## MINUTES OF MEETING OF TOWN COUNCIL TOWN OF BREMEN, INDIANA August 28, 2023

The Town Council of the Town of Bremen, Indiana, met in regular session at 3:30 p.m. on Monday, August 28, 2023, at the Bremen Town Hall pursuant to notice previously published. The Council recited the Pledge of Allegiance. Council members William Daily, Rick Graverson, Mike Leman and James Leeper were present. Also present were Keith Fraine, Director of Operations; Ben Wright, Superintendent of the Electric Department; Chief Brad Kile, Police Department; Austin Langdon, Superintendent of the Street Department; Brian Main, Superintendent of the Park 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 August 14, 2023 meeting, which was seconded by Mr. Leeper and carried by a vote of 4 ayes, 0 nays.

<u>CLERK-TREASURER</u>: Ms. Anglemyer submitted the docket of claims without amendment; Mr. Leman 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 then presented Ordinance 10-2023, the 2024 Budget Ordinance, for first reading. Mr. Leeper made a motion to approve Ordinance 10-2023 on first reading, which was seconded by Mr. Graverson and carried by a vote of 4 ayes, 0 nays.

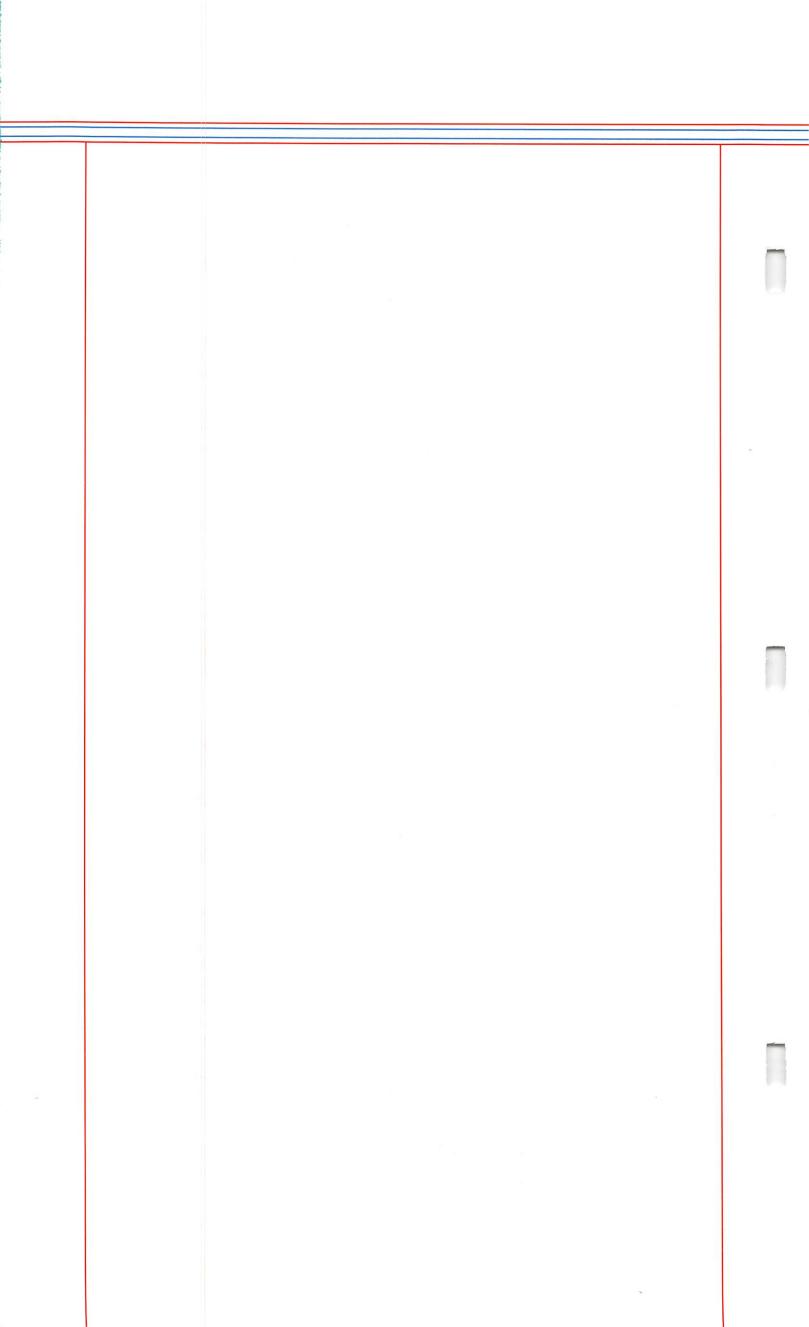
<u>TOWN ATTORNEY:</u> Mr. Wagner submitted a revised version of the Golf Cart Ordinance for review. Mr. Leman suggested that the Council wait to take any action until the next Park Board meeting. The Council discussed the ordinance and decided to take it up at the next meeting in September. Mr. Wagner told the Council that he was also working on the documents for the Interceptor/Wastewater plant project.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Mr. Graverson told the Council that the Elliott family was still investigating the costs for the plaque at the wetlands, and that he would keep in contact with the family regarding the process.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Linda Yoder and Marty Oosterbaan appeared on behalf of the Marshall County Crossroads committee to request budget support for a new entity called ONE Marshall County. They explained that the new entity would help with community development activities that were important to growing Marshall County and not part of the Marshall County Economic Development Corporation. Mr. Wagner asked if the request was a one-time contribution, and Ms. Yoder explained that it was an annual request for three years to begin. Mr. Wagner asked why the organization was not made part of the ounty economic development corporation with an expanded scope. Ms. Yoder replied that it was intended to be a distinct entity. Ms. Anglemyer asked for clarification that the requested funds would in addition to what the Town pays for the County economic development corporation, and Ms. Yoder confirmed that this was a separate request. The Council took the request under advisement.

**<u>DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS:</u>** Mr. Fraine presented the JPR contract for review of the standpipe condition. Mr. Leman made a motion to approve the agreement, which was seconded by Mr. Leeper and carried by a vote of 4 ayes, 0 nays.

Mr. Fraine then presented the Troyer Group's agreement for the pickleball court project. Jonathon Geels from the Troyer Group appeared before the Council and gave an explanation of the READI funding process. Scott Graybill appeared on behalf of



the Pickleball Club and explained that the club would be paying the Town for those fees. Mr. Wagner suggested terming the payment to the Troyer Group as an advance for the Pickleball Club. Mr. Leman made a motion to advance the funds on behalf of the Pickleball Club to the Troyer Group, which was seconded by Mr. Leeper and carried by a vote of 4 ayes, 0 nays. Mr. Geels added that the Troyer Group was part of a regional effort to bring more READI projects to Marshall County and encouraged the Council to think of bigger projects for the next round of funding.

Mr. Fraine told the Council that the Summer's End Festival had gone well, and he thanked all the volunteers and Town employees for their help. He also thanked the Council for the employee picnic and thanked all of the supporters and especially JPR for funding the event.

## **DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:**

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

Chief Kile told the Council that Officer Sahlhoff had started with the department and that recruit Martin would be starting on September 11, 2023.

Mr. Main told the Council that he was waiting to hear from Mike Reese from the Troyer Group on bidding for the aquatic center project.

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

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

**TOWN ENGINEER:** Mr. Jones told the Council that Haskins Underground had agreed to have Center Street opened by August 31, 2023 and the project completed by September 11, 2023. He told the Council that Haskins would need to request an extension for the project at the next meeting.

**COUNCIL COMMENTS:** Mr. Graverson asked Mr. Fraine to look into the schedule for watering of the flowerpots and Mr. Fraine said that he would talk to Chief Neher on how to do that.

Mr. Daily asked if any action should be taken on the Pfeiffer claims, and Mr. Wagner suggested that take place at a subsequent meeting.

Mr. Leman made a motion to grant permission to solicit bids for the aquatic center, which was seconded by Mr. Leeper and carried by a vote of 4 ayes, 0 nays.

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

ATTEST:

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Clerk-Treasurer, Town of Bremen

William Daily, President

