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Town Council Meeting  
August 6, 2018

Meeting called to order by Mayor Melton at 7:00 P.M.

Alisa Scott, Barbara Reed, Billy Whittington, Leah Higginbotham, and Jenny Leighton were present.

The Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Melton introduced Dean Bowers from Adkins & Ogle Law Offices. He presented Council with information in regards to their acting on behalf of the Town for the collection of bad sewer debts. They work on a contingency basis, 75/25 (court fees reimbursed prior to sharing), payment is made only when collections are made.

Leah Higginbotham made motion to agree to the terms of the Adkins & Ogle Law Office to collect bad debts, Barbara Reed seconded, motion carried unanimously.

Barbara Reed made motion to approve the July 2<sup>nd</sup> and July 12<sup>th</sup> minutes as read, Leah Higginbotham seconded, motion carried unanimously.

Leah Higginbotham made motion to approve payments from July 1<sup>st</sup> through present date, Alisa Scott seconded, motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Melton introduced Jessica Coulson, a representative of Buffalo Oktoberfest, who presented Council with a handout requesting a yearly commitment of funds from the Town to contribute to the costs of the festival. She is requesting a continuing annual commitment of \$2000.00.

Leah Higginbotham made motion to approve of Jessica Coulson's request for a continuing annual commitment of \$2000.00 to the Buffalo Oktoberfest, Jenny Leighton seconded, motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Melton introduced Amy Coleman, representing the Buffalo High School Music Boosters. She is asking Council for financial help to purchase a commercial drink cooler which is estimated to be about \$1000.00.

Leah Higginbotham made motion to donate \$1000.00 to the Buffalo Music Boosters for a new drink cooler.

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Mayor Melton handed council an ad from the Teays Valley Lions Club Donation to Putnam County Homecoming.

Alisa Scott made motion to purchase a business card from the Teays Valley Lions Club for the annual Putnam County Homecoming, Barbara Reed seconded, motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Melton presented Council with several concepts for a Town Park, a Town Hall, and a Community Center to consider.

Jenny Leighton made motion to remove the gazebo field/ #2, Leah Higginbotham seconded, four Council members voted in favor, Billy Whittington withheld from voting.

Mayor Melton asked Council for their permission to move funds, from a CD that is about to reach its maturity date, to the checking account so that it may be available for use involving the Wrights Lane Bridge.

Leah Higginbotham made motion to move the funds into the checking account, Barbara Reed seconded, motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Melton asked Council to decide on a width for the Wrights Lane Bridge.

Leah Higginbotham made motion to approve of a 15ft. width for the Wrights Lane Bridge, Alisa Scott seconded, motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Melton handed out a flyer created for the Fall Cleanup asking for volunteers.

Alisa Scott made motion to adjourn, Leah Higginbotham seconded, meeting adjourned at 9:30 P.M.

Attendance: Chief Will Jordan, Ronnie Harris, Sharon Hedrick, Amanda Runion, P.J. Reilly, Herman Jividen, Tim Jividen, Sharon Woods, Lawrence Woods

Mayor

Recorder