

Earlham Public Safety Committee Meeting
March 14, 2019

The Earlham Public Safety Committee met on Thursday, March 14, 2019, at Earlham City Hall. Chairperson Payne called the meet to order at 7:21 p.m. and the following answered roll: Griswold, Payne, Swalla. Also present Mayor Lillie, Councilmember Fredericksen. Staff present: Clerk Hibbs.

1. Approve Agenda.

2. Discussion (and possible action) on new construction building inspections with Jason VanAusdale from Veenstra & Kimm
Jason VanAusdale introduced himself and explained his background. V&K can handle all building inspections as well as answer question on zoning, development, etc. There is no charge to the city since the builder pays for inspection. They can help us update our zoning ordinance so we would mirror the State Code. Mayor Lillie asked what benefit inspections would be for the city. VanAusdall stated it would protect our citizens on what is possible the biggest purchase of their life. Mayor Lillie added he believes our local builders are good builders. The inspections would help protect us from any builders coming into the area who might think they can get by with a lesser quality of work. Jason suggested we have 3 readings of the Building Department Services Agreement, to give builders/public the opportunity to ask questions. Readings will be in April, May & June, so we can begin inspections on July 1, 2019. Consensus of Committee is to recommend the building inspection services provided by Veenstra & Kim to the council.

3. Adjourn
Motion by Swalla, second by Griswold, to adjourn.
Roll: Ayes – unanimous. Motion passes.

Being there was no further business, meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Brant Payne, Chairperson

Attest: _____
Mary Sue Hibbs, Clerk/Treasurer