MINUTES OF MEETING OF TOWN COUNCIL TOWN OF BREMEN, INDIANA August 8, 2022

The Town Council of the Town of Bremen, Indiana, met in regular session at 4:30 p.m. on Monday, August 8, 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; Chief Brad Kile, Police Department; Austin Langdon, Superintendent of the Street Department; Matt Cunningham, Superintendent of the Wastewater Department; Keith Fraine, Cemetery Sexton; Chief Matt Neher, Fire Department; Ken Jones, Town Engineer; Janet Anglemyer, Clerk-Treasurer; and Anthony Wagner, Town Attorney.

MINUTES: Mr. Graverson made a motion to approve the minutes of the July 25, 2022 meeting, which was seconded by Mr. Daily and carried by a vote of 4 ayes, 0 nays.

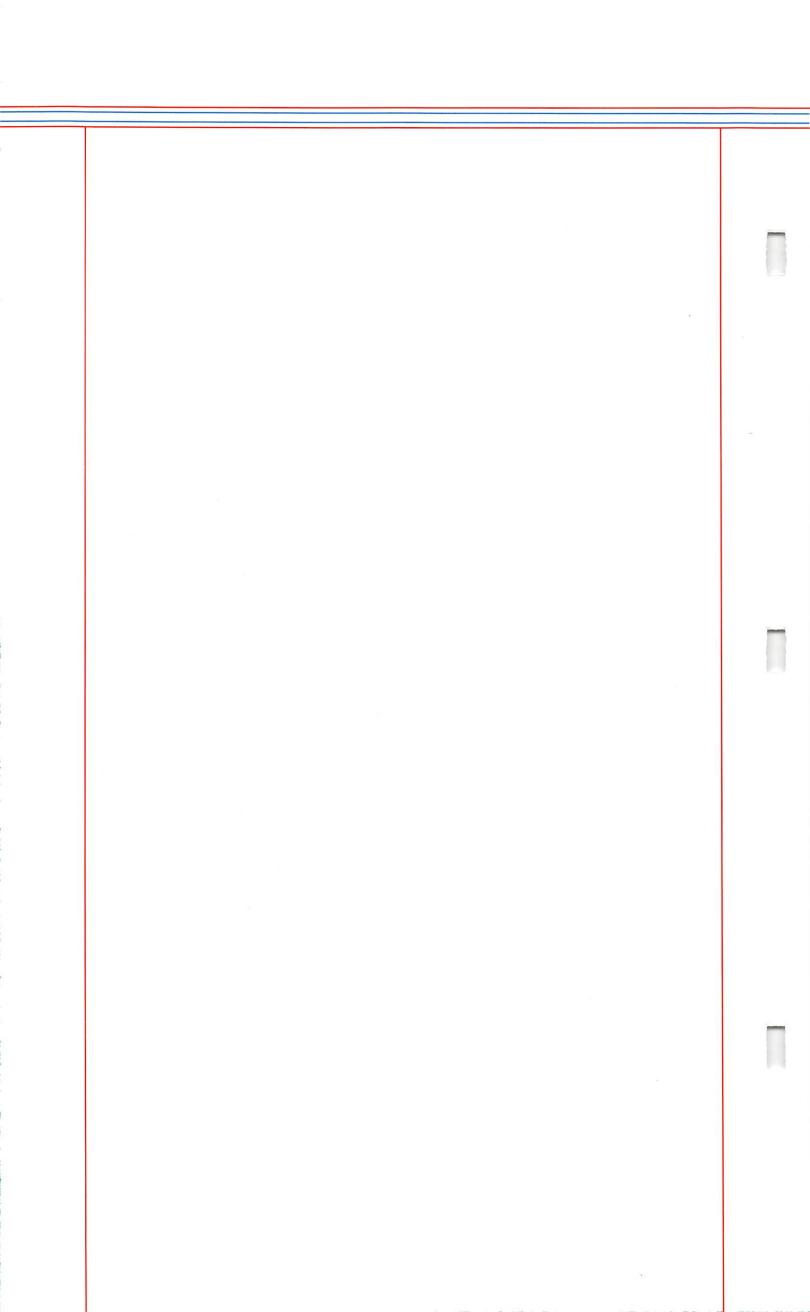
CLERK-TREASURER: Ms. Anglemyer submitted the docket of claims without amendment; Mr. Leeper made a motion to approve the docket as submitted, which was seconded by Mr. Graverson and carried by a vote of 4 ayes, 0 nays. Ms. Anglemyer then presented Resolution 2022-16, regarding electronic fund transfers and other online banking for payments, transfers, and deposits. Mr. Daily made a motion to approve Resolution 2022-16, which was seconded by Mr. Leeper and carried by a vote of 4 ayes, 0 nays. Ms. Anglemyer then presented Ordinance 7-2022, a revised 2022 wage ordinance to reflect changes to the Electric Department wages as well as the department's probationary foreman position. She explained that the ordinance would take effect on August 15 if the Council declared an emergency and passed it immediately. Mr. Daily asked for more time to review the ordinance. Mr. Leeper made a motion to approve Ordinance 7-2022 on first reading, which was seconded by Mr. Graverson and carried by a vote of 4 ayes, 0 nays. Ms. Anglemyer told the Council that she had sorted out the budget, and the Council members discussed the mechanics of hiring the requested Park assistant position.

TOWN ATTORNEY: Mr. Wagner told the Council that the final annexation petition for the 3rd Road project was not ready. He also gave the Council Members an update regarding the smoke shop that opened up at the corner of Bowen Avenue and Plymouth Street.

<u>PUBLIC COMMENTS:</u> Matt VanSoest appeared before the Council and gave an update regarding the downtown façade improvement program; he told the Council that the Gramm building renovation was in progress and that the awnings for the Police Department and Johnny's Barber Shop were scheduled for the future.

Barb Sauter asked a question regarding the penalties for tobacco violations and expressed concern that the Jackson Street project was reducing Fire Department parking.

DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS: Mr. Weldy submitted his report, and requested permission to execute two new READI grant letters on behalf of the Town's pickleball project and Marco Construction's completion of Phase 4 of the Rolling Meadows Subdivision. Mr. Leeper made a motion to authorize Mr. Weldy to execute the letters, which was seconded by Mr. Graverson and carried by a vote of 4 ayes, 0 nays.



DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

Mr. Wright requested permission to promote Dave Kapke to Class A Meter Technician, effective August 15, 2022. Mr. Daily made a motion to promote Mr. Kapke as requested, which was seconded by Mr. Leeper and carried by a vote of 4 ayes, 0 nays.

Chief Kile told the Council that the Department had sworn in Officer Yeargin earlier that day, and that the Department would be accepting applications through August 12, 2022 for the other open position.

Mr. Langdon submitted his report and informed the Council that the paving project had been pushed back until August 18, 2022.

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

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

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

TOWN ENGINEER: Mr. Jones submitted three (3) resolutions for the Council to consider regarding the American's With Disabilities Act. First, he presented Resolution 2022-17, regarding the adoption of the 2022 American's With Disabilities Act Transition Plan; Mr. Daily made a motion to approve Resolution 2022-17 as submitted, which was seconded by Mr. Leeper and carried by a vote of 4 ayes, 0 nays. Mr. Jones then presented Resolution 2022-18, regarding the adoption of the ADA coordinator and procedures; Mr. Leeper made a motion to approve Resolution 2022-18 as submitted, which was seconded by Mr. Graverson and carried by a vote of 4 ayes, 0 nays. Mr. Jones finally presented Resolution 2022-19, regarding the adoption of the ADA Accessibility Guidelines for the Town; Mr. Graverson made a motion to approve Resolution 2022-19 as submitted, which was seconded by Mr. Daily and carried by a vote of 4 ayes, 0 nays.

Mr. Jones then shared a proposed schedule for the Wastewater Treatment Plant project. He explained that the USDA was interested in funding the plant project, and recommended that the Interceptor project be paid through SRF funding. He discussed aspects of the proposed schedule, including a recommendation for a bond anticipation note in the amount of approximately \$700-800,000.000. Mr. Jones requested that the Council give him permission to start the project in September by working with Mr. Wagner and the Town's bond counsel on the bond anticipation note. The Council asked him to proceed. Ms. Anglemyer asked a question regarding the scoring criteria for the SRF and USDA funding, and Mr. Jones explained that the Town's notably low rates meant that the need for subsidization was lesser than other applicants.

Mr. Jones also requested permission to advertise for bids for the North Center Street/Shadyside Park storm water improvements project. The Council granted him to advertise for those bids.

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

