## MINUTES-REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING – October 13, 2021 – 6:00 p.m.

PUBLIC PRESENT: Citizens—Jane Hayden, Helen Kleeman

COUNCIL PRESENT: Roger Fella, Brandon Kleeman, Bret Kleeman

**ABSENT:** Stephen Poehlein, Marshal, Danny VanConey, Tina Gerlach

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 3; nays 0

*Fire Department* – Pudder Linne, Fire Chief, 0 runs this month. No children's Halloween party due to COVID restrictions. Soup sale on November 7<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 am.

## Town Manager-Pudder Linne:

Utilities: Tom Hauser-Perry Co. Commissioner met with me pertaining to Troy Ridge Road. They have plans to update

2022. Will meet with Troy to determine starting, stopping point.

Sewer: Nothing

IN Local Technical Assistance Program Road (LTAP) plan has to be updated every two years and certified by a Professional Engineer (PE). We are due by December 1, 2021 for this update. We have quote from Midwestern Engineering for less than \$1000.00 to update 2017 & 2019 Pazer rating. Motion to approve cost for LTAP certified.

MOTION by Brandon Kleeman SECONDED by Bret Kleeman

Discussion: None

MOTION carried: ayes 3; nays 0

FEMA Mitigation Plan: Perry County training hazard mitigation plan. We need update and for me to go to training/class. Pudder has been attending this training. It is required to get any type of FEMA money in event of a major disaster such as flood, ice storm, earthquake, etc. This training is at annex building in Tell City.

Community Crossing Grant (CCMG) JH Rudolph blacktop of Sherlock RD will be completed by end of October. The trees have been removed as needed to proceed with this job.

Hwy 545-sidewalks-we have letter from Clay Carrie at INDOT that state of Indiana no longer participates in grants for sidewalks but if Town of Troy is still interested in getting the sidewalk redone this can be submitted as a local call project then submit to the State of Indiana. They would review to see if Troy would be a candidate for this project. INDOT designer could help with this paperwork. Employee Responsible Class (ERC) attend quarterly meeting if we decide to approach this project. Pudder stated he has called Clay Carrie and Pudder feels this would be the best way to get funded for sidewalk. We will need a motion to proceed with this project from Troy Town Council. This will help the water line project tremendously.

MOTION by Bret Kleeman

SECONDED by Brandon Kleeman

Discussion: None

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MOTION carried: ayes 3; nays 0

Mervis Metals-May 16, 2018 meeting minutes pertaining to original Mervis abatement (see attached). As stated by Mervis Manager the minutes said in summary Mervis will be low key, zero waste facility and all operations will be inside the building. Clean operation will be fenced around perimeter of building. Building is well insulated, one shift operation (days) no hazardous emissions, will have bag house and permits, no melting operations. This motion passed and abatement was received. Mervis has come to Town of Troy 3 times in 2021 about pursuing additional abatement. PCDC-Mervis is asking additional abatement-they originally stated they were moving their headquarters from Illinois to Indiana and would invest approximately \$4 million. They have recently come back and said they are asking for \$800k for upgraded equipment. In looking back on the original abatement they did not follow up on all items they agreed on as stated in the May 16,2018 minutes we just read. Alvin Evans and Erin Emerson agreed with our observation in addition Town of Troy has had several complaints on noise, dust and piles of debris in front of building. Pudder said after our recent visit to Mervis site he suggests we write a letter and ask them to formally address each of the items that was originally agreed on. Bret stated he feels we should address past promises and the current state of the building looks like a dump site. Brandon asked what the pile outside was? Pudder said it is product they hand sort and take inside to process. It is noisy on occasion. The original management that made the statement on how they would do business is no longer with the company but they represented the company at that time. They are wanting more high technical equipment purchased for operations now but they have not lived up to original abatement agreement. The Town Council recommends we send them a letter and ask them to address each item they have not followed through on in original abatement. We sent copy of minutes to Mervis and did not get response from local management.

Study for Electric rate with London Witte (LW) is ongoing and we received letter from IMPA our power provider that large increases are coming due to the government closing coal fired generation plants in the State of Illinois. We forwarded the proposed IMPA increase to LW for their calculations. We would like to have rate study back so we can get it closed by end of the year.

Adkin's property (horse barn) we discussed this last month. Tony Holliden approached us and wanted to know if horses would be allowed within Troy Town limits? Suggest we would allow domestic animal (horse) if they kept the area clean an orderly. The property is in a flood zone and not of much value. We will need ordinance to state horses allowed as long as properly maintained. Will contact Chris Goffinet to write new ordinance.

Terry and Sue Weyer requested a lock box for Christ of Ohio. Visitors have been leaving money at foot of Christ of Ohio statue. Terry and Sue pick it up and bring it to office. We have a separate bank account we can deposit money in for future maintenance of the park. Roger asked who would be responsible for picking up money out of lock box. Further inquiry is needed, table until next meeting.

Purchasing of rip rap gravel for dock area. We need to make sure we keep control of rip rap brought to dock area so we know which fund it comes out of. This will keep funds straight.

Employees and friends of Rick Fortwendel have requested to put a concrete ADA picnic table on Riverfront Park. According to Town Ordinance, May 1, 2016, all additional picnic table can be added with approval of Town of Troy Council. Jane Hayden stated we will need additional trash can in that area.

MOTION by Bret Kleeman SECONDED by Brandon Kleeman

Discussion: None

MOTION carried: ayes 3; nays 0

Trick or Treat hours are 5pm-8pm on October 31, 2021. **MOTION** by Brandon Kleeman SECONDED by Bret Kleeman

Discussion: None

MOTION carried: ayes 3; nays 0

2022 Holiday Schedule needs approval.

MOTION by Bret Kleeman

**SECONDED** by Brandon Kleeman

Discussion: None

MOTION carried: ayes 3; nays 0

Public Notice: Budget approval for 2022. Motion to approve budget as is:

MOTION by Bret Kleeman

SECONDED by Brandon Kleeman

Discussion: None

MOTION carried: ayes 3; nays 0

## Citizens:

Jane Hayden-need new flag for River Park and need correct size. Linda said she will order new & correct size flag for 40" pole (38').

Helen Kleeman-Hwy 545 Martin Industry has been very dusty. We will follow up with Alvin Evans on status of this business.

Roger Fella-Linne Diesel Repair property next to Mervis needs cleaned up. Send him a letter to clean up area.

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 7:07 p.m., CST. All in favor. Motion carried. The next meeting will be on November 10, 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

Linda Crawford, Clerk-Treasurer-Attest