

County Council

September 18, 2017

The Sheriff 911 fund requested \$5,000 for overtime: granted

Tourism Commission requested \$300,000 from innkeepers tax: granted

Two staff positions open: Veterans Affairs & Human Resources. Applications accepted until January

Initial consideration of a new bond:

- Benches at 4H fairground.
- Lights at Deer Park
- Sheriff communication system overhaul, including two new towers. Estimated cost \$600,000

Nashville Parking and Public Facilities Development Corporation Meeting

Sept. 12

The Art Alliance requested Paint-A-Long Community Mural for rest room facility. Tabled

Town is purchasing new Shepard Hook, single globe light poles for Pat Riley Parking lot.

Village Green carriage house style lights installed Sept. 23.

A&E requested access to water for public events at Village Green. Discussion was negative to the idea.

Disappointment expressed in delayed opening of public play space at the Village Green.

Brown County Board of Commissioners

September 20, 2017

Assessor request \$85,000 for annual reassessment which covers 1/5 of properties in county giving county wide assessment every five years. Tabled

Clark requested renewal of leasing contract for voting booth maintenance. Approved

Human Resources still working on personnel manuals for Highway Dept. Sheriff, and operations.

Contract for bridge inspection signed. Expect 80% reimbursement from INDOT.

Construction closes 135 North. Also, signs being stolen.

Sweetwater Trail, Salt Creek, TC Steel and Crooked Creek finished.

Another study of septic issues purchased for \$3,300

Public safety towers discussed. Five year \$2 million bond proposed

A&E request funds for seasonal décor for courthouse. Approved

HB1006 addresses class 6 felonies and county jail overcrowding Statewide. Brown County has sufficient space at 112 cells.

Nashville Arts and Entertainment Commission

September 17, 2017

As a "Cultural Arts District" designation, Nashville received \$5,000 place making/ community involvement grant which must be used by June 2018.

The Pavilion Music series has not been well attended. Possible reasons are that it is hard to hear, hot weather, on Saturdays?

A&E voted to purchase the High Lonesome sculpture, by artist Michael Evans, for \$5,000. Town Council needs to approve funds from A&E Public Arts account. If additional A&E spending occurs this year they will have to dip into the Huffman Fund Grant held by the BCCF.

The Dancer sculpture is to be moved to Pat Riley parking lot. No foundation yet in place. No agreement as to how or who will move.

The BETA sculpture is to be moved, possibly to a school location. The Junior High has agreed.

Fairy House sculpture, by Mark Schmitt, located at Franklin and Jefferson is almost finished.

Abe Martin statue, Franklin and Jefferson Needs maintenance. Seventy Five approved for supplies.

Back Road Tours has 17 studios this year. On going through October.

Brown County Area Planning Commission

September 26

Planning Commission asked by Redevelopment Commission to work together on a Comprehensive Economic Plan. Tabled

Lawyer advised that one grant cannot be used by two entities. The Area Planning Commission owns the Comprehensive plan and the Redevelopment Commission owns the comprehensive plan.

Voted to allow RB zoning at 210 Jefferson for tourist guesthouse

National League News

August 2017

On the 97th Anniversary of the 19th Amendment, we are STILL Fighting for Equal Voting Rights

<http://lww.org/blog/97th-anniversary-19th-amendment-we-are-still-fighting-equal-voting-rights>

September 2017

Three Reasons to Celebrate National Voter Registration Day

1. Registering and voting is, hands-down, the BEST way for each of us to decide what happens in our country.
2. More than 300 Local League of Women Voters affiliates participated in voter registration in their communities on 9/26, along with more than 2,500 other participating partners nationwide!
3. Anybody can participate in National Voter Registration Day!

October 2017

Maybe Yes, Maybe No: Our Democracy Hangs in the Balance

On October 3, the Supreme Court heard the case of [Gill v. Whitford](#), the result of a partisan redistricting plan produced by Wisconsin Legislation in 2010. The League filed an amicus curiae brief in the case and hopes that the Court blocks partisan gerrymandering. "It could be a decision as important for democratic government as the "one person – one vote" decision that brought fundamental change to state legislatures and revolutionized American politics."

<http://lww.org/blog/maybe-yes-maybe-no-our-democracy-hangs-balance>

State League Calendar

Saturday, October 7, 2017 11:30 am - 3:30 pm EDT	Purdue University Northwest- Westville Campus	LWVIN Workshop -- Indiana North. DEMOCRACY IS NOT A SPECTATOR SPORT. Get together with your fellow Leaguers from the Calumet Area, Porter County, LaPorte County, Elkhart and South Bend Area locals for lunch, networking and presentations of a potpourri of topics. https://tinyurl.com/y785gbyv
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Thursday, October 12, 2017 10:00 am	State House 200 W. Washington St. Room 431 Indianapolis, Indiana	Committee hearing proposal to repeal Indiana's existing conceal carry permitting requirements. http://iga.in.gov/legislative/2017/committees/judiciary_and_public_policy BE SURE TO CONFIRM THAT SCHEDULE HAS NOT CHANGED BEFORE YOU GO
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For more information, including dates, times and membership dues, please call Brown County League of Women Voters President, Julie Winn at 812-988-62254. Your dues payment includes membership in the national, state and local leagues. Visit our website at www.lwvbrowncounty.org

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