

**Council Meeting  
Town of Meridian Hills  
July 11, 2016**

**In attendance:** Walter Freihofer, Councilor  
Sherman McMurray, Councilor  
Greg Jacoby, Councilor  
Mike Russo, Town Marshal  
Jim Rush, Clerk Treasurer  
Sue Beesley, Town Attorney  
Mark Beck, Crossroad Engineers

**Residents & Visitors that signed in:**

Bob Barrow, Resident  
Butch Walker  
Steve Marcopulos  
Terry O'Brien  
Mary Tinder

**Call to Order;**

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Residential Forum:**

No Resident asked to speak

**Approval of the Minutes:**

Council Meeting: May 11, 2016  
Motion for approval of minutes: Walter Freihofer,  
Seconded by: Sherman McMurray  
Vote: The motion passed unanimously

With a motion from Sherman McMurray and a second from Greg Jacoby, the warrants totaling \$53,489.67 were approved unanimously.

**Police Report:** Submitted and reviewed by Marshal Russo. Russo updated the Council on the recent developments in the robberies within the Town. He recommended increased vigilance within the Town from its residents and personal attention to protection such as locking doors and shutting garage doors when not in use. He suggested that the invasive methods used by the perpetrator appear to be consistent: entering from the second floor sometimes with the assistance of the residents' lawn furniture, targeting individuals who are out of town and looking for jewelry.

**Town Engineer:** Engineer Mark Beck, Crossroads Engineer, fielded questions about the report that had been filed. New discussion included Crossroads to complete and submit an application to the Indianapolis DPW to share the cost of the street repair that was recently completed. Mr. Beck indicated that he would complete the application process with the intent to get half of the costs reimbursed.

**Town Attorney:** Sue Beesley attended the meeting and suggested that the Internal Controls Ordinance would suffice to meet the SBOA requirements for adoption. There will be a recommendation made at the September meeting to address this requirement.

**Clerk Treasurer Report:** Clerk Treasurer Rush: CT Rush reported:

- a. Financial reports were distributed in advance by LWG.
- b. Appropriations will need to be amended for the Attorney and Engineering categories. It is expected that the public hearing will be held at 6:45 prior to the meeting on September 11, 2016.
- c. Damaged Sign-the Town has received the insurance proceeds of \$8500. Engineer Vorisek was directed by the Council to proceed with the sign's repair. The contractor who is coordinating the repair has advised that all parts have been ordered and nearing completion. Councilor Friehofer advised Engineer Beck to use the remainder of the insurance proceeds to assure that the tree and the light that was damaged in the accident be repaired as well. Councilor Friehofer also suggested that any funds remaining after the replacement be used for enhanced beautification if resident living in the immediate area have suggestions.
- d. CT reported that the Town's files had been partially reviewed with the assistance of Bob Barrows, Town resident and Professor of American History at IUPUI, and The File Depot. There were approximately 60 files and several maps and blueprints. CT Rush turned over several of the maps and blueprints to Engineer Vorisek for his review. The remaining files will be evaluated by CT Rush and Bob Barrows as time permits to determine the destiny of each per the State Records Management guidelines. CT Rush presented a list of 43 boxes' contents that are recommended for destruction. The protocol is to submit the list to the Clerk of the Circuit Court with a recommendation for 'Destruction of Non-Permanent Records'.
- e. CT Rush reported that he would be taking soil samples from each of the 13 common areas that are being maintained by Stavros. The soil samples will be sent to A&L Greatlakes Laboratories, Fort Wayne, IN for evaluation. The tests will each cost \$20 for a total cost of \$260. It is expected that the tests will provide information that will include guidance on care of each site.
- f. After the May 9, 2016 Council Meeting in which Councilor Jacoby requested that any new request for appropriations or project funding be accompanied by a itemization of the source of funds from which funding will be made and the status of availability of the source be included, Walter Friehofer, President of the MH Council and CT Rush met with Jim Higgins, CPA for LWG and Jennifer Hudson, LWG manager who is assigned the MH account. In that meeting it was determined that the information requested by Councilor Jacoby was meaningful and could be accommodated by adding a column "Committed Contracts" to the financial reports.
- g. State Board of Accounts:
  - i. CT filed Crossroads and Bingham, Greenebaum, Dole Personal Service contracts on the State Gateway Website
  - ii. All elected MH Town's officials, employees and appointed officials have reviewed the Internal Affairs Video by June 30, 2016 and submitted a certificate acknowledging.

- iii. CT indicated that within the next six months, a recommendation for policies to be approved to assure Town's compliance with this law will be submitted for approval.
- h. New Appropriations required: Town's budget has two items that are experiencing a run rate that exceeds the budget allowed for the remainder of 2016. There will be new appropriations recommended for approval at the September 11, 2016 meeting. A Special Public meeting will be held at 6:45pm prior to the regularly scheduled Town Council meeting to answer any questions and fulfill the State's guidelines for public review of the appropriations amendment.
- i. CT reported that, per announced at the Joint Safety meeting with residents from the Town of Williams Creek, the distribution of the Police handout was completed as promised.
- j. Robert Barrows special recognition: CT, with the consent of Walter Friehofer, Council President, presented a \$100 Gift Certificate to Fleming's Restaurant as a token of our appreciation for volunteer work that he had contributed on the old file project. (See Bob Barrow's review of some of the files.)

**Old Business:**

- A. Old File Determination: CT submitted the list of files and file contents that were to be submitted to the Clerk of the Circuit Court and the Indiana Commission for Public Records requesting consent to destroy the files listed.  
 Motion: Sherman McMurray, Second: Greg Jacoby: Passed Unanimously
- B. Safety Joint Meeting with Town of Williams Creek and Town of Meridian Hills residents.
  - a. Report from President Friehofer.

**New Business:**

- A. Request for Pay Proposal for Town's police to review the Internal Affairs video. Estimated cost \$91.  
 Motion: Sherman McMurray, Second: Greg Jacoby: motion passed unanimously.

**Committee Reports:**

- A. Development Standards Committee:
  - a. SWC of 75<sup>th</sup> and Central Ave.
  - b. 7107 Williams Creek Dr. granting their approval of the variance.  
 Motion from Greg Jacoby and seconded by Sherman McMurray. Motion passed unanimously
  - c. Southwest Corner of 75<sup>th</sup> and Central Ave: The request for variance at this property address was table

**Next Scheduled Meeting: 7:00 pm September 12, 2016**  
**Special Appropriations Meeting: 6:45 pm September 26, 2016**

**Meeting was adjourned.**

TOWN OF MERIDIAN HILLS, INDIANA

Accounts Payable Vouchers

The undersigned, as the council members of the Town of Meridian Hills, certifies that the invoices attached to this Accounts Payable Voucher listing were approved at a meeting of The Town of Meridian Hills on the 11th day of July, 2016.

The Town Accountant, London Witte Group, LLC, is hereby authorized to pay the claims attached to this Accounts Payable Voucher listing.

Dated this 11<sup>th</sup> day of July 2016.

  
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 Walter Freihofer, President

  
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 Greg Jacoby, Council Member

  
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 Dr. Sherman McMurray, Council Member

ATTEST:  
  
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 Jim Rush, Clerk-Treasurer

Payment Type	Vendor	Amount	Date Paid
EFT	Town Payroll	4,140.69	5/13/2016
EFT	Town Payroll	4,233.13	5/27/2016
EFT	Town Payroll	4,044.48	6/10/2016
EFT	Town Payroll	6,270.94	6/24/2016
EFT	Town Payroll	6,652.69	7/8/2016
ACH	PrimePay LLC	246.71	5/5/2016
ACH	AT&T	140.73	5/6/2016
EFT	Indianapolis Power & Light	532.36	6/3/2016
ACH	PrimePay LLC	166.09	6/5/2016
ACH	AT&T	156.44	6/6/2016
EFT	SuperFleet	122.06	6/6/2016
2893	Walker & Associates	105.00	6/9/2016
2894	Bingham Greenebaum Doll LLP	1,262.00	6/9/2016
2895	Verizon Wireless	30.05	6/9/2016
ACH	PrimePay LLC	177.09	7/5/2016
ACH	AT&T	152.84	7/8/2016
2896	Reimbursement to Terry O'Brien	408.00	7/11/2016
2897	London Witte Group	500.00	7/11/2016
2898	CrossRoad Engineers, PC	2,201.52	7/11/2016
2899	CrossRoad Engineers, PC	3,978.92	7/11/2016
2900	IACT	17.00	7/11/2016
2901	Globe Asphalt Paving Co., Inc.	2,400.00	7/11/2016
2902	Walker & Associates	100.00	7/11/2016
2903	Reimbursement to Jim Rush	79.99	7/11/2016
2904	Bingham Greenebaum Doll LLP	3,040.00	7/11/2016
2905	Walker & Associates	1,369.00	7/11/2016
2906	Walker & Associates	4,379.00	7/11/2016
2907	Walker & Associates	1,357.00	7/11/2016
2908	Roundpeg	200.00	7/11/2016
2909	Stavros, Inc.	2,742.35	7/11/2016
2910	Roundpeg	75.00	7/11/2016
2911	CrossRoad Engineers, PC	1,744.04	7/11/2016
2912	Verizon Wireless	30.03	7/11/2016
2913	File Depot	431.48	7/11/2016
Total		53,486.63	