

**MINUTES OF MEETING OF TOWN COUNCIL  
TOWN OF BREMEN, INDIANA  
July 25, 2022**

The Town Council of the Town of Bremen, Indiana, met in regular session at 4:30 p.m. on Monday, July 25, 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, Foreman of the Electric Department; Alex Mikel, Superintendent of the Water Department; Chief Brad Kile, Police Department; Austin Langdon, Superintendent of the Street Department; Matt Cunningham, Superintendent of the Wastewater Department; Brian Main, Superintendent of the Park Department; Chief Matt Neher, Fire Department; Janet Anglemyer, Clerk-Treasurer; and Anthony Wagner, Town Attorney.

**MINUTES:** Mr. Graverson made a motion to approve the minutes of the July 11, 2022 meeting, 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. Graverson 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 informed the Council that she had promoted Jamie Soule from part-time to full-time utility clerk. She asked the Council to set another work session to bring the draft budget in line with maximum levy, and the Council decided to address the matter by email.

**PRIDE IN BREMEN AWARD:** Mr. Leman read Resolution 2022-15, honoring Brian and Stacey Marsh of 1375 West Grant Street for the improvements to their home. Mr. Leeper made a motion to approve Resolution 2022-15, which was seconded by Mr. Graverson and carried by a vote of 4 ayes, 0 nays. The Council Members thanked the Marsh family for appearing at the meeting.

**TOWN ATTORNEY:** Mr. Wagner told the Council that the proposed development on 3<sup>rd</sup> Road was being submitted for the READI Grant and that he would like to proceed with annexing the property before the grants were awarded. The Council asked him to proceed. He also told the Council that the developer had requested a letter of support for its grant application. Mr. Weldy explained that the initial application called for a \$40 million dollar project with an \$8 million dollar grant award and an \$8 million dollar match from Bremen, but that he and Mr. Wagner could not see how the Town could afford to match that amount. He also explained that he and the developer both believed that the grant would come in substantially lower, perhaps requiring a match of \$2 million dollars from the Town. Mr. Weldy estimated that \$2 million dollars, spread over three years, would be feasible for the Town. Mr. Wagner asked the Council for permission to draft the letter of support for Mr. Weldy to execute, and the Council agreed.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** No public comments were offered.

**DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS:** Mr. Weldy told the Council that he and Greg Miller had worked to submit a proposal for a READI grant to build pickleball courts. Mr. Weldy told the Council that the initial estimated cost was \$400,000.00, but that he believed that some of the work could be performed by the Town's departments to save money. He stated that the pickleball club would need to come up with a 20% match, which would be at least \$60,000.00. Mr. Weldy told the Council that the trash service had been improved since his recent meeting, and he submitted his report.





**DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:**

Mr. Wright told the Council that another apprentice had resigned, and he requested permission to amend the wage ordinance to increase pay levels by \$2.00 per hour for apprentice levels and \$5.00 per hour for journeymen levels. The Council asked him to proceed and to present a draft ordinance at a future meeting. Mr. Wright also submitted his report on behalf of the Electric Department.

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

Chief Kile told the Council that John Tice had submitted his resignation for the end of August. Chief Kile told the Council that the Commissioners had selected a veteran applicant to fill the previous open position, and requested that the applicant be hired as a first-class patrolman, while still in his probationary period, along with an additional three (3) days of vacation accrued after 60 days. Chief Kile told the Council that the applicant was a 10-year veteran of the Argos Police Department and that he was pleased to find an experienced officer. Mr. Leeper made a motion to hire Aaron Yeargin as a first-class patrolman, with an additional three (3) days of vacation accrued after 60 days, which was seconded by Mr. Daily and carried by a vote of 4 ayes, 0 nays. Chief Kile told the Council that he would advertise for Officer Tice's position in the department.

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

Mr. Langdon requested permission from the Council to promote Kevin Adams to a AA operator, and explained that Mr. Adams had met all the goals the department had set for him. Mr. Langdon asked that the promotion take effect July 18, 2022. Mr. Daily made a motion to promote Mr. Adams to AA operator, which was seconded by Mr. Graverson and carried by a vote of 4 ayes, 0 nays. Mr. Langdon told the Council that E&B Paving had pushed back its Community Crossings paving project to August 15, as it needed to finish several school projects before the school year began. He also reminded the Council that the 2023 Community Crossings application period was now open, and he and Ms. Anglemyer discussed the funds that were available for that application.

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

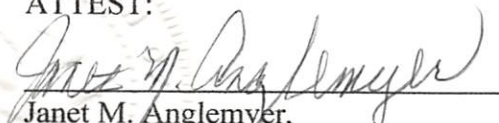
Mr. Main had no new information to report on behalf of the Park Department.


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:** No Council comments were offered.

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

ATTEST:

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

  
Michael Leman, President

