

Town of Sellersburg  
Regular Town Council Meeting  
Meeting Minutes

**DATE:** May 9, 2016

**CALLED TO ORDER:** President Paul J. Rhodes called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. at the Sellersburg Town Hall, 316 E. Utica Street, Sellersburg, Indiana.

**ROLL CALL:** President Paul J. Rhodes, Council Member William J. Conlin, Council Member James H. LaMaster, Town Council Attorney Jacob C. Elder and Clerk Treasurer Michelle D. Miller. 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Martina P. Webster arrived after the agenda was adopted. Vice President Brad J. Amos was absent

**PRAYER BY:** Brother Randy Coultas      **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** By all present

**MOTION TO ADOPT THE AGENDA AS PRESENTED:**

Motion: James H. LaMaster      Second: William J. Conlin      Vote: 5-aye, 0-nay, motion approved.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM APRIL 25, 2016:**

Motion: William J. Conlin      Second: Brad J. Amos      Vote: 5-aye, 0-nay, motion approved.

**APPROVAL OF CLAIMS & ALLOWANCE DOCKETS WITH THE REMOVAL OF CLAIMS FOR ATTORNEY JACOB ELDER AND LARRY WILDER:**

Motion: Martina P. Webster      Second: James H. LaMaster      Vote: 4-aye, 1-nay by William J. Conlin, motion approved.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Tom Galligan, President of South Central Regional Airport Authority requesting a donation of up to \$30,000.00 as a Matching Grant for the Airport Expansion Project.

Melody McNames speaks in opposition of the donation request as the Town has already donated a piece of property valued at \$42,000.00 for the expansion and based on the figures presented by the Airport Authority, they are asking for over \$300,000.00 more than what is needed.

Lisa Morris also speaks in opposition of the donation request.

**MOTION TO TABLE THE DONATION REQUEST UNTIL THE NEXT MEETING:**

Motion: Martina P. Webster      Second: Brad J. Amos      Vote: 5-aye, 0-nay, motion approved.

**RECEIPT OF STAFF REPORTS:**

Police Chief William R. Whelan is requesting that the Town Council suspend roadblocks within the Town limits until after the construction on Interstate 65 and adjoining intersections is complete.

Motion: Martina P. Webster      Second: William J. Conlin      Vote: 4-aye, 1-nay by Brad J. Amos, motion approved and Town Attorney Jacob C. Elder will prepare and Ordinance.

Police Chief William R. Whelan requests permission from the Council to pursue the 2016 COPS Hiring Grant in the amount of \$375,000.00 (\$125,000 per year for 3 years). After that the Town will be responsible for covering the cost of the officer.

Motion: Brad J. Amos      Second: William J. Conlin      Vote: 4-aye, 1-nay by Martina P. Webster, motion approved.

**COMMENTS FROM COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP AND CLERK TREASURER:**

Brad J. Amos: Presents 2016 Pool hours and fees and would like to update the Council on the Sellersburg Cemetery situation. The Township Trustee, by statute, is responsible for the maintenance and upkeep of the cemetery.

Paul J. Rhodes: Advises that several applications have been received for the Executive Secretary position. Town Attorney Jacob C. Elder will scan the applications and email to all Council Members for review and to select the top nine so that interviews can be set.

Paul J. Rhodes: Advises there will be a Workshop on Tuesday, May 17<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. to discuss the landfill. Martina P. Webster advises she would like a third engineer present for the workshop and Public Works Director Kenneth J. Alexander advises he will contact Stantec and see if they can attend.

Paul J. Rhodes: Advises that the contract with Code Red has been terminated.

Paul J. Rhodes: Asks William J. Conlin if he has been able to check on the turn light at the intersection of 31 and Utica Streets. Mr. Conlin advises he will check in to this.

**ADJOURN:**

Motion: Brad J. Amos      Second: Martina P. Webster      Vote: 5-aye, 0-nay, motion approved and meeting adjourned at 8:16 p.m.

Approved this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2016

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Paul J. Rhodes, President

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James H. LaMaster, Council Member

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Brad J. Amos, Vice President

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William J. Conlin, Council Member

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Martina P. Webster, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President

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Attest: Michelle D. Miller, Clerk Treasurer