



# OTTERBEIN

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*A place for family*

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### Important Phone Numbers

Police	911 or 884-0080
Water Emergencies	476-3055
Billing Questions	583-4944
Clerk's Office	583-0089
Republic/Allied Waste	477-9138
Streets and Water	583-3430

### Councilmen

Kevin Burk	404-1481
Dirk Studebaker	574-551-2903
Doyle Allison	583-9481
Amy Brown	376-0366
Rick Hadley	418-5742

## Calendar July 2017

3 <sup>rd</sup>	Town Hall Closed due to holiday
4 <sup>th</sup>	Town Hall Closed due to holiday
5 <sup>th</sup>	Limb Pickup Begins
6 <sup>th</sup>	Trash/Recycle due to holiday
11 <sup>th</sup>	Town Council Meeting 6:00 PM
19 <sup>th</sup>	Trash/Recycle
25 <sup>th</sup>	Special Board Meeting 6:00 PM

Have a Safe  
and  
Happy 4th of July



### Downtown Movie Night Thompson Park—July 7th—Dusk Otterbein Public Library presents... The Lego Batman Movie

Free to attend! Bring your lawn chairs  
and blankets. Popcorn will be provided by  
Farmers & Merchants Bank!



### Illiana Antique Power Association— 36th Annual Antique Power Exhibition

July 21 - 22 - 23, 2017

Friday & Saturday: 8:00am—6:00 pm;  
Sunday: 8:00 am—3:00 pm



### Yard of the Month!!

Presented by the Otterbein Rotary Club  
Larry and Betty Owens

### Otterbein Street Festival

Town-Wide Garage Sales

Mark your calendars for

Saturday, August 5<sup>th</sup>

### Benton County Fair 2017

The county fair will be held July 26-July  
31, 2017 at the Benton County Fairgrounds in  
Boswell, Indiana. The fair highlights exhibits  
and shows of Benton county 4-H members.



### Masonic Lodge Fish Fry

Friday, August 4<sup>th</sup> from 5:00pm – 7:00 p.m.

Carryout Available!



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## EXECUTIVE SESSION

**Monday, June 5, 2017 5:30 PM**

Council President Kevin Burk called the meeting to order at 5:35 PM with members Dirk Studebaker, Rick Hadley, and Doyle Allison present. Member Amy Brown was absent.

The Council interviewed three candidates for the Utilities Operator Assistant position.

Doyle Allison made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:45 PM. Dirk Studebaker seconded the motion and all were in favor.

## TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

**TUESDAY, JUNE 6, 2017 6:00 PM**

Council President Kevin Burk called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM with members Richard (Rick) Hadley, Amy Brown, Dirk Studebaker, and Doyle Allison present.

The council held the Hearing for Utility Disconnection. No one was present to discuss. Rick Hadley made the motion to approve those listed on the disconnection list be disconnected. Dirk Studebaker seconded the motion and all were in favor.

With no additional corrections to the May Minutes, Amy Brown made the motion to approve the minutes as written. Rick Hadley seconded the motion and all were in favor. Kevin Burk read the summary of claims presented for a total of \$185,633.47. Rick Hadley made the motion to approve the claims as presented. Amy Brown seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Kevin Burk addressed the need to get a price for updating the Microsoft Office Package. The office is running on the 2007 360 office currently. Kevin said that Business System Solutions would be around \$17/per month per user and would be a yearly contract. Kevin would send the council and email with full pricing numbers for us to look over before we make any decisions.

Attorney Mallory Redlin gave the council updates on various projects that her office is working on. First was the recording fee for easements are going to increase in charges in July, so they were going to get those filed before the end of June to save us money. Mallory also stated that they are working on checking the annexation and making sure that they are recorded properly for tax purposes. Mallory or Jud will also be bringing the resolution for the fund transfer for the WWT Project, to the June 20 meeting.

BF&S Engineer Dave Buck gave an update report on the street lighting project, and paving project as well as the WWT project, all are moving along well. BF&S Engineer Collin Dale was there to discuss the WWT project. They are getting the permit ready for IDEM. IDEM will be visiting the plant on Tuesday and Collin will plan on meeting with them then. Collin will get the application streamlined and to Lorean for review. Timeline is on schedule. Dave Buck reported on the paving project. Pavement went really well. Dave will get a punch list put together for council to look over as well. Dave Buck also informed council that Contract A paving would be out Wednesday and would be mobilizing to start work on Thursday. Dave is going to try to get Kerkhoff Avenue milled down and paved again, as well as patch work on 6th St. and Meadow St. Linda Brummet was present and wanted to add that the workers did a wonderful job on paving and it is much better than what we had, and just wanted the council to know how happy she was with the paving.

Town Marshal George Frantz gave his department report. He also updated the council on the Matt Fields "Vicious Dog" case from last meeting. George has verified the letters and the complaints against the dog have been withdrawn so George removed the label from the dog.

Town Administrator Ron Shoup reported to the council that the Hustler mower is not running, and he will be getting quotes. Ron is catching up on mowing. They are working on the volleyball court getting the drain pipe installed and will be an ongoing project for the next few months. Ron also reported that a new portable restroom company has been found, and has been delivered to the park for the season. The company can also be used for the street festival.

Utilities Operator Lorean Johnston updated on the WWT inspection, same issues came up and our WWT project will address all of these issues. Dave Buck will be talking to IDEM. Lorean stated that the storm drain has stopped leaking. Lorean is also working on a plan for the meter pits. He is going to work on the 40 that are in the worst condition and work on a plan to get all meter pits inspected at least 2 times a year. Lorean also asked the council to look into making an ordinance for meter pits, so if meter pit or antennae get broken, the owner gets a warning and then after that the owner would be responsible for replacement. Mallory said that she would let Jud know for the next meeting. Lorean asked about his candidates for the job. Kevin Burk made the motion to hire David Hall. Dirk Studebaker seconded the motion and all were in favor. Kevin asked if Lorean would contact David and make sure all others get notification as well. Lorean also updated council on a few projects he is working on. The leak at Thompson Park is a quick fix. It was a line broken last fall. Second was a roof leak at the WWT plant, he is still inspecting and getting quotes. Lorean also reported that he is looking into the meter pits in the alley behind the Bar and Rowe Trucking. Lorean also reported that mosquito spraying will begin soon.

Clerk Treasurer Treeva Sarles was not present, but Amy Brown gave an update on the tennis instructor Gerry Harrison's request to use Town Park for lessons. Kevin Burk made the motion to allow the lessons as long as we have proof of insurance. Doyle Allison seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Kevin Burk brought up Rowe Trucking and the fact that they have not met the contract on the Church St. project. Kevin would like to look into taking back the property. Council is worried that Rowe Truck is driving over the sidewalk putting kids at risk who use those sidewalks. Ron spoke up and said that Lorean and he talked with Larry Wilcroust and he is interested in talking with council about this project. Council stated they at least want a new sidewalk and fence along Church St. Mallory said she will look into easements along that property and what laws there would be with the fence on our easement. Ron asked if any of the council would be interested in meeting with Larry. Rick Hadley and Dirk Studebaker said they will be willing to meet with Larry and Amy Brown would be an alternate if one of the other councilmen could not make the meeting. Ron will set up the meeting and let council members know when.

With nothing else to come before the council, Rick Hadley made the motion to adjourn at 7:13 PM. Dirk Studebaker seconded the motion and all were in favor.

**TOWN COUNCIL MEETING**  
**TUESDAY, JUNE 20, 2017 6:00 PM**

Council President Kevin Burk called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM with all members present.

Clerk-Treasurer Treeva Sarles stated that a resident at 202 N Columbia water has been shut off for violating a pay agreement with the Town. Treeva explained all that has transpired with the account. The council unanimously agreed to keep the water off until the resident brings the pay agreement current.

Kevin Burk read the summary of claims presented for a total of \$389,085.99. Rick Hadley questioned a bill and it was explained it was for the portable restroom for the town park. With no other questions; Rick Hadley made the motion to approve the claims as presented. Dirk Studebaker seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Larry Wilcroust was present to discuss the property at the corner of Church and Oxford Streets. He did not present a new drawing. The wall is going in. The Council discussed the sidewalk along Church Street and agreed that that piece could wait until the town repaves the street. The fence along Church Street needs to go up. There will be an entrance along Church Street into the property. An agreement will be written up regarding the sidewalk and that all other work will be completed by August 1, 2017.

Attorney Jud Barce presented Ordinance 2017-0620 An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 53 of the Code of Ordinances of the Town of Otterbein to Add Section 53.12 relating to Meter Replacement cost. Dirk Studebaker made the motion to adopt Ordinance 2017-0620. Doyle Allison seconded the motion and all were in favor. He informed the council that BPI has not submitted the properly filled out forms for their tax-abatement compliance. The council tabled the topic until proper paperwork is submitted. Jud presented Resolution 2017-0620 A Resolution to Transfer Funds from the Wastewater Depreciation Fund to the Wastewater Treatment Construction Fund for wastewater treatment project expenses and to provide the terms of its reimbursement. Amy Brown made the motion to adopt Resolution 2017-0620. Rick Hadley seconded the motion and all were in favor.

BF&S Engineer Dave Buck presented Change Order 2 for the Main Street & Oxford Lighting Project. This was to improve pavement in with patching and wedge & level. The cost of the change order is \$21,225.65. Rick Hadley made the motion to approve the change order. Amy Brown seconded the motion and all were in favor. He announced that the lights should be going up the end of the week. He then presented the advertisement to bid the Wastewater Treatment Project. Amy Brown made the motion to approve the advertisement. Dirk Studebaker seconded the motion and all were in favor. Jud will get the advertisement to the papers. He informed the Council that Milestone came out and worked on the punch list. They discussed gravel at the end of drives. Kevin Burk made the motion that the town put some gravel at some of the driveways. Amy Brown seconded the motion and all were in favor. Lastly, he presented a revised map of the streets and their condition which is part of the Pazer study. He informed the Council that he worked with Ron and Treeva and he presented a list of projects that they will be getting pricing on for the Community Crossing Matching Grant program, so Treeva can get the grants written and submitted by the July 14th deadline. The Council liked the ideas presented and requested they continue with the grant application.

Town Marshal George Frantz presented 3 abatement issues. A resident was present to discuss the first one. This is in regards to property next to the Town Park owned by Denny Mills. The property is overgrown and needs to be cleaned up. The resident present explained how the property is behind her property and would like the Council to please address the issue. Town Marshal will send an abatement notice to the owner. The second abatement issue is in regards to the property at the corner of Main Street and US 52. Jud will talk to the owner's attorney and report back to the Council. The last one is 108 S Peterson St. George has issued notice to abate. The resident did not respond. The Council unanimously agreed for the Town to clean up the property and send the bill to both the resident and the owner on file with the County.

Town Administrator Ron Shoup explained the pavement ledge at Kerkhoff Avenue and Sixth Street. He requested permission to put gravel at the edge of the pavement to prevent the pavement from breaking off. Council unanimously agreed. He informed the Council that he will be working on the drainage to the volley ball court this week.

Clerk-Treasurer Treeva Sarles reminded those present that the county boundary meeting will be June 27, 2017 at the Town Hall at 7:00 PM; and that the July meetings are changed and will be July 11 and 25, 2017. She inquired for Utilities Operator, who was absent, if the engineer is to write the response letter to IDEM or if he can write the letter and have the engineer review. Kevin explained that he knows the council had previously stated the engineer needed to write responses to IDEM, but he felt that it would be good for Lorean to write it and have the engineer review. The Council unanimously agreed, but was very clear the letter is not to be sent until the engineer reviews. Treeva announced that the Indiana Brownsfield Program has selected the property at US52 and Main Street (The old Good Earth Market) for cleanup. They just need the town to acknowledge in writing that the town is aware they will be cleaning up the site with state funds. They are glad the property is getting cleaned up. Treeva will send in the acknowledgement. Lastly, she presented a request from the Street Festival Committee for donation. Kevin Burk made the motion the town donate \$300 to the Street Festival this year. Amy Brown seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Dirk Studebaker stated that mosquito spraying needs to begin. He also wanted to correct the last County Boundary meeting minutes to read he was present at the meeting.

With nothing else to come before the Council, Dirk Studebaker made the motion to adjourn at 8:09 PM. Rick Hadley seconded the motion and all were in favor.

## Greater Lafayette Tennis Association, INC

**Questions: Contact Gerry Harrison: phone, before 7:30 a.m. and after 9:00 p.m. at 765-427-1045.**

**E-mail is preferred: <[gah104@comcast.net](mailto:gah104@comcast.net) Other tennis activities are posted at: <http://lafayette.usta.com/>**

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(Cut along dotted line and mail in with your payment)

### REGISTRATION:

**2017 Tennis--Otterbein Town Park Courts**

**Monday and Wednesday—July 5 – July 31**

Check here: \_\_\_\_\_ Ages: 6 -12, 4:00 - 4:55 p.m.; \_\_\_\_\_ Teenagers and Adults, 5:00 - 5:55 p.m.

Name: first \_\_\_\_\_ last \_\_\_\_\_ age: \_\_\_\_ Birth date: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone#: \_\_\_\_\_

If a child, Parent Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ @ \_\_\_\_\_

Do you need a loaner tennis racquet? \_\_\_Yes \_\_\_No

Checks payable to: **GLTA, Inc.**

Send to: **GLTA, Inc., 104 Seneca Lane, West Lafayette, IN 47906**

\$50 for four weeks Enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ \$5 discount for each family member after the first

Prior tennis experience: \_\_\_\_\_

Health issues? \_\_\_\_\_