

**MINUTES OF MEETING OF TOWN COUNCIL
TOWN OF BREMEN, INDIANA
May 9, 2022**

The Town Council of the Town of Bremen, Indiana, met in regular session at 4:30 p.m. on Monday, May 9, 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; Alex Mikel, Superintendent of the Water Department; Chief Brad Kile, Police Department; Austin Langdon, Superintendent of the Street Department; Brian Main, Superintendent of the Park Department; Janet Anglemyer, Clerk-Treasurer; and Anthony Wagner, Town Attorney.

PUBLIC HEARING: Mr. Leman opened the public hearing scheduled for 4:30 p.m. regarding the Jackson Street improvement project. Shannon McLoed appeared and gave an update to the Council regarding the funding for the project, the projected costs, and the schedule for submitting the application. She told the Council that the application would be submitted by the end of May, but no later than June 15, 2022 and that the project should be bid by the late summer, but no later than September of 2022 with construction to begin in the spring of 2023. Mr. Leman opened the floor for public comments, and none were offered. Mr. Daily made a motion to close the public hearing, which was seconded by Mr. Leeper and carried by a vote of 4 ayes, 0 nays.

Mr. Leman then opened the regular meeting.

MINUTES: Mr. Graverson made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 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. Daily and carried by a vote of 4 ayes, 0 nays. Ms. Anglemyer also asked the Council if they had any questions regarding the memo she had delivered, but the Council Members had none.

TOWN ATTORNEY: Mr. Wagner submitted Resolution 2022-11, regarding the dedication of right-of-way from Rolling Meadows Development, LLC. He explained that Rolling Meadows was transferring its real estate to a new buyer, but the County Auditor was insisting on a dedication of the right-of-way before that transaction could close.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Ms. McLeod remained at the meeting to discuss project timelines. She told the Council that the Jackson Street project would begin in June, 2023, while the pool project needed to begin in December of 2022. She also told the Council that all construction would begin in 2023 and would need to be completed by 2024. Ms. McLeod stated that the Town could ask for a modification to its project, but Mr. Leman and Mr. Main added that the changes to the designs would cause more problems for the engineers lead time and agreed that the final design needed to be submitted in June or July. Ms. McLeod did confirm that additional funding for the project was allowed, since it had surpassed the original projected costs.

Sandy Muffley appeared and complained about the state of repairs in the Town's apartment center. She told the Council that the elevator was not working, the kitchen was filthy, and that some kitchen appliances were not working. She also stated that the carpeting was worn. Mr. Weldy reviewed the history of elevator repairs and reminded

the Council that he had a quote to replace the elevator altogether, which he recommended. Mr. Leman asked whether a budget for the apartments had ever been established, and Ms. Anglemeyer said that there was no budget as far as she was aware. Mr. Weldy said that an employee from the utility department was assigned the cleaning and repair tasks. Mr. Wagner encouraged the Council to get the ARPA plan approved so the elevator repairs could be scheduled.

DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS: Mr. Weldy submitted 15 different CF-1 forms for Mr. Leman to execute. Mr. Weldy also submitted Resolution 2022-9, regarding a tax abatement on new equipment for Indiana Carton. The Council discussed the application. Mr. Leeper made a motion to approve Resolution 2022-9, which was seconded by Mr. Graverson and carried by a vote of 4 ayes, 0 nays. Mr. Weldy then presented Resolution 2022-10, regarding a personal property tax abatement on another piece of equipment for Indiana Carton. The Council discussed this application as well. Mr. Graverson made a motion to approve Resolution 2022-10 as submitted, which was seconded by Mr. Daily and carried by a vote of 4 ayes, 0 nays.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

Mr. Wright had no new information to report to behalf of the Electric Department.

Mr. Mikel had no new information to report to behalf of the Water Department.

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

Mr. Main explained the engineer's timeline for the pool project, stating that the engineers would need approximately six (6) months for their work, but that they would prefer seven to nine (7 to 9) months. Mr. Graverson expressed support for the hybrid design. Mr. Wagner encouraged all involved to sort out the funding as soon as possible. Mr. Leeper made a motion to proceed with the engineering for the hybrid design with a maximum 5-foot depth for the pool, which was seconded by Mr. Graverson and carried by a vote of 4 ayes, 0 nays. Mr. Main reminded the Council that the kayak launch was now open and that a paddle would take place this next Saturday. He also added that Yoder's Hardware would be renting kayaks in the near future. A member of the public asked Mr. Main whether the pool would be closed for the construction of the new pool and Mr. Main explained that the pool would be open for the 2022 season, have a shortened 2023 season, and that open with the new facility in 2024.

Mr. Langdon submitted his report, and reminded the Council that the paving project would start on May 16.

Mr. Cunningham had no new information to report to behalf of the Wastewater Department.

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

TOWN ENGINEER: Mr. Jones submitted his report.

COUNCIL COMMENTS: Mr. Weldy reminded the Council that the Town trash days would take place on Friday and Saturday, but with shredding only on Friday.

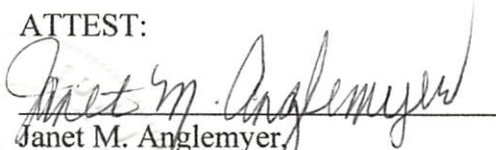
Mr. Graverson asked several questions about the prioritization of items on the draft ARPA Plan.

Mr. Daily expressed concern after witnessing trash blowing out of one of garbage trucks servicing the Town, and explained that the employee asked him to remind residents to bag their trash. Mr. Daily also asked that an executive session be scheduled for the following week.

Mr. Leman asked Ms. Anglemyer to provide the income and expenses for several years for the apartments, which Ms. Anglemyer agreed to provide.

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

