

INDIAN SPRINGS VILLAGE
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
November 15, 2016

The Indian Springs Village Town Council met Tuesday, November 15, 2016. Mayor Bell-Guercio called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. After the Pledge of Allegiance, the Town Clerk called the roll and all council members were present except Councilperson Harrington.

The minutes of November 7, 2016 were approved as written.

Deputy Shane Plyer reported that there have been several attempted break-in's in our area. He advised to be on the lookout for an older white Volvo with Jefferson county tag, the driver is a black male. The attempted house break-ins have been between 9:00-2:00 while people were at work. He asked if anyone sees anything to please call 911.

Chief Tyler reported calls are up due to brush fires along with false calls from reports of smelling smoke. The fire department is being frugal due to water shortage. He also reported the smoke alarm blitz in Wine Ridge was very successful.

Bell-Guercio recognized Todd Thompson of Gonzalez, Strength & Associates representing the Valleydale property owner, purchaser and broker. He presented maps of the Valleydale property and explained possible uses of proposed land deal. The property is located in Shelby County and the group wanted to know if Indian Springs Village would be interested in annexing the property into the Town as a B2 commercial business district property. After discussion, it was the consensus of the Council that they would positively entertain the application process.

Councilman Robins gave an update on the multi-purpose building. Change orders are being written for approval and most all decisions have been made with respect to hardware, paint, light fixtures, cabinets, water fountains, etc., except for the ramp. This will be addressed shortly.

Robins also addressed the issue of a recent complaint concerning firearms/hunting in ISV. He pointed out that making more laws when there are already state laws on the books is not effective. He will write an article for *The Village Voice* addressing current laws, safety and resident responsibility. He noted that residents who feel threatened or are aware of unlawful activity should call the Sheriff at 669-4181, the Oak Mountain State Park, 620-6200 and/or Game Wardens, 800-272-4263.

Councilman Elliott approached the Council concerning his interest in starting a "health clinic" in which basic CPR will be taught, disease education, and basic wellness awareness presented to all ISV residents, but in particular the population which is over 65. He pointed out that 65% of people over 65 have heart attacks, 50 % of victims will die at home and only 5% are saved after medical assistance arrives. Given these statistics it would be extremely helpful to have CPR training in order to help victims prior to the arrival of medical help. He hopes to kick off this project in January. The Council feels this would be a very worthwhile endeavor.

Councilman Stauss asked Robins to check on getting the yield sign back up at Caldwell and Hwy. 119.

Councilman Whatley presented the year end September financials and also the October financials which represent the first month of the 2017 year. Financials were reviewed and Whatley made a motion that September and October financials be accepted as presented. Elliott seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

Bell-Guercio reported that Councilperson Harrington had checked on the disposition of the "Amazon tax" and she found it is not location specific. The tax will be distributed with 50% going to the State, 25% to County and 25% to Municipalities. The Town Clerk is checking with the Revenue Department to make sure we are on the Municipality list since we do not collect sales tax, but will be entitled to the tax.

Bell-Guercio also reported that she has been in touch with Waste Pro and they said limb and debris cannot be on an individual basis. She is checking with the County to find out what there policy is on this service. Waste Pro will be submitting a description of options and price quotes for the Town.

The Zip Code petition was discussed and the idea to put an insert into *The Village Voice* that can be mailed in would support the success of the project.

Bell-Guercio adjourned the meeting at 8:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted:

Joan Downs, Town Clerk