

# MEETING MINUTES

## COMMON COUNCIL

Date: April 23, 2024

Time: 6:00 pm

Meeting called to order by: Council President Pam Brown

### IN ATTENDANCE

Council President Pam Brown, Vice-President, Amy LaOrange, Council Members Linda Allen, Marcus King, and Lee Trippett. Clerk Treasurer Rene'e Collier, Town Marshal Jim Bolen, Town Engineer Ken Smith and Terry LaOrange. Residents Present: Pam Hiner, David Kurth, Josh Reinhardt and Pat Poole, and Terry Allen *psb*

### Pledge of Allegiance recited

### Agenda Check

Agenda approved as read.

### Golf Cart Fees – Pam Brown

Ordinance passed in 2009. Motion to lower fee from \$25.00 to \$10.00 was made by CVP Amy LaOrange. Motion Seconded by CM Marcus King. Motion carried by a vote of 5 Ayes to 0 Nays. This change will take Effect January 2025.

### Chalmers Days- Pam Brown

The date for the Chalmer's Day Festivities has been set for September 14, 2024.

### REPORTS

Town Engineer Report - Ken Smith

- Consumer Confidence Report Completed.
- Got a sample Copy of Pay App for Leep Construction.
- A company is coming to fix the berm Wastewater Treatment Plant.
- We were not awarded the Community Crossings Grant but can apply again in July.

Superintendent Report- Doug Reed

- REMC to trench power behind 115 E Main Street at owner's expense.
- IMPA pole replacement began 04/22/2024.
- Crash at 43 and Walnut on 04/20/2024 REMC had to replace 4 poles and 2 transformers this should be covered by the driver's insurance. There is still one residence and 1 business without power.
- F&K will be here 05/13/2024 to connect East Street to W. Chestnut along SR 43 and while here will also complete concrete work/ Street Repairs and repair affected resident's yards and clean up park.

#### Clerk's Report- Rene'e Collier

- Timecards were presented to and approved by Council.
- Fund Report was presented to Council for review
- Delinquent payment report was presented to Council for review
- Claims for Bank 12 were presented. CVP Amy LaOrange made motion to approve Bank 12 claims for 04/23/2024 in the amount of \$1,792.00. Linda Allen seconded the motion . Motion carried by a vote of 5 Ayes to 0 Nays.
- Claims for Bank 1, 14, 15 for 04/23/2024 were presented. Motion to approve the claims in the amount of \$109496.46 was made by CVP LaOrange and seconded by CM Linda Allen. Motion passed by a vote of 5 Ayes to 0 Nays.
- Claims for 02/27/2024 Bank 1, 14, 15 in the amount of \$14,978.67 were presented to the council for review. Motion to approve was made by CVP LaOrange and seconded by CM Allen. Motion carried by a vote of 5 Ayes to 0 Nays.
- Lafayette Heating and Cooling proposal for the town hall was presented and council discussed that we should check out other alternatives due to the furnace being 20 years old and the AC being 22 years old and will need total replacement soon.
- Conflict of Interest and Nepotism forms were presented to each council member and signed for their employee folders.
- Reminded everyone that ALL original signed contracts, documents and legal paperwork is required to be in the files of the Clerk Treasurers office.

#### Town Marshal Report- Jim Bolen

- Cleaning up the town – Brush at 8<sup>th</sup> Street is taken care of and a couple residents have removed their inoperable cars.
- Businesses have been responding to CSX and INDOT demands to move tires, concrete and other trash, junk and debris off of their easements.
- Have to have warranty work done on the Police truck due to running board lights not working.

#### Town Park Report- Pam Hiner/David Kurth

- Softball Rec. League is putting in new batting cage.
- Water heater at the park concession stand quit working and needs replaced.
- Splash Pad needs repainted. Getting quotes on new rubberized paint.

#### Fire Dept. Report- Mike Hill

- No Report. Representative not present.

#### **Pending Projects**

- Cell Phone Booster and Marquee Sign – Marcus – Working with Skyline Design to get a sample sign set up. Cost will be around \$30,000.00. No update on the Cell Phone Booster placement. Contractor has other jobs and we delayed and got moved back on his schedule.

Park Pavilion- Linda Allen- Park Board is after a Grant from T-Mobile to help pay for the Splash Pad Pavilion. Also working with EDP to see if they can help with funding. The board has

accepted a bid from Alan George to run the water to the Pavilion. Marcus is working with Rodale Electric to get a quote on the Electrical work needed for the Splash Pad Pavilion.

### **Miscellaneous Business**

Pat Pool came to the meeting to report that the lights at the garage are way to bright and asked if we could maybe put in a sensor or put a shield on them. The Street and Utility Superintendent will work on this.

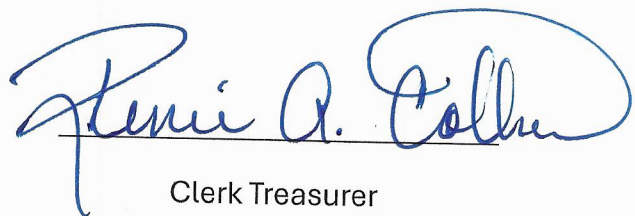
### **Motion to Adjourn**

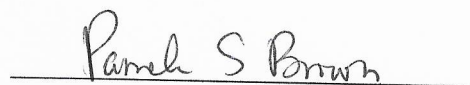
A Motion was made by CVP Amy LaOrange. CP Pam Brown seconded the motion which was passed by a vote of 5 ayes to 0 nays. Time of adjournment was 8:04 pm.

### **Next Meeting will be held**

May 28<sup>th</sup>, 2024 at 6:00 pm at the Town Hall.

Approval of Minutes for April 23, 2024

  
Clerk Treasurer

  
Council President