

**MINUTES OF MEETING OF TOWN COUNCIL
TOWN OF BREMEN, INDIANA
January 27, 2020**

The Town Council of the Town of Bremen, Indiana, met in regular session at 4:30 p.m. on Monday, January 27, 2020, at the Bremen Town Hall pursuant to notice previously published. Council members Bill Daily, Mike Leman, James Leeper and Rick Graverson were present. Also present were Trend Weldy, Director of Operations; Jay Stoneburner, Superintendent of the Electric Department; Chief Brad Kile, Police Department; Brian Main, Superintendent of the Park Department; Keith Fraine, Cemetery Sexton; Janet Anglemyer, Clerk-Treasurer; and Anthony Wagner, Town Attorney.

MINUTES: Mr. Leeper made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 13, 2020 meeting, which was seconded by Mr. Graverson 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.

TOWN ATTORNEY: Mr. Wagner advised the Council to improve its cyber security awareness, and updated the Council on the Solar Park annexation project and the easements for the Downtown Streetscape project.

PUBLIC COMMENT: January Morris appeared before the Council and thanked them for their help with a recent visitor to Marshall County.

Brian Teall appeared before the Council on behalf of the Bremen Public Schools school board, and asked the Council if it would participate in a joint meeting to discuss a new swimming pool. Matt VanSoest appeared with Mr. Teall and showed examples of other recent pool projects. Mr. Weldy asked Mr. Teall what time table he had planned for the project, and Mr. Teall estimated that it could be two to three years. The Council discussed the issue at length, and agreed to participate in a joint meeting with the school board on February 8, 2020 at 9:00 a.m.

Lisa Moren appeared on behalf of Bremen Family Eyecare and expressed concern about the sidewalks in front of the business' building during inclement weather. Mr. Morris added that the Town should treat uptown businesses the same as downtown businesses. Mr. Daily asked Ken Jones if heated sidewalks were a possibility for the Downtown Streetscape project, and Mr. Jones explained that now would be the time to consider adding that to the project. He also suggested that the Town could consider some other options, including discounted winter-time electric service for any property owner that installed the heated sidewalk.

DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS: Mr. Weldy submitted his report and described the work that he and Mr. Wagner had done on the easements for the Downtown Streetscape project. Mr. Weldy also presented a CF1 form for Bremtown Kitchens, which Mr. Daily signed.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

Mr. Stoneburner asked the Council to make a definitive statement of support for the IMPA Solar Park project. The Council Members discussed the project and expressed their support. Mr. Graverson made a motion to proceed with the first round of annexation, which was seconded by Mr. Leeper and carried by a vote of 4 ayes, 0 nays.

Chief Kile had no new information to report on behalf of the Police Department.

Mr. Main informed the Council that the remodeling of the restroom in Jaycee building was moving ahead, and that he appreciated the discussion regarding the community pool earlier in the meeting. Mr. Leeper asked Mr. Main if he anticipated any significant expenses for the pool in the near future. Mr. Main explained that it was too early to tell, but that he had also been told three years ago that the current liner should only last three to five more years.

Mr. Fraine informed the Council that Mr. Mikel had agreed to incorporate the cemetery into the Water Department's GPS system to make the department more sustainable.

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: Ken Jones appeared on behalf of JPR. Mr. Jones told the Council that a meeting had been scheduled with the Troyer Group and that some lane restrictions would be implemented on the downtown streets to examine certain sewer laterals. Mr. Jones also told the Council that a group would be meeting on the Alexander Street project next week and that the Community Crossroads grant had been awarded.

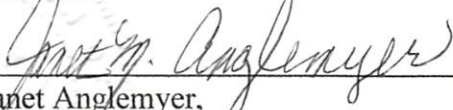
COUNCIL COMMENTS: Mr. Graverson thanked everyone present for signing his get-well card.

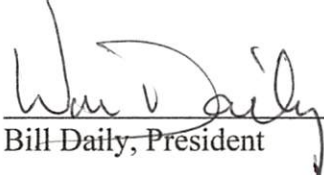
Mr. Daily told the Council that he had received three (3) requests from the Bremen Volunteer Fire Department to reserve Sunnyside Park for the Fireman's Festival, to allow the annual raffle at the Fireman's Festival, and to reserve Sunnyside Park for the annual stag event. Mr. Leeper made a motion to approve all three (3) requests, which was seconded by Mr. Graverson and carried by a vote of 4 ayes, 0 nays.

Mr. Daily then presented a letter from Bremen High School Principal, Bruce Jennings, inquiring if the Council had any interest in appointing two (2) high school students to participate in the Council activities. The Council discussed the request. Mr. Wagner recommended certain conditions for the program. Mr. Daily said that he would speak with Mr. Jennings to develop more information.

ADJOURNMENT: Mr. Leman 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 Anglemeyer,
Clerk-Treasurer, Town of Bremen


Bill Daily, President

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