MINUTES-REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING – November 15, 2021 – 6:00 p.m.

<u>PUBLIC PRESENT: Citizens</u>—Crystal Hempfling, Jeff & Laura Dixon, Cody & Jim Dixon, James Carter-VP Humane Society, Charles Moseby

COUNCIL PRESENT: Roger Fella, Brandon Kleeman, Bret Kleeman, Danny VanConey, Tina Gerlach

ABSENT: Stephen Poehlein, Marshal (Military Leave)

Called the regular meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. by Roger Fella, Board President

Agendas, Financials, minutes were distributed.

Approve and sign: Minutes, agenda, financial report.

MOTION by Brandon Kleeman SECONDED by Bret Kleeman

Discussion: None

MOTION carried: ayes 5; nays 0

Fire Department – Pudder Linne, Fire Chief, 0 runs for October. Upgraded some equipment. Purchased 800 feet 1 3/4 "hose, nozzles. Purchased new radios.

Utilities-Pudder Linne:

- 2019 Legislation was passed that all municipalities must complete water audits. These audits will cover water loss. It was supposed to be completed in 2020 but was not done. A certification is required to do these audits. April 2021 all was put on hold because of pandemic. Audits must complete annually but certified every two years. If we do not complete these audits we will not be able to obtain grants. Pudder has completed required classes for certification but we need to form a committee which would include 2 Board members, Clerk-Treasurer, and certified Water Operator. 2022 we will do our (Troy) audit and will require an engineering firm to review and certify results. One of the issues we need to correct is the water salesman. The water salesman does not have a meter. We will need to invest in a meter for water salesman. We will need to communicate with local fire departments and have agreements in place for them to use our hydrants. The agreement will state anytime they use our hydrants they will notify us so we can put this in our documentation for audits. We need to know if anyone from the board will volunteer to be on the committee. This committee will meet 2 times per year to review water loss audits. No volunteers from board so we will table until January 2022 meeting. We will complete ordinance and ask for volunteers. We currently have a water loss log that is maintained.
- Black top/asphalt was completed for 2021.
- We met with Perry County Commissioner, Tom Hauser, on Troy Ridge Rd future maintenance plan. There is plans to pave this road in 2022. They will start at Walnut St. where sign is, this is Olive Smallwood estate. Town limits goes up another approximately 1000 feet but they commissioner says this is our starting point, we will accept that.

Sewer: Nothing

Citizens: Reminder each citizen is allowed 5 minutes.

- Crystal Hempfling-I received letter on my green house and I have reattached the guttering and plan on tearing it down early 2022. Grass is mowed. Replaced underpinning on my mobile home. I received a letter to obtain a \$25 permit from Town of Troy for privacy fence she put up. There was some question about this letter and she was asked to bring a copy to office for verification since no one was aware of the letter. Once the green house is down, Crystal plans on putting up a portable car port and wanted to know if she needed a permit. She was told she only needs a permit for permanent construction, therefore, does not need a permit for portable carport.
- Jeff and Laura Dixon-we received letter via Robert Simpson, landowner, I am buying land on contract from him. Foundation not done because did not have money so it will be spring 2022 before we can get the foundation completed. I brought a letter to Utility Office with hand drawn blueprint for our plans for the house. We are trying to make you look good. Pudder told them they are not legal with the State of Indiana without tie downs. The Town requires permanent foundation which you stated will be done in spring of 2022 but the tie downs need to be done as soon as possible to meet State requirements. When we the Town decide if the permit is approved. Linda Crawford asked them if there were any safety issues with the open basement on the property. Jeff Dixon stated that is what the pallets were for and rail. We need to know if permit is approved. Roger Fella said he does not have a problem with it as long as you do what you said and are going to do-abide by ordinances. Jeff wanted to know whey they did not get the letter since they are buying on contract. Her name is on record at courthouse in Perry County. Linda Crawford stated the attorney could have sent them a copy but the property owner is responsible for all fines and liens if they were issued.
- Cody and Jim Dixon-Jim Dixon stated he will speak because he had a question why Cody Dixon got letter and Jim did not. My letter did not say what was wrong. I came up and spoke with Pudder who told me what was wrong with property (tall grass, mowing). I got a ticket from police officer in 2019 to move a lawn mower, got a 3rd fine for mower in yard. Letter was sent and you did a great job cleaning up. There is a phone pole that needs to be replaced. Pudder says it is AT&T pole. He disagrees with noise ordinance sign; it should be up the top of hill going towards Tell City. He says State did not tell Charlie to put the sign there Pudder disagrees, he says State did tell Charlie to put it there. He does not agree that his grandson, Cody Dixon, got a letter because he just rents from him. This is because the utilities are in Cody Dixon's name. he needs to call AT&T about pole.
- James Carter-VP of Humane Society- He is here to represent committee to hire animal control officer. He is on agenda to present a comprehensive plan to hire this officer in Perry County. January 1, 2022 I will be on Animal Control Board. Troy has caused many calls due to animal issues 91 cats and 84 dogs in Troy, in reality is now more than 200 cats. Some of these cats are diseased being trapped by residents out of frustration and carrying disease into other towns. Several organizations have offered to open shelters but have not happened. I am asking the Town officials to attend via live or virtual, Tell City Council Meeting November 16, 2021, 8:00am. Trying to get county residents to understand we have a facility but is currently closed. There is money available to open this shelter and have a manager. If the available funds are not used it will to back into General funds. Carter says his proposed plan will solve animal control issues. In June I started working with Greg Jarboe to fix roof on current animal control facility He (Greg Jarboe) got this completed. Another issue is there has never been a protocol for Perry County dispatch pertaining to animal control. If funds are approved they will be used for certification of animal handlers and security systems at facility.
- Charles Moseby-As far as the roof on my house, I have had 5 estimates and the cheapest one is \$25k. If I had \$25k I would have roof fixed. I do not have the money; my credit rating has gone down so much I cannot get a loan. I am at my wits end. I do not know how to get money. As far as clean up, I can clean up. As far as the house, not much I can do? Roger says well you cannot do it if you do not have money. Just keep the yard clean. If you don't have it, you don't have it. Just keep yard clean and see what happens. We appreciate you coming in.
- Jim Dixon-He came back to meeting and informed Board he checked the pole and says it is not AT&T pole but Troy pole. Pudder will check pole to verify.

Town Manager-Pudder Linne: Jeremy Ramsey property across from KKIL AKA old Fortwendel property. He has abandoned the idea of building duplexes near cemetery due to no road access. He now wants to build duplexes on Hwy 545 property. The property needs to be rezoned from single family to multifamily. He will need to give more detail about property such as right of way. Jeremy will need to have his attorney send letter to neighbors. He needs to be 10 feet off property lines. His first step is having attorney send letter.

Bret - Nothing.

Tina - Nothing.

Danny - Nothing.

Linda – Office is closed for Veteran's Day tomorrow November 11, 2021.

Correspondence: None.

NEW BUSINESS: NONE.

OLD BUSINESS: NONE.

ADJOURMENT: There being no further business, a motion was made by Brandon Kleeman and seconded by Bret Kleeman to adjourn the meeting at 6:57 p.m., CST. All in favor. Motion carried. The next meeting will be on December 15, 2021 at 6:00 p.m., CST.

Roger Fella, Board President

Brandon Kleeman, Board Vice President

Tina Gerlach, Board Member

Bret Kleeman, Board Member

Danny VanConey, Board Member

nda Crawford, Clerk-Treasurer