MILFORD TOWN COUNCIL

7:00 P.M. AT THE MILFORD COMMUNITY BUILDING

MONDAY, MAY 10, 2021

Public Hearing Of The Adoption Of Resolution Designating An Economic Revitalization Area Within The Corporate Limits of The Town of Milford Junction, Indiana

Present: Doug Ruch, Ken Long, and Bob Cockburn

Attorney Steve Snyder gave an introduction to the project and explained that this public hearing is a continuance of the presentation at the prior meeting on the project for CTB, Inc.

Town Council President, Doug Ruch, opened the public hearing of the Adoption Of Resolution Designating An Economic Revitalization Area Within The Corporate Limits.

Greg Fitzloff, with Kedco, commented on behalf of the Kedco CEO, Alan Tio. He accentuated that this is a good project for Milford. It is a good investment for Milford, the area, and Agribusiness in our county. Kedco is 100% in support of this project.

Council President, Doug Ruch, wished CTB well and glad they remain here in Milford & have made Milford their world headquarters.

Milford Redevelopment Commission President, Dan Brown, also spoke in favor of the project. He shared that the Redevelopment Commission has reviewed the project and fully support the abatement as proposed.

There were no additional questions or comments from the floor.

President Doug Ruch closed the floor for the Public Hearing.

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Doug opened the meeting with the pledge of allegiance and a prayer.

See separate minutes for the Public Hearing On The Adoption Of Resolution Designating An Economic Revitalization Area Within The Corporate Limits of The Town of Milford Junction, Indiana.

Ken Long moved to adopt Resolution 2021-2 Confirmatory Resolution of The Town Council of Milford Junction, Kosciusko County, Indiana Designating An Economic Revitalization Area. Bob Cockburn seconded. All agreed.

A motion was made by Ken Long to approve the memorandum from the prior meeting. Seconded by Bob Cockburn. All agreed and motion carried.

Attorney Report:

 Town attorney, Jay Rigdon, reported that we are involved in litigation with Ron Davidhizer. Statutes require there to be an expedited hearing. The judge reviews the transcript of the hearing last fall. There is a briefing scheduled after that. Then there is 20-30 days to file briefs. After those are submitted the court can make a decision. Things are moving as quickly as he would normally expect.

Public Input:

- Tricia Gall presented a Notice of Public Hearing from Purina Mills. There were no comments.
- Suzie Light gave a review and update on KEDCo's Mission In Motion and the Forward Kosciusko project.
- Tom & Trisha Beer were present to discuss Milford Family Fun Fest. Tom stated there has been an outpouring of support from individuals and businesses.

Fire Department:

- Doug Ruch stated that mailers are being sent out for their annual family photo fundraiser.
- He also stated that the Saturday of Milford Family Fun Fest, the fire department will have ribeye sandwiches in a drive-thru format for a donation from 11 a.m. until sold out.

Police Report:

 Marshal Kreider reported that Chief Deputy Tim Miller will be retiring on May 27, 2021. He then presented Officer Miller with a gift on behalf of the town for his years of service. He also requested permission from the council to relinquish his side arm to Tim as a token of appreciate for an outstanding career of service. Ken moved to approve relinquishing the side arm. Bob seconded. All agreed. Marshall Kreider requested permission to hire RJ Plummer to replace Tim Miller's open spot on the department. RJ would begin on June 1st. Ken moved to hire RJ Plummer. Bob seconded. All agreed.

Wastewater:

- We are waiting on IDEM for our pond closure permit.
- There is not any pre-approved footage for cameraing any lines.
- Shankster Bros is flowing well.
- Mark sent the microscope in for repair.
- Mark requested permission to assist Shankster Bros when their operator needs to be out of the office. Discussion was held. Whoever would do this service needs to be paid separately and it can not be done on town time.
 Ken moved to have Jay draft an agreement that could be signed between Shankster Bros and the worker/the Town of Milford. Bob seconded. All agreed.

Street:

- Street Superintendent, Steven Marquart, reported that town cleanup was a big success. There were 11 dumpsters and 1 metal dumpster filled.
- Steven presented the street closings for Milford Family Fun Fest. Bob moved to approve the street closings as presented. Ken seconded. All agreed.
- Steven reported the Memorial Day Parade will be on Monday, May 31st. Line up begins at 9:00 a.m. and the parade starts at 10:00 a.m. If there are any questions, please contact Steven.
- Steven reported that the Milford Redevelopment Commission has approved the purchase of two new entrance signs for the town.

Water:

• Steven presented to the Milford Redevelopment Commission a request to pay to replace a value and add a hydrant near the well. He needs to get two additional quotes, but Redevelopment has approved the repair.

Park:

- We are still looking for lifeguards and concession stand worker for the summer season. Steven requested a wage increase of returning lifeguards up to \$15/hr and beginning lifeguards at \$13/hr. The concession stand worker will remain \$10.00/hr. Ken moved to adopt Ordinance 2021-5 to amend the Salary Ordinance as requested by Steven. Doug seconded. All agreed.
- Steven reported the park is ready for the summer.

Clerk:

- Tricia Gall, Clerk-Treasurer, presented the April Bank Reconciliation for approval. Ken moved to accept the bank reconciliation. Bob seconded. All agreed.
- Tricia Gall reported that Monday, May 31st is a town holiday and the Town Hall will be closed.

- Tricia Gall presented Ordinance 2021-4 Creating Fund 176 ARP Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund. Ken Long moved to adopt Ordinance 2021-4.
 Bob Cockburn seconded. All agreed.
- Tricia Gall passed out the Comprehensive Social Media Archiving Compliance Guide issued by Archive Social. The annual cost for this service is \$2,988. The council will review and discuss at the next meeting.
- Tricia Gall requested permission from the town to use the services of Municode for the Town Code Self-Publishing Software. The cost is \$1,200 annually with a one-time \$500 database conversion and software setup fee. Discussion was held. Ken moved to approve an amount not to exceed \$1,700.00 for setup of the town code with Municode. Bob seconded. All agreed.
- Tricia Gall requested a credit for Preston Smith whose meter has not been reading correctly. Ken moved to approve. Doug seconded. All agreed.
- The Governor's Order 21-11 renewed the public health disaster emergency through May 31st.

Accounts Payable Voucher:

 Tricia Gall presented the APV Registers dated 03/10/2020 through 05/10/2021. President, Doug Ruch, commented that the council has been reviewing the APV Registers monthly along the way. Ken moved to approve the APV Registers from 03/10/2020 through 05/10/2021. Bob seconded. All agreed.

There was no further business, Ken moved to adjourn and Doug seconded. All agreed.

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