

TOWN OF CLEAR LAKE, INDIANA
REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

May 21, 2024

The regular meeting of the Town Council of Clear Lake, Indiana was held at the Town Hall on Tuesday May 21, 2024 at 7:00 PM. Present were Council Members Dan Rippe, Molly Weber, Brent Schlosser Bert Elliott and George Schenkel. Clerk/Treasurer Nathan Striker, Zoning Administrator Robert Hawley and Town Marshall Chris Emerick were also present. There were 5 residents that signed in and 1 on Zoom.

Council President Molly Weber called the meeting to order at 7:00PM starting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Zoom instructions were given by Robert Hawley.

Council members introduced themselves.

COUNCIL ACTIONS

Approval of meeting agenda: George Schenkel made a motion to accept agenda. Dan Rippe seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Approval of Minutes and Voucher

Approval of April minutes: Dan Rippe made a motion to accept. George Schenkel seconded. Motion passed.

Approval of April-May Voucher: They are as follows:

General Fund-	\$75,742.29
Sewer Fund-	\$33,809.66
Attorney-	\$23,109.03
Total Disbursements-	\$132,660.98

Dan Rippe made a motion to approve voucher register and warrant. George Schenkel seconded. Motion passed.

New Business

- a. ERI/GIS Funding-Dan Rippe presented the features and benefits of using ERI as our GIS partner. Funding of this project for is set at no more than 20K. Dan Rippe made a motion to approve ERI as our GIS vendor. Bert Elliott seconded. Motion passed.
- b. American Legal Codification Funding-Nathan Striker presented the estimate for American Legal publishing to codify our variances at no more than \$3K. Brent Schlosser made a motion to approve funding. George Schenkel seconded. Motion passed.
- c. Notice of Award for Hazenhurst Condo Project-Jessica Hile from ERI presented the plan for this project. The allocated budget is \$97K. ERI recommended the town accept a base of \$72,686.00

- from Parrish Excavating. Dan Rippe then made a motion to accept the recommendation to Parrish Excavating. Brent Schlosser seconded. Motion passed.
- d. Signer Authorization- Dan Rippe made a motion naming himself as the authorized signer for this project. Brent Schlosser seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Unfinished Business

- a. Lexipol Funding(Resolution 04-2024)-Moved to June meeting.
- b. Police Staffing-Brent Schlosser gave an update on the process. Brent Schlosser made a motion to open to the public for comment. George Schenkel seconded. Motion passed. Kathy Schenkel asked how many police officers will be hired. Brent replied it is still being determined. George Schenkel made a motion to close the public comment. Brent Schlosser seconded. Motion Passed. Brent Schlosser then made a motion to hire Jordon Trippe as a Deputy Marshall at \$25.00 an hour. George Schenkel seconded. Motion carried unanimously.
- c. Zachrich/Rumsey Grinder (Resolution 05-2024)- Robert Hawley presented the plan to move the grinder between the two cottages up to the road. Dan Rippe made a motion to accept the resolution. Bert Elliott seconded. Motion carried.

Monthly Reports

Financial Report- Nathan updated the Council on Treasurer activities. Reports are on file.

Nathan Striker made a request for training of no more than 1k. Brent Schlosser made a motion to approve. Dan Rippe seconded. Motion carried.

Marshal's Report- Chris Emerick presented the monthly police activity. Report is on file.

Chris Emerick asked for \$2500 to outfit the new deputy. Brent Schlosser made a motion not to exceed\$2500. Bert Elliott seconded. Motion carried.

Fire Report- Brent Schlosser presented the monthly fire activity. Report is on file.

Zoning Report- Robert Hawley gave an update on monthly zoning activities. Report is on file.

Superintendent Report- Guy Rodgers absent.

Bert Elliott- Bert gave a update on NIPSCO and the progress he has made with the poles.

Dan Rippe-Talked about the Road Committee and the flyer that has been created for our residents. Also, Dan updated the council on the performance of the new road between the 2 lakes and they are happy to report that the road is holding up well.

Robert Hawley gave a progress report on the Condo Lift Station in Guys, absence. Dan Rippe discussed that the town will be using our own equipment on this project to save money. Dan Rippe then made a motion to move forward with the Tristar quote. Brent Schlosser seconded the motion. Motion passed.

George Schenkel- George gave a brief introduction of the upcoming purchasing order system. He also highlighted the topics of the personnel meeting that was held on May 16th. (Healthcare options, purchase order system, handbook updates.)

Public Comment- Kathy Schenkel commented that the sides of the road look good. She also asked if we are going to put more seed down. Guy Rodgers answered that the town is continuing to be monitored.

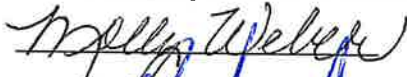
Bob Hill then mentioned that the Clear Lake Marina boat ramp is no longer open to the public and is planning on staying closed. Bob Hill also mentioned the concern of contractors blocking the streets.

George Schenkel made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Bert Elliott seconded. Motion carried.

Caroline Barth, CLTLC Executive Director mentioned that the Fun Day/Run Day is scheduled for July 13, events running 8:30am -12pm.

Chris Emerick also shared there will be a triathlon on July27.

The meeting adjourned at 7:50PM.



Molly Weber, Council President



Attest: Nathan Striker, Clerk/Treasurer