

**MINUTES OF MEETING OF TOWN COUNCIL
TOWN OF BREMEN, INDIANA
October 24, 2022**

The Town Council of the Town of Bremen, Indiana, met in regular session at 4:30 p.m. on Monday, October 24, 2022, at the Bremen Town Hall pursuant to notice previously published. Council members Mike Leman, William Daily, Rick Graverson and James Leeper were present. Also present were Trend Weldy, Director of Operations; Ben Wright, Superintendent of the Electric Department; Henry Aguayo, Superintendent of the Water Department; Austin Langdon, Superintendent of the Street Department; Chief Brad Kile, Police Department; Matt Cunningham, Superintendent of the Wastewater Department; Chief Matt Neher, Fire Department; Brian Main, Superintendent of the Park Department; Janet Anglemyer, Clerk-Treasurer; and Anthony Wagner, Town Attorney.

PRIDE IN BREMEN AWARD: Mr. Leman suggested that the Council revise the agenda to offer the Pride in Bremen Award immediately, and the other Council Members agreed. Mr. Leman read Resolution 2022-22, honoring Scott and Kim Lutz for their improvements to the real estate at 401 West Dewey Street in Bremen. Mr. Leeper made a motion to approve Resolution 2022-22, which was seconded by Mr. Graverson and carried by a vote of 4 ayes, 0 nays.

MINUTES: Mr. Graverson made a motion to approve the minutes of the October 11, 2022, meeting, as amended, which was seconded by Mr. Daily and carried by a vote of 4 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. Leeper and carried by a vote of 4 ayes, 0 nays. Ms. Anglemyer then presented Ordinance 11-2022, the 2023 Wage Ordinance, for first reading. Mr. Leeper made a motion to approve Ordinance 11-2022 on first reading, which was seconded by Mr. Daily and carried by a vote of 4 ayes, 0 nays.

TOWN ATTORNEY: Mr. Wagner told the Council that he had reviewed the contract provided by JPR for their services related to the wastewater plant project, and that he did not find any issues. He did review several items from the contract, and the Council tabled the matter in order to ask questions of Ken Jones.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Matt VanSoest appeared on behalf of Bremen Community Cares and gave the Council an update regarding the façade program grants for several downtown businesses. Mr. Leman asked Mr. VanSoest a question about the quote for the Police Department façade and Mr. VanSoest explained what the contractor had found.

Joe Blakley appeared and asked to know how much of an increase the town employees would receive in the new wage ordinance; Mr. Leman explained that it had been drafted as 8% to date.

DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS: Mr. Weldy submitted his report and gave the Council an update regarding the problems with trash pickup.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

Mr. Wright told the Council that the solar park should be operating by the end of November, and Mr. Weldy added that he would get a date for the site dedication shortly.

Mr. Aguayo had no new information to report on behalf of the Water Department.

Chief Kile told the Council that the new recruit was scheduled for testing on November 4, 2022.

Chief Neher had no new information to report on behalf of the Fire Department.

Mr. Langdon had no new information to report on behalf of the Street Department.

Mr. Cunningham had no new information to report on behalf of the Wastewater Department.

Mr. Main told the Council that he was in the middle of replacing the decking on the wetland bridge. Mr. Graverson asked if trees would be added to the Dog Park, and Mr. Main replied that they had been ordered for later this fall. Mr. Leman asked if the Conservation Club would be replacing their sign at the wetlands, and Mr. Main answered that the club was currently meeting to discuss the matter. Mr. Daily asked whether the new decking would be made from composite materials, and Mr. Main confirmed that was the case.

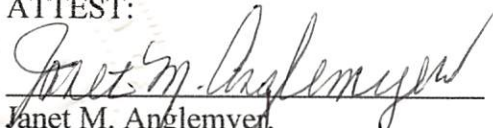
Mr. Leeper made a motion to approve the Department Head Reports, which was seconded by Mr. Graverson and carried by a vote of 4 ayes, 0 nays.


COUNCIL COMMENTS: Mr. Leeper reminded everyone that early voting would take place at the Pines from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on the next two Saturdays.

Mr. Graverson told everyone that four kittens had been dropped off at his home and lamented that the animal shelters were full.

ADJOURNMENT: Mr. Daily made a motion to adjourn the meeting, which was seconded by Mr. Leeper and carried by a vote of 4 ayes, 0 nays.

ATTEST:


Janet M. Anglemeyer,
Clerk-Treasurer, Town of Bremen


Michael Leman, President

