

**MINUTES OF MEETING OF TOWN COUNCIL
TOWN OF BREMEN, INDIANA
November 8, 2021**

The Town Council of the Town of Bremen, Indiana, met in regular session at 4:30 p.m. on Monday, November 8, 2021, at the Bremen Town Hall pursuant to notice previously published. Council members James Leeper, Mike Leman, Rick Graverson, 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; Carol Young, Deputy Clerk-Treasurer; and Anthony Wagner, Town Attorney.

MINUTES: Mr. Leman made a motion to approve the minutes of the October 25, 2021 meeting, which was seconded by Mr. Graverson and carried by a vote of 4 ayes, 0 nays.

CLERK-TREASURER: Ms. Young submitted the docket of claims without amendment; Mr. Leman made a motion to approve the docket as submitted, which was seconded Mr. Graverson and carried by a vote of 4 ayes, 0 nays. Ms. Young then asked Mr. Leeper to execute several pay applications for the State Road 106 sewer project that had been previously approved. Ms. Young also asked the Council to approve Resolution 2021-21, authorizing the Council President to sign INDOT documents in the future. Mr. Langdon spoke on behalf of the resolution. Mr. Leman made a motion to approve Resolution 2021-21, which was seconded by Mr. Daily and carried by a vote of 4 ayes, 0 nays.

TOWN ATTORNEY: Mr. Wagner gave the Council a brief update on the status of the annexation of the eastern industrial properties.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: James and Abigail Goodman, town residents, appeared before the Council and asked the Council to consider amending the town code regarding animals to permit possession of bald pythons. They explained that they had met with Mr. Weldy due to a complaint regarding the snakes in their home, and Mr. Weldy confirmed that the two issues presented were possession of constrictor snakes that were not permitted by the current code as well as the operation of a snake breeding business at the residential property. Mr. and Mrs. Goodman offered information regarding the safety and breeding of the snakes and specifically requested that snakes under eight (8) feet be allowed. Mr. Wagner asked whether these snakes could survive an Indiana winter, and Mr. Goodman confirmed that they could not. The Council discussed the request at length and took it under advisement. Mr. Wagner and Mr. Weldy suggested that the Goodmans seek an appropriately-zoned location for their snake breeding business to resolve both problems.

DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS: Mr. Weldy submitted his report and told the Council that Southwire's next expansion had increased to 200,000 square feet and that another expansion was under consideration. Mr. Weldy also told the Council that the canoe/kayak launch project was ready for bids.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

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

Mr. Mikel submitted his report and told the Council that his department had preformed two emergency main replacements since the last meeting.

Chief Kile submitted his report on behalf of the Police Department.

Mr. Langdon submitted his report on behalf of Street Department and informed the Council that the Town's Community Crossroads grant had been awarded in the amount of \$382,470.00. Mr. Leman asked him a question about the feasibility of parking on Woodies Lane.

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

Chief Neher submitted his report on behalf of the Fire Department and informed the Council that the department had added Juan Estrada as a new firefighter and placed him on a 6-month probation period.

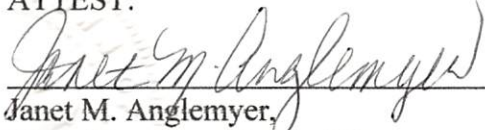
Mr. Leman made a motion to approve the Department Head Reports, which was seconded by Mr. Graverson and carried by a vote of 4 ayes, 0 nays.

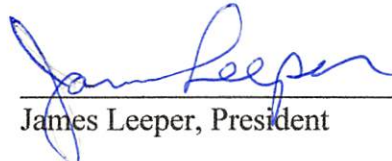
TOWN ENGINEER: Mr. Jones submitted his report.

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 4 ayes, 0 nays.

ATTEST:


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


James Leeper, President

