiving dinner and serve over four hundred (400) people and that he believes that the cost was about Three thousand (3,000) to Five thousand (5,000) dollar event with monetary and food donations. Councilor Lennington asks Mr. Smith what he thinks a fair amount would be. Ms. Gordon thinks that they will serve around four hundred (400) people and each plate will be about three dollars (\$3.00) between utensils and food. Any extras that are going to be there are donating their time and prizes, and if there are enough left-over funds, then Mrs. Gordon would like to print the pictures off and give them to the families that took pictures with Santa Clause. **Council recommends donating five hundred dollars (\$500.00) from the Mayor's Promotional Fund.** Councilor Friends asks the Mayor if they should come to the next meeting to let them know whether they are able to get the five hundred dollars (\$500.00). Mayor replies that he believes that it can be taken care of prior to the next meeting. Councilor Loyd then responds by saying that at this point it is in the Mayor's hands as to how much would be donated and that they will get some sort of donation. Kate Thornburg, 213 S East Street, representing the Randolph Historical Society Museum, shared plans for Halloween at the museum. Tom Franklin will be telling scary stories every fifteen (15) minutes on the quarter hour. She was there as a reminder to come support the museum on Halloween. Councilor Loyd asked Ms. Thornburg if it was just a one-day event and she replied that it was. Councilor Friend asked what time it would take place and her reply was 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Fountain Park Cemetery

Jim Nunez Jr. presented the Fountain Park Cemetery report, he wanted to say that he appreciates everyone's cooperation. He says that for their financials they are about four thousand dollars (\$4,000.00) in debt, but they are going to be receiving more revenue that will bring that down. Their goal is to have zero debt at the end of the year like they have been in the past years. They have been remodeling the caretakers house; they are trying to make it more livable. Councilor Allen commended Jim and Joe for doing a good job.

Jim Nunez Jr., representing WCCPC (Winchester Community Cultural Preservation Committee), stated he wanted to thank all the City Departments that helped this year. This year's theme for Mardi Gras was Salute to Hometown Heroes, which is the fire department, police department, and EMS. WCCPC presented a plaque to hang at City Hall on the honor wall for the departments as a thanks. Mr. Nunez also says that he hopes that the WCCPC can donate five hundred dollars (\$500.00) to the Christmas Dinner event and to contact them if they need anymore extra help or money.

There being no more public concerns, Mayor Byrum closed the floor.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Ordinance No. 2019-9

Ordinance No. 2019-9 was presented by Mayor Byrum entitled "AN ORDINANCE FIXING SALARIES OF APPOINTED OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF WINCHESTER,

RANDOLPH COUNTY, INDIANA AND PROVIDING ADDITIONAL COMPENSATION TO CERTAIN ELECTED AND APPOINTED OFFICERS OF THE CITY OF WINCHESTER, RANDOLPH COUNTY, INDIANA FOR THE YEAR BEGINNING JANUARY 2020”

Councilor Sells moved to have Ordinance No. 2019-9 be read by title only for the third and final reading. Councilor Friend seconded. Councilor Loyd asked if the only changes made to the proposed ordinance were the hourly wages, or if there were other changes made in the wordage. Mayor Byrum spoke up and said that as far as he knows there are no other changes. Motion carried 5-0

Attorney Meeks Cockerill read Ordinance No. 2019-9 by title only. Councilor Sells moved to approve the third and final reading. Councilor Friend seconded. Motion carried 5-0. Thus, it becomes Ordinance No. 2019-9.

Ordinance No. 2019-10

Ordinance No. 2019-10 was presented by Mayor Byrum and entitled “AN ORDINANCE FIXING THE SALARIES OF ELECTED OFFICIALS IN THE CITY OF WINCHESTER, INDIANA, RANDOLPH COUNTY, INDIANA”.

Councilor Sells moved to have the third and final reading of Ordinance No. 2019-10 by title only. Councilor Allen seconded. Mayor Byrum stated, as a reminder, that this is a three thousand dollar (\$3,000.00) increase to the Mayor’s salary starting in 2020. Councilor Loyd asked if there was a reason why this ordinance does not set forth an annual salary, as opposed to the bi-weekly amount that the Mayor is going to be paid. Mayor Byrum said that the reason is because this increase is coming out of the General Fund budget. The salary for the Mayor comes out of both the general and the sewage budgets, and the amount that the mayor is paid out of the sewage budget is remaining the same. Motion carried 5-0.

Attorney Meeks Cockerill read Ordinance No. 20019-10 by title only. Councilor Sells moved to approve the third and final reading. Councilor Allen seconded. Motion carried 5-0. Thus, it becomes Ordinance No. 2019-10.

Ordinance No. 2019-11

Ordinance No. 2019-11 was presented by Clerk-Treasurer Haney entitled “AN ORDINANCE OF APPROPRIATIONS AND TAX RATES”. The Ordinance is for the 2020 Budget.

Councilor Sells moved to have Ordinance No. 2019-11 be read by title only for the third and final reading. Councilor Lennington seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Attorney Meeks Cockerill read Ordinance No. 2019-11 by title only. Councilor Friend seconded. Motion carried 5-0. Thus, it becomes Ordinance No. 2019-11.

Councilor Loyd asked if the numbers were adjusted to what they had discussed during the budget workshop meeting. Clerk-Treasurer, Vicki Haney, replied with a yes.

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution No. 2019-22

Resolution No. 2019-22 was presented by Clerk-Treasurer Haney entitled “RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF WINCHESTER, INDIANA, ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION FOR VARIOUS FUNDS”.

Mayor Byrum stated that Resolution No. 2019-22 is the resolution which required the public hearing that was held earlier this evening. Councilor Lennington asked if the Two hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000.00) was appropriated for the Tomasco TIF (Tax Increment Financing). Clerk-Treasurer Haney stated that this additional appropriation was for the revenues that have fallen short from the wind turbine, and it is needed to pay the bond payment on the wind turbine to be disbursed from the Tomasco TIF. Mayor Byrum stated that the wind turbine revenues have been short every year. Councilor Lennington asked if it has ever made us (the City) any money. Mayor Byrum replied by saying that it usually is not this much, but the good news was that there are only fifteen (15) more years that the City must make the bond payment.

Councilor Allen moved to have Resolution No. 2019-22 read by title only. Councilor Friend seconded. Motion carried 4-1 with Councilor Lennington casting the negative vote.

Attorney Cockerill reads Resolution No. 2019-22 by title only. Councilor Allen moved to approve Resolution No. 2019-22. Councilor Loyd seconded. Motion carried 4-1 with Councilor Lennington casting the negative vote. Thus, it becomes Resolution No. 2019-22.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Funding Request for Apex Ag Solutions

Greg Beumer, Executive Director of Randolph County Economic Development Corporation, explained he is here on behalf of Economic Development Corporation and Apex Ag Solutions. He is asking the council for their consideration in helping with Economic Development Incentives. Mr. Beumer introduced the owners of Apex Ag Solution, Torey and Dianna Hunt, to let them explain what the company does, talk about their job creation with the upcoming expansion, hourly wage rates, and so on. Their request this evening is for the Council to provide funds to help with the expansion of their recent purchase of the Old Driver Middle School building located at 130 S 100 E, Winchester. Diana Hunt explained that they are a locally owned Millwrights company that does anything out of steel. They build grain bins, grain facilities, gravel pits, and a lot of industrial maintenance with local companies. Their company does a lot of business in Randolph County, Wayne County, and a little bit in Delaware County. Their company started in Richmond, but they wanted to bring it to their home county. They have twenty-eight (28) employees and they average about twenty-two dollars (\$22.00) per hour. They are hoping to increase their total employment to fifty (50) employees with the purchase of the Driver Middle School building. They have a 401k program, health insurance, and provide company vehicles. Councilor Allen asked if they talked with the high school about their fabrication shop and if they would eventually be able to have students go out and have on job training there. Ms. Hunt said that they have an appointment to meet with the Superintendent on November 18, 2019. Mr. Hunt spoke up and said that they have hired 6 students that have graduated within the last 2 years that have been from Winchester Community High School. They spend the first week just working with the new hires teaching them the skills that they will need, so that they do not get hurt. They are looking for any individual that wants to work. The goal is that they will be able to get a beam line that is C&C. It is not just a welding program; only about thirty percent (30%) of what they do is welding. The Hunt's bought a plumbing division two (2) years ago. They purchased a crane about a year ago and did some local work for

Ardagh Group. Councilor Friend asked if Mr. Hunt knew how many of their twenty-eight employees were from Randolph County. Mr. Hunt's reply was that about half of their employee's were from Randolph County, about forty percent (40%) are probably from Wayne County, and about ten percent (10%) were from the Darke County, Greenville, Ohio area. Councilor Lennington asked if they worked year around. Mr. Hunt's reply was that while grain is seasonal and that it is booming now, but once it slows down they will do more repair work and take on additional projects, so they are year around. He said that with the additional funding they would be able to move quicker with more help. They have had no layoffs since 2017 when they lost five (5) employees, but they have gained over 18 since then. Councilor Friend asked who their prior forgivable loan was through. Mrs. Hunt responded by saying that the forgivable loan was through Randolph County. Councilor Lennington asked the Hunt's how much they are asking for. Mrs. Hunt responded by saying that they are asking for a fifty thousand dollar (\$50,000.00) forgivable loan and then an additional fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000.00). The two hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000.00) that is in the business plan is how much the Hunt's feel that they need to get their business up and running in Winchester. Mr. Beumer said that the state has stepped up and covered the other one hundred and fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000.00) for their business. Councilor Loyd asked the Hunt's if they were going to retain their location at Apex Ag Solutions (formerly Neudecker facility), 2230 State Road 32 E, Winchester, in addition to what they are going to be doing in Randolph County. Mr. Hunt says that they will be and that they have no intentions of selling it. Councilor Friend asked what their terms were suggesting with the fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000.00) that they would be paid. Mr. Beumer spoke up and said that typically it is a five (5) year pay back, but sometimes with an expansion then it is at the discretion of the lender. Interest rates are typically three percent (3%). The reason they are coming to the City is because it is cumbersome. Councilor Friend asked if they had any future interest in asking for a tax abatement of any sort. Mrs. Hunt replied by saying no. Mayor Byrum said that he would like to remind Council and those in attendance that the Old Driver Middle School is located in a TIF (Tax increment Financing) district. Councilor Loyd asked if a portion of the taxes that the Hunt's would pay on the property would revert to the school, and the reply was yes. Councilor Lennington asked if they are wanting a loan for fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000.00) and then the City to give them an additional fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000.00), and Mrs. Hunt's reply was yes. Councilor Lennington said that he thought it was a good deal. Councilor Friend asked when the re-payments would start. Mr. Beumer replied by saying that it would begin thirty (30) days after the signing of it and the transfer of funds. Councilor Allen asked if they could make the terms, whether it was a three (3) year or five (5) year term, and Mr. Beumer's response was yes depending on the payment amount. Councilor Sells asked how soon it would be before they can have it written and drawn up. Attorney Cockerill said that if they voted on it today, it would have to come from the E.D.I.T (Economic Development Income Tax) fund and be appropriated. He asked Clerk-Treasurer Haney if the money was already appropriated to be taken out of the E.D.I.T fund. She replied by saying they would have to do a twenty-five thousand-dollar (\$25,000.00) appropriation. Attorney Cockerill says that the E.D.I.T board can pass the project, but the E.D.I.T plan has to reflect the project and the money has to be appropriated before it can be given out. Mayor Byrum speaks up and says that they will have a public hearing at the next council meeting to make a resolution for additional appropriations to the E.D.I.T fund. Councilor Allen asked when they could negotiate the terms, and Attorney

Cockerill responded by saying the Mayor would enter into the contract and the Council would do the appropriations and then Attorney Cockerill would send out the terms to everyone. Mayor Byrum says that by the second Council meeting of the month, which is November 18, 2019, they could have it finalized for the Hunt's.

Councilor Allen moves to make a motion that the Council approve the Apex Ag Solution economic development incentive for a fifty thousand dollar (\$50,000.00) forgivable loan, and a fifty thousand dollar (\$50,000.00) low interest loan. Councilor Lennington seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Councilor Allen moved to make a motion that there be a public hearing for an additional appropriation from the E.D.I.T Fund in the amount of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) on November 18, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. Councilor Friend seconded. Motion carried 5-0

Terry (Bear) Alfrey, Goodrich Park Board Vice President

Mayor Byrum is requesting, for the Goodrich Park Board, that the Council approve lending the Park Board ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00) from the E.D.I.T. fund, so that they can get the bands booked for the 2020 concert in the park series. He then asks Mr. Alfrey if the park board is planning on paying the E.D.I.T money back if they can raise enough money in donations, and Bears reply was that he believes that is what they said.

Councilor Sells moves to make a motion that the Council have a public hearing meeting before the council meeting on November 18, 2019 to consider appropriating ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00) from the E.D.I.T. fund to give to the Park Board to cover expenses for the finalization of the 2020 concert in the park series. Councilor Friend asks how much it cost annually to put on the concert series. Bear Alfrey replies that every year is different, and that it depends on the bands that are there. He said that he believes Al Williams, Goodrich Park Board member, said that they average between nine (9) and twelve (12) thousand dollars.

Councilor Lennington seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Street Lights

Mayor Byrum stated that he got an email from Linda Hyre, 519 Maple Street, requesting a street light. The Council would have to approve this street light. Councilor Friend asked if the council members could look at the location of the light and report back at the next meeting.

Halloween Parade

Mayor Byrum stated that the Annual Main Street Halloween Parade will be held on October 31, 2019 at 5:15 p.m. Children wanting to participate should line up in the parking lot of Ohio Valley Gas, on West Franklin Street. The parade will proceed down Franklin Street, turns north on Main Street, and ends on the east side of the Court House. Trick or Treat will take place on October 31, 2019 from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Accounts Payable Vouchers (APV)

Clerk-Treasurer Haney presented APV for the wind turbine for the end of September was five hundred twenty-two dollars and sixty-two cents (\$522.62). The claim for the wind turbine is eighty-seven dollars and two cents (\$87.02). She is asking the Council to approve the amount

for the wind turbine fund in the amount of six hundred nine dollars and sixty-four cents (\$609.64).

Councilor Friend made a motion to pay the APV. Councilor Allen seconded. Councilor Allen asked if this claim was for the repairs done to the wind turbine, and Clerk Treasurer Haney said that it was for the electric bill and the broadband on the wind turbine located at Vision Park.

Motion carried 5-0.

Clerk-Treasurer Haney presented APV for the end of September as sixty-two thousand three hundred twenty-eight dollars and ninety-four cents (\$62,328.94).

General	\$6,600.82
Motor Vehicle Highway	\$181.41
Ambulance Non-Reverting	\$67.04
Employee Welfare Benefit Plan	\$53,011.91
Operation Pullover Grant	\$2,467.76

The October 1-16 General APV totaled forty-nine thousand one hundred eighty-one dollars and forty-seven cents (\$49,181.47).

General	\$17,294.67
Motor Vehicle Highway	\$1,214.08
Light Fund	\$5,322.86
Court Cash Due County	\$25.00
City Court User Fee	\$60.00
Fireman's Pension	\$3,548.50
Ambulance Non-Reverting	\$155.09
Vision Park TIF	\$3,000.00
Sidewalk Rehabilitation	\$9,036.83
Tomasco TIF	\$7,613.00
Animal Control	\$43.00
LLE Continuing Ed	\$77.92
Cumulative Capital Improvement	\$500.00
Beeson Estate Farm	\$517.19
Goodrich Park	\$35.66
Clerk's Record Perp	\$737.67

Payroll equaled fifteen thousand six hundred five dollars and zero cents (\$15,605.00). Total APV equaled one hundred twenty-seven thousand one hundred fifteen dollars and forty-one cents (\$127,115.41).

Councilor Sells motioned to pay the APV. Councilor Allen asked what the deal was with the property of Ross Mould two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500.00). Mayor Byrum said that it needed mowed, so he asked Royce Myers to mow the property. He said that the police department had cited them and that they had not got it done. He also said that his plan is to send the invoice to Ross Mould, but it needed done because individuals from the state were coming into Winchester and he wanted to have it cleaned up. Clerk Treasurer Vicki said that she has already invoiced Ross Mould, but that she hasn't gotten a response. Councilor Loyd asked if our ordinance allowed for us to hire somebody other than our street department to mow

properties. Attorney Cockerill then replied that he would assume so, but that he did not have the ordinance with him. Councilor Lennington asked if Mayor Byrum got a quote from Royce before he mowed the property, and the Mayor responded by saying yes. Councilor Allen asked Clerk-Treasurer Haney about the claim for Miller Sewer and Drain Service and if when they voted on claims if he need to abstain from this claim. Her response was probably, and she asked Councilor Allen if he ever filed for a conflict of interest and his reply was yes that he filled it out with her. She said that he needs to present it to the council. Councilor Lennington seconded the motion to pay the APV. Motion carried 5-0, with Councilor Allen abstaining from the APV for Miller Sewer and Drain Services.

Clerk-Treasurer Haney said that the Redevelopment Commission is required by statute to present a yearly annual report to the over lapping taxing units. The letters have been mailed to the over lapping taxing units and the Annual Meeting will be held in the Council Chambers on November 12th, 2019 at 5:30 p.m. She urged Council members to attend as well.

Clerk-Treasurer Vicki Haney also announced that in the APV docket books the council will sign the invoices for the APV, fund account reports, and bank reconciliations for internal controls. It will be a part of the docket from this point forward. She is asking that the council sign the bank reconciliation along with the fund report.

Adjournment

There being no further information to discuss, Councilor Sells motioned to adjourn. Councilor Friend seconded. Motion carried 5-0. The October 21, 2019 meeting was adjourned at 7:56 p.m.

Mayor, Shon Byrum

ATTEST:

Clerk-Treasurer, Vicki Haney