

A meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Williamsport was held on August 1, 2018 at 7:30 pm at the Town Hall with the following officers present –Dave Banta, Council President, Dick Briles, Council Member, and William Lucas, Clerk Treasurer. Also in attendance were Nancy Litzenberger, Town Attorney, Kevin Strickler, Mark Hutson, Greg Taylor, Mike Hutchison, Amy Cushman, Vicky Strickler, Tim Davis, Jim Lanham, Jerry Lucas, Gene Snoeberger, Dave Watkins, Michele Stucky, and Adam Gilbert for the Review Republican.

Dave Banta called the meeting to order. Traci Latoz was not present.

Dick Briles made a motion to approve the Minutes of the July 12th Special Meeting at 7:00 p.m. Dave Banta seconded. Voted and approved.

Mark Hutson said they would be hauling sludge this month.

Gene Snoeberger spoke to Eric Haley from the Health Department. They will be getting together soon to go look at 29 W Center Street and a possible open cistern on the property.

The Budget Hearing Date is set for September 4th, 2018 at 7:30 p.m. The Budget Adoption date is set for September 17th, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

Dave Banta spoke about the street repairs on new paving.

Dave Banta spoke about the rate studies for water, sewer, and storm water. The Town has applied for a loan from the State Revolving Funds. We may want to make the repairs on the sewer lines the priority. A special meeting with KIRPC, Therber, Brock, and Associates, HWC, and the Council is needed to address these topics. We will try to meet August 21st, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. The three items to be discussed at this meeting are the SRF loan, a grant from KIRPC, and revising the proposal from Therber, Brock, and Associates.

Kevin Strickler spoke about a problem at the Indiana Precision Plastics building due to a lightning strike.

There was an outage on July 31st that involved the hospital.

Kevin Strickler said the wells look good at this time. He also spoke about other testing that went well.

Kevin Strickler has been working on 2019 street funding with the state.

Street paving is done for 2018.

Kevin Strickler had quotes to build a new pavilion at the park.

Interstate Builders:	40 ft X 110 ft X 8 ft	\$46,709.00 without concrete
King Builders :	40 ft X 96 ft X 10 ft	\$44,280.00 with concrete

Vickie Strickler has applied for several grants to help with the cost of building a new pavilion at the park.

The Park Program had a booth at the WCCF Street Fair and had a silent auction to raise money for the Pavilion. The money raised from the silent auction was combined with donations from several other organizations and totaled \$1,650.12. This money is to be deposited in the Park Program Fund. She will then turn it over to the Town Park Fund for the Pavilion.

Dave Banta spoke about April Nowicki's property and correspondence received from Adult Protective Services regarding April. The correspondence states that they do not believe April meets the criteria of an endangered adult and she is still able to direct her own care. A hearing to determine what will be done with the building on April's property has been set for September 4th, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

The Council also discussed several other properties that are in disrepair that may need to be deemed unsafe buildings. Nancy Litzenberger will send a letter to John Kuiper to inspect Mark Jernagan's property at 7 S Third Street.

Dave Banta spoke about a person wanting to purchase the empty lot next to the Warren County Community Foundation that the Town owns.

Jerry Lucas spoke about his neighbor's property. The property needs cleaned up and the weeds need cut. Jerry said there are also many animals there, such as raccoons, snakes, and rabbits.

Vickie Strickler spoke about the pool hours. If there is little to no traffic for several consecutive hours, would it be ok to close? Also, there is not much business once school starts. Starting in

2019, would it be ok to close the pool for the season once school starts instead of remaining open until Labor Day? Vickie is concerned that people would be unhappy with the early pool closures.

Tim Davis spoke about the Fire Departments plan for a Fall Festival. The Festival will include a beer garden, car show, bands, and a cook out. He is requesting that the Town donate \$200.00 towards the rental of porta potties. The Town can do this.

Dave Watkins was here to see which Council Candidates on the Fall Ballott were in attendance to the monthly council meeting.

Michele Stucky spoke about the Street Fair. She thought it was a success and thanked the Council and Kevin Strickler for the Town's help.

Jim Lanham asked about the Council setting new rates for the utilities. Dave Banta said nothing has been determined yet.

Kevin Strickler spoke about a culvert on Grant Street that the County Highway Department put in. The County wants \$1,469.68 from the Town to pay for this. The Council would agree to patch black top over the area.

Dick Briles made a motion to adjourn. Dave Banta seconded. Voted and passed.

With no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned.

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