

**CLOVERDALE TOWN COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
TUESDAY, JULY 13, 2021**

The Cloverdale Town Council met in Regular Session at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, July 13, 2021, 2021, in the Town Hall; 154 S. Main Street; Cloverdale, IN 46120.

**CALL TO ORDER:** President Rick Dearwester called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**PLEDGE TO THE FLAG:** The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**ROLL CALL:** Present on Roll Call were Councilmembers Gary Bennington, Greg Jay, Cindy Holland, and Rick Dearwester. Larry Fidler was absent. Also present were Town Marshal Steve Hibler, Town Manager Jason Hartman, Town Attorney Richard Shagley. Clerk Treasurer Kelly Maners was absent, and Deputy Clerk Samantha Hinman was there in her place.

**ADDITION OR DELETION TO AGENDA:** It was requested that the Police Car Lease and William Fowler – Hydrant and Storm Water Fees be removed from the agenda and Cloverdale vs. Galloway be added. Councilmember Holland motioned to approve the agenda with the additions and deletions. Councilmember Jay seconded. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

1. Regular Meeting Minutes June 8, 2021

Councilmember Bennington motioned to approve. Councilmember Holland seconded. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

2. Memorandum of Executive Session June 8, 2021

Councilmember Jay motioned to approve. Councilmember Holland seconded. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

3. Special Meeting Minutes June 24, 2021

Councilmember Bennington motioned to approve. Councilmember Jay seconded. The motion carried with Councilmembers Bennington, Jay and Dearwester voting in favor. Councilmember Holland abstained.

**CLAIMS AND TRANSFERS:**

General: \$168,151.01	Motion: Councilmember Jay	2 <sup>nd</sup> : Councilmember Holland
Water: \$78,408.72	Motion: Councilmember Bennington	2 <sup>nd</sup> : Councilmember Jay
Wastewater: \$116,137.64	Motion: Councilmember Jay	2 <sup>nd</sup> : Councilmember Holland
Payroll: \$48,068.32	Motion: Councilmember Bennington	2 <sup>nd</sup> : Councilmember Jay

All motions were carried by unanimous vote.

**TOWN MARSHAL:** Marshal Hibler gave a monthly report on the activities of the Police Department. Deputy Marshal Wade Warren has graduated from the ILEA police academy.

**FIRE CHIEF:** There was no one present from the Fire Department.

**TOWN MANAGER:**

- a. **BULK WATER STATION RATES:** The bulk water station is functioning, but Town Manager Hartman and Richard Saucerman will verify the flow rate is correct on July 14, 2021.
- b. **STARDUST HILLS ROAD ESTIMATES:** Quote from Wallace Construction for the length of Stardust Road came in at \$106,767.00. Wallace Construction suggested that Frost Way, Blue Side Way, Lazy Bones Way, and Play Way needed attention. Town Manager Hartman will gather bids to present to council for Stardust Road. Hartman mentioned the Community Crossing Grant would not be available until December, with funds available spring 2022. The additional roads will be included in the Community Crossing Grant.

**CLERK TREASURER:**

- a. **REVENUE REPORTS:** Revenue Reports were presented to Council.
- b. **APPROPRIATION REPORT:** An appropriation report was presented to Council.
- c. **WATER AND SEWER BUGDET:** A monthly detailed report on the Water and Wastewater Enterprises was presented to Council.
- d. **BOYCE SOFTWARE RENEWAL:** This is an annual renewal that the town and utility office run on. The total of \$8,860.00. Councilmember Bennington motioned to approve. Councilmember Holland seconded. The motion carried by unanimous vote.
- e. **FIRE CONTRACT:** Attorney Shagley and the attorney for the fire department are working on drawing up the fire contract. It should be ready to present to council in August.
- f. **PUBLIC SAFETY FUND:** Tabled until next month when the fire contract is complete.
- g. **BUDGET:** Councilmember Dearwester and Councilmember Bennington volunteered to meet with Clerk Treasurer Maners and the department heads to begin the 2022 budget.
- h. **SALARY/WAGES:** Council will inform the Clerk Treasurer of raises for 2022 so that it may be included in the budget in the near future.

**PLANNING/BZA:** There were no BZA or Planning meetings this month.

- a. **APPOINTMENTS:** The same appointments are still open. BZA needs one, unless James McKee remains as the appointed member. Planning needs one more member.

**PARK BOARD:** There was no one present from the park board.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- a. **STARDUST HILLS HOA:** David Fish represented the Stardust Hills HOA. Fish publicly thanked the fire department for their overview of the fireworks show at the clubhouse on July 2, 2021. Fish requested that the speed limit in Stardust be lowered. Discussion to lower speed. Marshal Hibler will try to increase the enforcement effort through Stardust. Attorney Shagley will look into the procedure for a 5 MPH reduction.
- b. **PUTNAM COUNTY VISITORS BUREAU REPRESENTATIVE – MARK WINGLER:** Mark Wingler's term is up on December 31, 2021. A new appointee will be needed.
- c. **DOE CREEK MEADOWS:** A preliminary plat for the proposed Doe Creek subdivision will be going to the Planning Commission on August 5, 2021 for review. Discussion ensued.

- d. **MCDONALD'S, DAYS INN, HAYMAN, AND LEE PRIVATE DRIVE:** The council will meet with the owners to discuss Beagle Club Road being deeded to the town. Discussion occurred. This area is in the Opportunity Zone.
- e. **SWIF FUNDING APPLICATION:** HWC Engineering has constructed an application for a grant/funding opportunity. Response returns in August with funding details. Discussion ensued. Motion made by Councilmember Jay for Councilmember Dearwester to sign the application for submission. Councilmember Bennington seconded. The motion carried by unanimous vote.
- f. **EMPLOYEE MEDICAL BENEFIT:** With the changes in medical insurance, the rates went up for employee's mid-year. Clerk Treasurer Maners requested the Town cover the difference for the remainder of the 2021 year. This would come out of the funds budgeted for the Building Inspector's salary. Clerk Treasurer Maners will send out letter to employees notifying them of the increase to begin in 2022. A motion for the town to cover the increase was made by Councilmember Jay. Councilmember Holland seconded. The motion carried by unanimous vote.
- g. **CLOVERDALE VS. GALLOWAY:** Attorney Shagley suggested withdrawing the counterclaim from the Cloverdale vs. Galloway suit as the legal fees would cost the town more than the return. Councilmember Dearwester made the motion for Attorney Shagley to file a Limited Appearance to Withdraw the Town's counterclaims. Councilmember Jay seconded. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

At this point in the meeting Councilmember Bennington questioned the "big red bus" parked in Stardust Hills. The Stardust Hills HOA had already addressed the owner of the vehicle. It should be relocated no later than July 19, 2021.

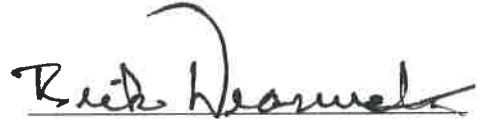
**OLD BUSINESS:**

- a. **TOWN HALL SECURITY SYSTEM:** Marshal Hibler will bring a quote, and details of where he suggests the cameras be located, to the next town council meeting.
- b. **OFF ROAD VEHICLE/GOLF CART ORDINANCE:** This is the second reading of Ordinance 2021-3. Discussion ensued. Councilmember Jay made a motion to accept Ordinance 2021-3. It was seconded by Councilmember Bennington. The motion carried by unanimous vote.
- c. **BLUESIDE WAY SEWER PROJECT:** The supplies have been ordered and we are still waiting on them to come in, so the work can begin.
- d. **OLD WATER TOWER SITE:**
  - 1. **Rescind Resolution 2021-5:** Motion to pass Rescind Resolution 2021-5 made by Councilmember Dearwester. Seconded by Councilmember Jay. Motion carried by unanimous vote.
  - 2. **Resolution 2021-4:** Motion to adopt Resolution 2021-4 made by Councilmember Jay. Second by Councilmember Holland. Motion carried by unanimous vote.
- e. **ZONING ORDINANCE CONSULTANT UPDATE:** Town Manager Hartman is meeting with the County again the week of August 2, 2021 for review and adjustments. Discussion took place.
- f. **ZONING INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT:** This has been tabled until after the zoning ordinance meeting has taken place.

- g. **OPPORTUNITY ZONE UPDATE:** This committee has continued to meet every week for about six weeks. The committee plans to push for two projects: hotel complex and something industrial such as distribution or light manufacturing. A third aspect could potentially be multi-family housing.

**QUESTIONS FROM AUDIENCE:** Don Gedert inquired about having the town move a fire hydrant located at 585 Cool Evening Road. UMAC estimated a cost of \$1,500.00 to move the fire hydrant. A motion for the town to cover the cost to move the fire hydrant was made by Councilmember Bennington. Seconded by Councilmember Jay. Motion carried by unanimous vote. Don Gedert requested the unused cable boxes around town be removed. Discussion ensued. There was a metal guard rail hit at the corner of Lazy River Road and Stardust Way. Town Manager Hartman will look into this.

**ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting was adjourned by Council President Dearwester at 8:28 p.m.




Rick Dearwester, Town Council President



Gary Bennington, Vice President



Cindy Holland



Greg Jay

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Larry Fidler

  
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Kelly Maners, Clerk Treasurer