



## **MEETING MINUTES**

### **POSEYVILLE TOWN COUNCIL**

***Date of Meeting: Tuesday, February 9, 2021***

**CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order by Michael Baehl President at 5:30 PM.

**PRESENT:** Bruce C. Baker, Mike Baehl, Justin Collins, and Clerk/Treasurer Christy Foster

### **Virtual Meeting held due to the Pandemic Virus**

#### **APPROVAL OF PRIOR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

**motion made by Bruce Baker and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Justin Collins**

**Vote taken, Baker Yes, Baehl Yes, and Collins Yes**

**CLAIMS WERE PRESENTED** at Town Hall at 2:30 pm on February 9, 2021 late due to computer issues

A Motion was made by Justin Collins to approve the claims. Seconded by Bruce Baker.

**Vote taken, Baker Yes, Collins Yes, Baehl Yes**

**Officer appointed to represent the Town of Poseyville for Area Planning was Mike Baehl**

**Motion made by Bruce Baker 2<sup>nd</sup> by Justin Collins**

**Vote taken, Baker Yes, Collins Yes, Baehl Yes**

**Michael Baehl excepted**

**Officer appointed to represent the Town of Poseyville for Board of Zoning was Ron Fallowfield.**

**Motion made by Michael Baehl and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bruce Baker**

**Vote taken, Baker Yes, Collins Yes, Baehl Yes**

**Ron was not present but did except the appointment**

**THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS**, the meeting was adjourned. With a motion made by Justin Collins and 2nd by Bruce Baker the meeting was closed.

Respectfully submitted,

Christy Foster

Christy Foster, Clerk/Treasurer

**ATTEST:**

Michael Baehl

Michael Baehl, Council President

## **Resolution 2021-02-09-01 read only**

Andy Zeller was present to answer any questions and to explain the Grant and where we were at in the process. Approval date for grant will be April 15<sup>th</sup> if grant is approved money will be available sometime in May.

**Police Dept Report:** There was a Hiccup on the install of the new software but it has been fixed. Paperless tickets, documents, and criminal investigation will be at their fingertips going forward. Officer Carter will be training his officers on Wednesday evening on how to work the new report system.

**Community Center:** Michael Baehl, town employees, and Officer Carter cleaned out the basement area in the Community Center. Toys that officer Carter had for extra surprise bags was taken to the school as a donation to given to the students for good behavior.

**Utilities:** Jamie Hyatt reported on Well head protection Phase II. It is an every 5-year review of water to the public. It is a program to educate the public about water quality and safety. Mailing will start soon. If any question concerning this information, please call the Town Hall.

The mail system continues to be a problem. If you have not received your bill by the 12 or 13<sup>th</sup> of each month please contact the Utility office for your totals or another copy of the bill that can be picked up at the office. Late fees will continue to be applied. The Utility office encourages everyone to be aware bills are always due on the 23 of the month.

Also, if you have moved, gotten a new address such as a P.O. Box number, or gotten a new phone # please supply this new information to the Utility office .It is very important for them to have your correct contact information.

**Fire Dept:** Jamie Hyatt spoke on behalf of Fire Chief Ahrens. The radio in truck # 3 had not been working properly. When they went to repair the radio, the parts were no longer available. Ahrens reached out to VEI for a quote on this new equipment. Along with needed batteries and a hand-held radio.

A motion was made by Justin Collins to except the quote for equipment 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bruce Baker

**Vote taken, Baker Yes, Collins Yes, Baehl Yes**

**Street Department:** Justin Collins has researched the installation of LED lights for the street lights. He Made it clear that lights in this quote do not include the black poles that are on Main St. or at the Community Center.

The new LED lights would be a Cobra head style omitting white light instead of the current yellow light. It will brighten the streets and be less expensive. His quote is for 121 lights. Our current cost for lighting is 961.82.a-month quote provided shows estimated cost after new LED to be 298.04 a month. The cost to install all these lights is 49,894.19. Duke provided a 3-5-10 year plan if we took the 10 year plan it would be with interest 79,884.

Justin contacted First Bank and Crane credit Union. Rates were the same at 4.25% the difference was Crane was fixed up to including the 10-year loan but First Bank wanted the 10 year to be a variable rate. Crane



Credit Union sounds like the best for our money. Hoping to take the savings and apply it to the loan. Paying loan off ahead of time if possible.

Mike asked Justin if he knew if this was a gradual upgrade or a one-time project. Justin thinks once we agree to the project, they will get it all done at the same time, but will confirm. Mike was in agreement with the project and thanked Justin for all his work on this. Mike stated the new light will last longer, whiter light and pay off in 7-8 years was a good way to go. Old fixtures are not going to have replacement pairs in the future. The sooner we get this done less outages due to inferior parts. Bruce Thanked Justin for his work on this" Justin did a great job". Bruce told the council to have in the agreement an all-in stipulation so that they would bill us accordingly. Bruce also said that Main St. lights had their own contract separate from the 121 poles so they would not touch those in this new upgrade. He said the contract for them should be going out soon. At that time, we could entertain an upgrade for those to LED.

Justin verified again that Main St. lights were not in this new upgrade. He will get with Duke engineers to start the contract if the council agrees.

Motion was made by Bruce to get a hard bid and contract. Mike Baehl 2<sup>nd</sup>

**Vote taken, Baker Yes, Collins Yes, Baehl Yes**

Jamie Hyatt spoke about INDOT Community Crossing Grant. Bids for the road project Fund 2020-2 will be posted in the paper. The bid packages will be available February 16-17. If interested bid packages will be available at the Town Hall or can be mailed to those interested.

**Parks Dept:** Concrete slab where the old shelter was, will be broke up for the new shelter. With some limited down time for the street department, they will get this accomplished. This is in preparation for the new shelter this spring.

**Cemetery:** Donna Nash was representative for the cemetery board. Nothing to report

**Street Department:** Mike Baehl thanked the Town Workers for their good job on getting the streets taken care of. "With limited equipment these men are doing a great job".

**MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS** Christy Foster read the State Board of Accounts Annual Financial report letter of completion. Report will be posted in Wednesdays paper.

Casey Voelker was unable to attend but requested via request form to meet with Town council to discuss the old Town Hall for his potential new office. Board discussed the potential repairs and parking. Michael Baehl asked Christy to set an Appointment up with Mr. Voelker to look at the building.

**NEXT MEETING:**

The next meeting of the Poseyville Town Council for 2021 will be held **Tuesday, February 16, 2021** at 5:30 PM, This will be another Virtual meeting. This will be a OCRA public hearing concerning Phase III Small Business Grant

**Public Comments: NA**