MINUTES OF MEETING OF TOWN COUNCIL TOWN OF BREMEN, INDIANA September 13, 2021

The Town Council of the Town of Bremen, Indiana, met in regular session at 4:30 p.m. on Monday, September 13, 2021, at the Bremen Town Hall pursuant to notice previously published. Council members James Leeper, Mike Leman and William Daily were present. Also present were Trend Weldy, Director of Operations; Jay Stoneburner, Superintendent of the Electric Department; Chief Brad Kile, Police Department; Austin Langdon, Superintendent of the Street Department; Matt Cunningham, Superintendent of the Wastewater Department; Keith Fraine Cemetery Sexton; Janet Anglemyer, Clerk-Treasurer; Ken Jones, Town Engineer; and Anthony Wagner, Town Attorney.

MINUTES: Mr. Daily made a motion to approve the minutes of the August 23, 2021 meeting, which was seconded by Mr. Leman and carried by a vote of 3 ayes, 0 nays.

PRIDE IN BREMEN: Mr. Leeper asked the Council to consider Resolution 2021-17, awarding the Pride in Bremen award to Maria Capes for the improvements made to her property at 209 North Montgomery Street in Bremen. Mr. Daily made a motion to approve Resolution 2021-17, which was seconded by Mr. Leman and carried by a vote of 3 ayes, 0 nays. Mr. Weldy told the Council that they would formally give the awards when the recipients could attend the meetings.

CLERK-TREASURER: Ms. Anglemyer submitted the docket of claims without amendment; Mr. Leman made a motion to approve the docket as submitted, which was seconded Mr. Daily and carried by a vote of 3 ayes, 0 nays. Ms. Anglemyer presented Ordinance 14-2021, regarding an amendment to the billing practices for metered sprinkler systems and explained the billing issue that Mr. Mikel had discovered recently. Mr. Daily made a motion to approve Ordinance 14-2021 on first reading, which was seconded by Mr. Leman and carried by a vote of 3 ayes, 0 nays. Ms. Anglemyer then asked the Council if they desired to extend the COVID-19 policies adopted earlier in the year as the current policy had expired on August 31, 2021. The Council discussed whether any changes need to be made to the policy. Mr. Daily made a motion to extend the COVID-19 policy from September 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021. Mr. Leman seconded the motion and it was approved by a vote of 3 ayes, 0 nays.

<u>PUBLIC HEARING:</u> Mr. Leman made a motion to close the regular meeting and open the public hearing on Ordinance 13-2021, the 2022 budget ordinance which was seconded by Mr. Daily and carried by a vote of 3 ayes, 0 nays. No public comments were offered for the second reading of Ordinance 13-2021. Mr. Leman made a motion to approve Ordinance 13-2021 on seconded reading, which was seconded by Mr. Daily and carried by a vote of 3 ayes, 0 nays. Mr. Leman then made a motion to close the public hearing and re-open the regular meeting, which was seconded by Mr. Daily and carried by a vote of 3 ayes, 0 nays.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: No public comments were offered.

TOWN ATTORNEY: Mr. Wagner had no new information to report.

DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS: Mr. Weldy told the Council of a recent demolition project that had difficulties in obtaining trash containers to haul away the debris. Mr. Leman asked Mr. Weldy about an issue with dropped recyclable materials. Mr. Weldy told the Council that he and members of JPR had met with E&B Paving regarding the status of their paving project and told the Council that they were still patching and that

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the finish work would not be completed until October 1, 2021. Mr. Weldy also told the Council that he had recently discovered a dead body while enforcing an ordinance, and that the Oktoberfest preparations were moving forward.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

Mr. Stoneburner submitted his report on behalf of the Electric Department.

Chief Kile invited the Council Members to attend the retirement party for Reserve Officer Penrose.

Mr. Langdon submitted his report on behalf of the Street Department.

Mr. Fraine submitted his report on behalf of the Cemetery Department.

Mr. Cunningham submitted his report on behalf of the Wastewater Department.

Mr. Daily made a motion to approve the Department Head Reports as submitted, which was seconded by Mr. Leman and carried by a vote of 3 ayes, 0 nays.

TOWN ENGINEER: Mr. Jones submitted change order number 4 for the North Center Street project in the amount of \$14,470.00. He explained that the costs were related to changes in connections for some properties, changes in elevations and the relocation of a fire hydrant. Mr. Daily made a motion to approve change order number 4, which was seconded by Mr. Leman and carried by a vote of 3 ayes, 0 nays. Mr. Jones then told the Council that he had two projects ready for quotes and bids from which he was seeking Council approval. He explained to the Council that the sanitary sewer extension on 106 would affect 5 homes and would be the Town's first low pressure sewer system. He said the current estimated cost was \$89,000.00, and the Council gave him permission to seek quotes for the project. Mr. Jones then explained to the Council that the South Jackson Street project would require certain water main improvements and drainage corrections at an estimated cost of \$295,984.00 without contingency. Mr. Leman made a motion to advertise the project for bids, which was seconded by Mr. Daily and carried by a vote of 3 ayes, 0 nays.

COUNCIL COMMENTS: Mr. Leman asked Mr. Weldy and Mr. Cunningham about an issue with the plumbing at a resident's home, and Mr. Weldy and Mr. Cunningham explained that it did not appear to be an issue on the Town's end and that they had been in contact with the resident's plumber.

ADJOURNMENT: Mr. Leman made a motion to adjourn the meeting, which was seconded by Mr. Daily and carried by a vote of 3 ayes, 0 nays.

ATTEST:

Janet M. Anglemyer,

Clerk-Treasurer, Town of Bremen

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