MINUTES OF MEETING OF TOWN COUNCIL TOWN OF BREMEN, INDIANA June 14, 2021

The Town Council of the Town of Bremen, Indiana, met in regular session at 4:30 p.m. on Monday, June 14, 2021, at the Bremen Town Hall pursuant to notice previously published. Council members James Leeper, Michael Leman and William Daily were present. Also present were Trend Weldy, Director of Operations; Jay Stoneburner, Superintendent of the Electric Department; Alex Mikel, Superintendent of the Water Department; Chief Brad Kile, Police Department; Austin Langdon, Superintendent of the Street Department; Chief Matt Neher, Fire Department; Matt Cunningham, Superintendent of the Wastewater Department; Ken Jones, Town Engineer; Janet Anglemyer, Clerk-Treasurer; and Anthony Wagner, Town Attorney.

MINUTES: Mr. Leman made a motion to approve the minutes of the May 24, 2021 meeting, which was seconded by Mr. Daily and carried by a vote of 3 ayes, 0 nays.

CLERK-TREASURER: Ms. Anglemyer submitted the docket of claims without amendment; Mr. Daily made a motion to approve the docket as submitted, which was seconded by Mr. Leman and carried by a vote of 3 ayes, 0 nays. Ms. Anglemyer then presented pay statements #9 and #10 for the Downtown Streetscape Project and explained that the statements contained payments for R. Yoder Construction in the amount of \$7,916.18 and \$118,270.03, Priority Project Resources in the amount of \$5,000.00, and the Troyer Group in the amount of \$1,102.00. Mr. Daily made a motion to authorize Mr. Leeper to execute the pay statements, which was seconded by Mr. Leman and carried by a vote of 3 ayes, 0 nays. Ms. Anglemyer then asked the Council to approve the street sweeping agreement with INDOT. The Council discussed the agreement briefly. Mr. Leman made a motion to approve the agreement, which was seconded by Mr. Daily and carried by a vote of 3 ayes, 0 nays. Ms. Anglemyer and Mr. Jones requested that the Council issue payment on the North Center Street project to HRP in the amount of \$173,966.10. Mr. Jones described the current status of the project. Mr. Leman made a motion to approve the manual payment to HRP in the amount of \$173,966.10, which was seconded by Mr. Daily and carried by a vote of 3 ayes, 0 nays. Ms. Anglemyer and Mr. Jones then presented Change Order #2 on the North Center Street project, and Mr. Jones explained in detail the special subgrade treatment required due to the poor condition of the asphalt and soil discovered during the project. He pointed out that the cost of \$27,260.05 was less than initially estimated when the conditions were discovered, but that an additional change order regarding the sidewalk would also be submitted in the future. Mr. Leman made a motion to approve Change Order #2 for the North Center Street project, which was seconded by Mr. Daily and carried by a vote of 3 ayes, 0 nays. Ms. Anglemyer informed the Council that she had received the State approval for the re-establishment of the CCD fund.

TOWN ATTORNEY: Mr. Wagner updated the Council regarding the Memorandum of Understanding with the Park Department and explained a minor revision that he had made regarding the police department. He also gave the Council an initial draft of a simple sign policy and questioned whether it should be expanded to apply to the Town website as well. The Council took the policy under advisement.

<u>PUBLIC COMMENT</u>: Sheila Reed appeared before the Council and showed them some designs for the new streetscape banners. The Council discussed the design and cost of the banners and asked her to proceed and order the banners with Mr. Weldy.

A member of the public asked whether traffic would be re-routed for the upcoming Fireman's Festival parade, and Chief Kile explained that traffic would be re-routed to US 20 and State Road 331. Another member of the public appeared and complained about the noise level coming from the Southwire facility on Copperfield Drive. Mr.

Weldy explained that he had some success working with Jason Nine to reduce the noice and that he would contact Mr. Nine again.

<u>DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS:</u> Mr. Weldy submitted his report, and presented three (3) CF-1 Forms from Mike's Custom Painting, Bremen Castings, Inc., and Southwire. Mr. Leeper signed the CF-1 Forms for each. Mr. Weldy also thanked Kent Koontz, Jay Stouder, and Kim Kincaid for painting the Depot sign on the East entrance to Town.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

Mr. Stoneburner submitted his report on behalf of the Electric Department and requested that the Council declare and inoperable generator found in his department storage building to be junk. Mr. Leman made a motion to declare the inoperable generator junk, which was seconded by Mr. Daily and carried by a vote of 3 ayes, 0 nays.

Mr. Mikel told the Council that he had advertised for the open position in his department, and thanked the Wastewater Department for helping to cover his department in the meantime. Mr. Mikel also submitted his report on behalf of the Water Department.

Chief Kile submitted his report on behalf of the Police Department, and told the Council that Officer Lopez would complete the academy training shortly.

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

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

Chief Neher submitted his report on behalf of the Fire Department.

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

TOWN ENGINEER: Mr. Jones presented the results of the wastewater facility evaluation to the Council, and explained that the report had considered renovation, replacement, and a middle ground solution. He recommended that the Town construction the AERO-MOD plan design after having Baker Tilly evaluate and report on the costs of the project. He explained the long-term saving benefits to the Town, but also cautioned that the Town could not delay the upgrades for much longer.

Mr. Jones then discussed the design of the new wastewater project in the proposed Digger Specialties industrial area to annexed by the Town, and explained that the estimate of the work would be approximately \$60,000.00 so the work could be quoted rather than bid. Mr. Jones also submitted the water filter evaluation, which ultimately recommended a new tower to be constructed at a cost of \$1.7 to \$1.9 million. The Council took the reports under advisement.

COUNCIL COMMENTS: No Council comments were offered.

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.

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Clerk-Treasurer, Town of Bremen

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