

**TOWN OF INTERLACHEN
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, JULY 13, 2021 - 7:00 P.M.
DICKERMAN BUILDING**

CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Conner called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Council Members present were Chairperson Joni Conner, Vice-Chairperson Judi Costanzo, Beverly Bakker, Carolyn Bennett, and Carolyn Meadows. Mayor Larsen and Attorney George Young were present also.

COUNCIL CHAIRPERSON: JONI CONNER

Chairperson Conner thanked all who participated in the Independence Day Celebration and Mrs. Russell for conducting the caboose tours. Chairperson Conner also commented on the good paint job of the caboose.

COUNCIL DISCUSSION:

Discussion and Consideration of Bidding out for IT Services.

Council Member Meadows moved to put IT services out for bid once a scope of services is done. Council Member Bakker seconded. Motion passed by a four (4) to one (1) voice vote of the Council, with Council Member Costanzo voting no.

Discussion and Consideration of Dowda Field Improvements.

Council Member Costanzo suggested that the Town apply for a grant and send letters to the surrounding property owners for their opinion. The Council agreed and the Clerk will send out the letters at the appropriate time.

Discussion and Consideration of Tortoise Removal at Dowda Field.

This item was tabled.

Discussion and Consideration of C&D Contract.

Mr. Reid went over his contract and stated that he had done a lot that he didn't bill the Town for. The Council advised him to submit a bid for IT services.

Discussion and Consideration of Filing a Lien on the 104 Dickens Street Property

Council Member Costanzo moved to have the Lien recorded. Council Member Bennett seconded. Motion passed by a unanimous voice vote of the Council.

Discussion and Consideration of Compensating the Deputy Clerk for Codes Enforcement Work.

Council Member Bennett moved to compensate the Deputy Town Clerk \$400.00 a month for her work on code cases. Council Member Meadows seconded. Motion passed by a unanimous voice vote of the Council.

Discussion and Consideration of the Regular Appointment of Town Clerk, Joni Payne.

Council Member Bennett moved to approve the regular appointment of Mrs. Payne since she has completed her probationary period. Council Member Bakker seconded. Motion passed by a unanimous voice vote of the Council.

Discussion and Consideration of Adopting the Tentative 2021/2022 Millage Rate.

The Clerk stated that the current milage rate is 8.1760%.

Council Member Bakker moved to go with the current milage of 8.1760% . Council Member Bennett seconded. Motion passed by a unanimous voice vote of the Council.

Discussion and Consideration of Setting the Dates for the Tentative and Final Budget Public Hearings.

The Tentative Budget Public Hearing was set for 5:05 pm on September 16, 2021, and the Final Budget Public hearing was set for 5:05 pm on September 23, 2021.

ORDINANCES:

Ordinance 2021-3; Regulation of Town Parks. – 2nd Reading

By unanimous general consent Ordinance 2021-3 was read by title only.

Council Member Costanzo moved to adopt Ordinance 2021-3 on second reading. Council Member Bakker seconded. Motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote of the Council.

CONSENT AGENDA:

The consent agenda was approved by unanimous general consent.

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Council Member Meadows stated that she, along with the Mayor and Chairperson Conner had attended the Putnam County Board of Commissioners meeting today where the signs for CR 315 honoring R.H. Jenkins were revealed.

Council Member Bennett asked that the Council come up with topics for discussion at the joint meeting with the Putnam County Board of Commissioners on July 27, 2021.

Council Member Bakker thanked the maintenance department for the quick response when the water was out.

All the Council members agreed that having the Independence Day Celebration later in the day was great.

MAYOR COMMENTS:

The mayor stated that having the festivities around Interlachen Hall was nice.

DEPARTMENT HEAD COMMENTS:

The Maintenance Supervisor stated that the C.D.B.G. project is close to completion.

Chief Wilburn stated that it has been hard to fill the police officer position.

CITIZEN COMMENTS:

Mr. Schapiro complained about the grass not being cut properly on CR 315. Council advised him to contact Commissioner Larry Harvey since CR 315 is a County maintained road.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 8:03 pm.