



## **MEETING MINUTES**

### **POSEYVILLE TOWN COUNCIL**

***Date of Meeting: Tuesday, April 13, 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, as well as in person**

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

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

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

**CLAIMS WERE PRESENTED** at Town Hall at 9:30 am on April 13, 2021

Justin Collins had a question concerning Car Wash bill for officer Carter. Officer Carter responded to the question in concern. Carter had bought what was to be a deal and turned out not to be. He has repaid the town for car wash. Justin made the statement he feels that car should be hand washed or local car wash used.

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

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

**Public Comment:** no requests

**Police Dept Report:** Officer Carter reported his participation in Indiana Marshalls Association annual conference. This was attended by Officer Carter and Deputy Justin Rutledge. A few topics discussed were restraint technics, police officer liability, and Autism Spectrum awareness.

Officer Carter stated that standard operating procedures has been a mix match for years and they have just made it work. He would like to propose hiring Nexus Lexis to write SOP for the Town of Poseyville. This company is certified on national and state law. Lexus Nexis has given a ball park figure of \$1,000 for writing this for the town.

**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

Board asked that officer Carter have a concrete bid along with more information concerning program and or information on the company. Tabled till May meeting.

Officer Carter also wanted to remind everyone to keep standing water as clean as possible. This keeps mosquito habitats down.

Officer Carter would like to announce that on May 8<sup>th</sup> from 11-2pm he will be holding a golf cart inspection and new cart license event. It will be held at the Community Center. If this date does not work, please contact officer Carter for a different date. Some supplies will be available to purchase at time of inspection.

May 8<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm there will be a showing of "Sandlot" at the Community Center on the lawn. Please bring a lawn chair for this family event. Soft drinks and popcorn will be available for purchase at this event. Please bring your family for this community event.

**Utilities:** Mike Baehl announced the new Gas Tracker rates. Gas tracker is down for the next 3 months. Rate for January thru March was 9.63 plus base. New rate is 7.10 plus base. This is called a negative factor. Good news is it is down.

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

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

Jamie Hyatt reminded everyone of the Phase II of rate increase will occur on May 7<sup>th</sup> billing.

Jamie also asks the residence to please fill out a survey for their needs or wants for utility billing. Would you like the options for ACH, payments online, credit card payment, or an app on your phone. Please take the time to fill this out. There will be a link on the Town Facebook page, you can come in the office to fill out, or call us at the office and we can e-mail you the link. Thank you for doing the survey so we can serve you the best.

**Fire Dept:** Chief Ahrens was present and wanted to revisit the topic of training for the new fire fighters. Triad a training company was contacted. Triad is a group of fire fighters out of Evansville that puts on this training. Training is required by the state in extraction and in house fire fighting. Chief Ahrens hoping other local VFF would want to have training. This could assist in cost for all fire stations. Chief Ahrens will be reaching out this next month to surrounding Fire chiefs to see if there is any interest. Total cost is \$6,000. Bill was presented to the board.

Chief Ahrens updated board on resent repairs that were needed to the building and what has been completed. Repair list includes vent pipe flashing, men's urinal flusher, woman's bathroom leak, and down spout.

**Street Department: no report:** Received an e-mail from INDOT that finances for the Phase II Community Crossings Grant was now being sent to the finance department to disburse monies for the project. Trees have been removed for this project. Mike stated hopefully they will get started soon. Justin asked if the school had been notified on date for curbing since this was in a main bus route. Bruce said in the past they waited till school was out for this type of work to be done. Mike is to check with Joe Lupfer Construction to see if they have a date for the start of the curbing. Mike will then contact the school to relay information.



Justin Collins: made a report on the new street lights. Duke came out to check on number of poles and to verify poles. There were some poles we were being charged for that no longer existed and others we were not being charged for. So, in the end it was a wash. Should receive a quote in May.

Mike: Reminder to everyone it is mowing season and to please do not blow clippings in our streets. This causes drainage issue for our utility department. Thank you for your assistance.

### **Parks Dept**

Mike reported ball park is in full swing. New LED lights have been installed on the far field where the older girls play. Mike hopes this new lighting will be cost effective for the light bill.

Christy had no new news for the shelter project.

**Community Center:** Mike said council on aging has started back up and is well received. All participants, including his mother were thrilled to have it going again. Good to be with people.

**Cemetery:** Mike commented on how nice the cemetery was looking now that mowing has begun for the season. No other report

### **MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS**

Old Town Hall Building request for rent.: Christy had contacted 2 companies the first wanted \$700 just to come to give a bid. The board discussed the bid from healthy spaces to do mold remediation. Estimated cost was \$7,114.00 This bid included measures to keep water out that was causing the issue sump pump, dehumidifier, and drain. Questions asked, will this take a yearly maintenance after the initial amount? How much if so? There was a discussion and they are going to see about another company bid. Concern's liability, cost of up keep, sell, or rent They will revisit this next meeting. Christy is to contact Casey Voelker to let him know where the board is with the request to rent. Board would like to keep the business in town if feasible.

Town wide Yard Sale: The Boys Scout Troop 387 has been contacted. Due to Covid-19 they are not wanting to do the yard sale this year and are willing to give it up to another organization. Relay for Life has requested to pick this up this year and potentially years ahead. They voiced the concern of the date for the Yard Sale. Since it is so close to date concerns about time to organize. They will get with the office to let them know what date they can do it this year. More info to come. Office can be contacted to get updates or check the paper for updates.

OCRA Phase 3 Grant: notice was sent out that we would have verification on April 14<sup>th</sup> through a phone call if we were to receive monies this round. A press release will follow on April 15<sup>th</sup>.

Vender letter: Christy has sent out a letter to all venders requesting that invoices and statements be sent to a new e-mail address. Going forward this can be reviewed by all office staff in Christy's absents. Hopefully this will assist with part of the lost invoices due to mailing issues.

Invoices@poseyville.us

### **NEXT MEETING:**

The next meeting of the Poseyville Town Council for 2021 will be held **Tuesday May 11, 2021** at 5:30 PM, This will be a in person and virtual meeting.