MINUTES-REGULAR

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

FEBRUARY 20, 2024-6:00 P.M. (Re-scheduled Meeting)

<u>PUBLIC PRESENT:</u> Mike Harmon (Perry County News), Bill Cotton, Kathy Hoffman, Jason Linne (TVFD)

COUNCIL & EMPLOYEES PRESENT: Jane Efinger-Hayden, Caron Crossley, Adam Hoffman, Bret Kleeman, Danny Vanconey, Jeff Everly, Devin Meunier, Linda Crawford, Nathan Freeman, Chris Goffinet (Town Attorney)

The public was asked to sign in and was advised the meeting was being recorded with the new Zoom camera.

The meeting began with the "Pledge of Allegiance".

Meeting called to order at 6:00 P.M. by Jane Efinger-Hayden, Board President

Approve and sign: Agenda, Minutes, financial Report

MOTION by Caron Crossley
SECONDED by Adam Hoffman

Discussion: None

MOTION carried: ayes 5; nays 0

NEW BUSINESS

A. Marshal Contract

MOTION by Caron Crossley

SECONDED by Adam Crossley

Discussion: Contract expires on December 31, 2024, subject to renewal, Bret Kleeman states he didn't get a copy of it. Jane states she and Caron, both sent him a copy on email and Linda also left him one in his box and in his folder.

MOTION carried: ayes 5; nays 0

B. Dale Poole WT3 Operator

MOTION by Adam Hoffman

SECONDED by Caron Crossley

Discussion: Dale has agreed to help us in our transition period and will be paid monthly.

MOTION carried: ayes 5; nays 0

C. IMPA Delegate-Jeff Everly

MOTION by Danny Vanconey

SECONDED by Caron Crossley

Discussion: None

MOTION carried: ayes 5; nays 0

D. ADA Coordinator Delegate-Caron Crossley

MOTION by Adam Hoffman **SECONDED** by Danny Vanconey

Discussion: Includes online classes she has agreed to complete.

MOTION carried: ayes 5; nays 0

E. Region 15 Delegate-Danny Vanconey

MOTION by Caron Crossley SECONDED by Adam Hoffman

Discussion: None

MOTION carried: ayes 5; nays 0

F. Troy Emergency Management/Dispatch Agreement- Delegate- Jason Linne (TVFD)

MOTION by Adam Hoffman SECONDED by Danny Vanconey

Discussion: None

MOTION carried: ayes 5; nays 0

G. Troy Volunteer Fire Department (TVFD) Agreement Trustee

Payment per Indiana Code \$9,100.00 per year to TVFD.

MOTION by Caron Crossley SECONDED by Adam Hoffman

Discussion: Linda states it comes in two payments directly to TVFD and the reimbursement for liability insurance comes to Town of Troy Fund.

MOTION carried: ayes 5; nays 0

H. TVFD Fireworks- Saturday June 29, 2024 by Jason Linne (Fire Chief)

MOTION by Danny Vanconey **SECONDED** by Adam Hoffman

Discussion: Jason Linne agreed to help with obtaining the fireworks and setting them off. We will look for donations to assist in cost of fireworks.

MOTION carried: ayes 5; nays 0

1. Advertise for Utility Employee

MOTION by Caron Crossley

SECONDED by Adam Hoffman

Discussion: Advertising for a general utility employee. PCDC and IMPA have offered to help get that information out to help fill the position as soon as possible.

MOTION carried: ayes 5; nays 0

Discussion: Jeff Everly has agreed to take the interim Utility Manager position.

J. Troy Community Association-need gaming license and 501c3 designation

Adam Hoffman has agreed to be the coordinator and get started on getting information together. Linda states as a town we cannot get a 501c3 but there are businesses in town that want to donate money but won't unless we have a 501c3. They are offering possible \$1000 per quarter. There has been discussion of holding bingos to raise Park funds which will require a gaming license.

K. **Tabled**: Troy Solid Waste Agreement (Chris Goffinet-update)

Chris states he needs to do more with this and Tell City has declined the agreement. Their attorney stated it isn't legal and he wants to get more information on that opinion. He states he will have everything by the next meeting. TABLED

L. Tabled: Cell Phone Reimbursement for employees

MOTION by Caron Crossley

SECONDED by Danny VanConey

Discussion: Linda Crawford and Jeff Everly on the list to have cell phone reimbursement.

MOTION carried: ayes 5; nays 0

M. Tabled: Employee Policies and Procedures Manual

Linda states we have the make-shift started and still working off the 2017 manual. This still needs updated to make some changes due to employment laws. **ONGOING.**

TVFD, Fire Department Report

- Fire Chief Jason Linne states there was one fire since the last meeting and they did receive their new air packs. There were 9 packs in total with 14 volunteers.
- TABLED: Troy/TVFD agreement updates (Chris Goffinet)

Chris states we have had an agreement with the Fire Dept but it cannot be located. He will have to draw up a new one. Linda states there is an Indiana Code to make sure Fire Dept contracts are up to date. She also states we have to coordinate with our liability insurance. Chris states he should have that drafted before the next meeting and there will be an Ordinance approving the

contract. It will be renewed each year. Linda states she will need to know if budget changes to are requested by July 1st for the budget cycle.

Utilities/Street: Jeff Everly

Electric-Jeff states they fixed a leaning utility pole on Sheridan Rd. on January 18th.

January 22^{nd,} they installed electrical services on Market St.

January 26th two trees were cut down to the stump. K & K was hired for this job on Market St. We share this bill with the property owner.

February 25^{th,} they cut down a tree that was 20 feet from the power lines.

Water- January 20th customer called without water. Lid was off meter. Customer hired a plumber who forgot to put the lid back on.

Sewer- Tell City Sewer Dept was called to assist with storm sewer on Harrison St and Market St. February 14th T.C. Sewer Dept also assisted with get a pumped unclogged and lifted out at the Consolidated Lift Station.

Streets-January 15th we had snow and depleted the salt pile. He went to Louisville and purchased 5 tons of salt.

January 28th customer called to report a large limb laying in the street of Sycamore. He brought the back hoe equipment to lift and dispose.

Training Updates-Devin Meunier has trainings scheduled. Spring Conference for water is March 12-14. He has linemen training May 6-10 and in August he will start his water classes to take the test in November.

Marshal

K-9 Officer - Nathan Freeman states there have been 18 calls for service since the last meeting. He had 16 traffic stops and 2 arrests and 4 K-9 call outs.

CITIZENS-INPUT/QUESTIONS

Mike Harmon- He is welcomed and is here to observe.

Bill Cotton inquired about the Handicapped Parking for residents and purchasing of a sign. Jeff informed him there is an Ordinance with the fee of \$50 or \$75(he doesn't have the Ordinance in front of him).

Jane Efinger-Hayden informs that the Town has purchased Solar Eclipse glasses for April 08, 2024 event. A total of 300 glasses were purchased. She states it will be put in the paper, on the website, on the bills, and on Facebook. They will be first come, first serve while supplies last. There will be 3 allowed per family and they must be a resident of Troy or be a utility customer of Troy. The glasses were purchased out of Parks Fund.

Bret Kleeman - none

Adam Hoffman requested a one way on Walnut St by the Post Office. He states two-way traffic is awful. Jeff suggested doing a no parking on one side of the street. Chris states he would have to draft an Ordinance. Adam states it would be difficult to get a fire truck through there. It is Walnut St between Hwy 545 and Spring St and just wants that block a one-way. It is agreed that they will take a few weeks to look at options. Jane states they will get together a list of residents on that block, send out a letter, and inform them they can come to the next meeting with questions/concerns. Linda Crawford asked Chris Goffinet if this is a good idea since Walnut is the main roadway from the Troy Ridge Road which leads to Tell City? Chris said we need to take that into consideration?

Danny Vanconey states he got with Josh Harris regarding Habitat for Humanity. Josh informed him he would be happy to work with Troy but Habitat for Humanity is currently booked about 2 years out. We will continue to follow up and pursue options for property in Troy.

Linda Crawford states the Salary Ordinance was signed last month but a few things were missed. She typed it up with corrections (the year and Federal Milage amount). She also states she had inquiries on solar fields. Solar Fields have been discussed for last two years for Troy and IMPA is assisting with this project.

She brought up the \$20,000 grant that was discussed at the last meeting. She sent in the application and spoke with The Department of Health. They informed her there were 16 applicant and only 3 will be accepted. She states if accepted then the money (\$20,000) would have to be used for the engineering of trails or bike trails.

Jeff Everly states there was a Volkswagen lawsuit and Indiana received \$48 million and IDEM chooses where the money goes. It is for diesel vehicles including replacing motors or vehicles. He is requesting to continue looking into this to replace the bucket truck which has had several issues. The cost would be 25% of cost. The board gave permission to continue looking into this. Board agreed for him to pursue possible money.

OLD BUSINESS: None

CORRESPONDENCE: None

Nathan Freeman introduced K-9 Bax to everyone.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, a MOTION was made by Adam Hoffman and SECONDED by Caron Crossley to adjourn the meeting at 6:43 P.M., CST. **The next Meeting will be March 13, 2024 at 6:00 P.M., CST.**

Jane Efinger-Hayden, Board President

Adam Hoffman, Board Member

Bret Kleeman, Board Member

Caron Crossley, Board Vice President

Danny Vanconey, Board Member

ATTEST: Clerk/Treasurer