

TOWN OF THORNTOWN  
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING  
October 16, 2023  
7:00 PM

The October 16, 2023, meeting of the Council of the Town of Thorntown was called to order by Council President, Sara Fairfield, 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	Dax Norton, Consultant
Dave Williams, Council	Frank Clark, Marshal
Bruce Burtner, Council	
Shawn McClintock, Council	Gary Moody, Utility Supt.
Larry Truitt, Council	
Koren Gray, Clerk/Treasurer -absent	Mark Sullivan, Midwestern Engineering
Drew Guenther, Bldg. Inspector	1 citizen

**Presentations/Guests:**

Bruce Bultman, Cornerstone, was present to seek a Work in Right of Way Permit. Cornerstone is the company who has installed monitoring wells due to contamination in the ground from a spill several years ago. Cornerstone is needing to apply injections into areas to plug so contamination cannot spread. Sara made a motion to allow a permit for Cornerstone. Larry made a second. Motion passed 5-0.

Mark Sullivan, Midwestern Engineering, reviewed the issues with the new lagoon. He provided a report from Patriot Engineering & Environmental Inc, and a quote for a liner from Industrial & Environmental Concepts. The quote of the liner is \$205,160. 9 days in a row of decent weather with 45 or above temperatures is needed for installation. Striegel Design has an estimated cost of \$110,000 for prep work. The Council needs to review some legal information with the attorney. Dave made a motion to allow work to begin as soon as we obtain the legal advice from the attorney. Bruce made a second. Motion passed 5-0.

**Public Comments/Concerns:**

None

**Department/Board and Commissions Reports:**  
(NO REPORTS THE FIRST MONDAY OF THE MONTH MEETING)

**Advisory Plan Commission:**

Drew Guenther, on behalf of the APC, had no business to present.

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

Marshal Frank Clark made mention of a local accident that happened this week involving a student. He advised that INDOT is the entity who determines lights, signage, etc. that goes along the highways. Most children in this particular area are standing, waiting for the school bus.

**Fire:**

No representative present

**Utilities:**

Gary Moody announced that leaf collection will begin November 1. He cannot set a termination date at this time. He asked the Council if they would pay a third person to help with the collection. He said Drew Guenther will be helping as well.

Gary said the sewer camera project showed we have some roots in places in our pipes. A formal report needs to be submitted to the Council. Dax Norton, Consultant, advised we could be looking at an engineer for future steps. We still have a lot of unknowns at this time.

**Building Inspector:**

Nothing to report

**Park Board:**

The Park Board is looking for 2 more citizens to become Park Board members. Any interested persons may contact Leslie Doctor.

**Storm Water Board:**

Nothing to report

**Sanitary Sewer:**

Nothing to report

**Clerk/Treasurer:**

Absent, nothing to report

**Consent Agenda:**

Minutes from October 2, were not ready for the agenda.

**Unfinished Business:**

Ordinance 2023-13, an Ordinance Establishing Appropriations and Tax Rates (budget) for 2024, was presented. Larry made a motion to adopt the budget for 2024. Bruce made a second. Motion passed 5-0.

**New Business:**

No new business to present

**Adjournment:**

With no other business to be presented, Sara made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:56 pm. Bruce made a second. Motion passed 5--0.

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Sara Fairfield  
Council President

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Koren Gray  
Clerk/Treasurer

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