MINUTES OF MEETING OF TOWN COUNCIL TOWN OF BREMEN, INDIANA October 28, 2024

The Town Council of the Town of Bremen, Indiana, met in regular session at 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, October 28, 2024, at the Bremen Town Hall pursuant to notice previously published. Council Members Michael Leman, William Daily, Bryan Miller, and Alex Mikel were present. Also present were Keith Fraine, Director of Operations; Janet Anglemyer, Clerk-Treasurer; Ben Wright, Superintendent of the Electric 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; Nate Lockwood, Cemetery Sexton; Eric Vance, Town Mechanic and Anthony Wagner, Town Attorney.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: The Council recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES: Mr. Daily made a motion to approve the minutes of the October 15, 2024, meeting, which was seconded by Mr. Mikel and carried by a vote of 4 ayes, 0 nays.

CLERK-TREASURER: Ms. Anglemyer submitted the docket of claims and noted that one payment had been listed to the wrong payee and would be re-issued in a new check. Mr. Mikel made a motion to approve the docket as amended, which was seconded by Mr. Miller and carried by a vote of 4 ayes, 0 nays. Ms. Anglemyer presented Ordinance 15-2024, the 2025 Wage Ordinance, for first reading only. Mr. Mikel suggested that the Street Superintendent pay be raised to the same level as the Park Superintendent, and also proposed increasing the stipend for the volunteer firefighters. Mr. Mikel told the other Council Members that he would talk to Chief Neher about the stipend levels for other departments in the area. Mr. Mikel made a motion to approve Ordinance 15-2024 on first reading, which was seconded by Mr. Miller and carried by a vote of 4 ayes, 0 nays. Ms. Anglemyer then presented Ordinance 16-2024, the Amended 2024 Wage Ordinance. Ms. Anglemyer asked the Council to declare an emergency and approve the ordinance on three readings so that it could begin as soon as possible. Mr. Miller made a motion to declare an emergency and approve Ordinance 16-2024 on three readings to be effective October 21, 2024, which was seconded by Mr. Daily and carried by a vote of 3 ayes, 0 nays, and 1 abstension (Mikel). Ms. Anglemyer submitted pay application number 2 for the Community Crossroads paving project in the amount of \$9,933.26, payable to Rieth Riley. Mr. Daily made a motion to approve pay application number 2 as submitted, which was seconded by Mr. Miller and carried by a vote of 4 ayes, 0 nays. Ms. Anglemyer told the Council that her office's OCRA audit would take place this week.

TOWN ATTORNEY: Mr. Wagner presented Ordinance 13-2024 regarding the Town curfew for second and third reading. Mr. Leman opened the floor for public comment, but no public comments were offered. Mr. Mikel made a motion to approve Ordinance 13-2024 on second and third reading, which was seconded by Mr. Miller and carried by a vote of 4 ayes, 0 nays. Mr. Wagner then presented Ordinance 10-2024, approving the recodification of the Town Ordinances, for second and third reading. Mr. Miller made a motion to approve Ordinance 10-2024 on second and third reading, which was seconded by Mr. Daily and carried by a vote of 4 ayes, 0 nays. Mr. Wagner suggested that the Council form a committee to consider changes to the current code on bicycles to address e-bikes and e-scooters as well.

NEW BUSINESS: No new business was brought before the Council.

OLD BUSINESS: No old business was brought before the Council.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: No public comments were made before the Council.

DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS: Mr. Fraine submitted his report.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

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

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

Mr. Langdon submitted his report on behalf of the Street Department.

Mr. Vance had no new information to report.

Mr. Cunningham told the Council that his department had completed its audit for pretreatment permits and presented four (4) amended pre-treatment permits for approval. Mr. Mikel made a motion to approve the amended permits as submitted, which was seconded by Mr. Daily and carried by a vote of 4 ayes, 0 nays.

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

Mr. Lockwood submitted his report on behalf of the Cemetery Department.

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

COUNCIL COMMENTS: Mr. Main had asked the police to monitor pedestrian traffic on Halloween to determine if any roads should be closed next year.

ADJOURNMENT: Mr. Mikel 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