

## MEETING MINUTES POSEYVILLE TOWN COUNCIL

Date of Meeting: Tuesday, January 11, 2022

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

Virtual Attendee's: Bruce Baker, Christy Foster and John Barton

In person Attendee's: list attached to minutes.

#### APPROVAL OF PRIOR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

No minutes available due to illness they will be approved in our February meeting.

CLAIMS WERE PRESENTED at Town Hall at 8:00 am on January 11, 2021

Motion was made to approve the claims by Mike Baehl and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bruce Baker

Roll Call Vote taken, Baker Yes, Collins Yes, Baehl Yes

**Public Comment**: Bruce thanked everyone for the thoughts and Prayers during his emergency surgery. Council Welcomed him back.

A Motion was brought on the floor to elect 2022 Council President. Bruce Baker nominated Mike Baehl to serve for the 2022 year

Discussion was held and Mike excepted the nomination.

Bruce baker made the motion to elect Mike Baehl for 2022 Town Council President. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Justin Collins

## SIGN IN SHEET

January 11, 2022

**Town Council Meeting** 

<u>Name</u>

Diana Powel (
Billye Robling
Austin Ahrens
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Christina Foster Clerk Treasurer

### Roll Call Vote taken, Baker Yes, Collins Yes, Baehl abstained

**Police Department:** Officer Carter had very little to report. He commented that he was having several complaints about burning trash in town. Officer Carter explained the Ordinance concerning burning trash in town.

Mike asked Officer Carter when the community Center Christmas tree would be hauled off. Officer Carter will address this tomorrow.

**Utility Dept**: no report from department. Mike commented on what a good job the guys did when we had our first snow. Salt was applied to roadways.

**Fire Dept:** Due to new members Austin Ahrens Fire Chief is requesting to turn out sets. Gloves and boots are good at this time.

A quote for turn out gear was presented and discussed. Pricing will hold till January 31, 2022.

This is to come out of there safety fund. No numbers available per Christy Foster till the close out of the year but the amount is the same as last year in fund.

# Bruce Baker made the motion to purchase 2 sets of turn out gear 2<sup>nd</sup> by Justin Collins Roll Call Vote taken, Baker Yes, Collins Yes, Mike Baehl Yes

Windows: were discussed. The windows are on order but will not be in for 28 weeks per contractor.

New tanker: truck was discussed. Austin has asked Derek Voegel to look into grants that are available.

Justin Collins had asked Christy to look into establishing a fund to place unused monies from the fire department each year. This money would be saved to purchase a new tanker truck. Christy contacted the SBOA. Christy was advised that a fund could not be established. She was then told to contact DLGF. DLGF advised that money could be transferred to the Rainy-Day Fund. This money if transferred would be held with in house accounting. It would not show the brake down only the lump sum in rainy day.

Christy reminded council that what money is left over goes to the general fund. That our general fund is not broke down into departments. We are just a small town. So, if we take what shows as unused money in the fire department, we are taking away money for the following years General Budget. We may not get our budget accepted if we do not have held over monies. The warning has been out that funds for budgeting would be less for the 2022 year due to Covid. Monies that we normally receive will be less. If we are diligent in keeping our monies within budget or best case saved, we can get our budget to operate approved. Christy stressed monies taken out will affect all departments.

Christy advised that she is currently working on year end, taxes and closing of grant. Busy time. Justin asks Christy if she had heard anything on the Sewer Grant from OCRA.. Christy said February was when the expectation of hearing something. Probably will not know at the next meeting.

Been having issues with getting the correct zoom id and password on our webpage. Billye Robling will reach out to web designer and see if she can get this fixed.

#### . NEXT MEETING:

The next meeting of the Poseyville Town Council for 2022 will be held **Tuesday February 8, 2022** at 5:30 PM, This will be a in person and virtual meeting.

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

Roll Call Vote taken, Baker Yes, Collins Yes, Baehl Yes

Respectfully submitted,

Christy Foster, Clerk/Treasurer

ATTEST:

Michael Baehl, Council President

Bruce Baker stated Public Safety money could go to the purchase of the tanker. Bruce spoke with Steve Baker Robb Township Trustee. Steve said they could possibly assist when the time comes to purchase. Possibly a down payment and pay back plan.

Board discussed the selling of the old tanker truck as monies that they could be used for purchase. Justin pointed out that the sooner they purchase new the more value the old tanker would have.

Christy explained the Resolution had to be clear if a transfer was done. Very detailed date it was to be taken and amount. Christy explained each year the amount could change with a new Resolution of Transfer.

Christy also reminded the board that it is their decision on the amount and how they wish to spend it. She is just gathering information that is requested. She is trying to keep them in the regulations and rules of the SBOA and DLGF budget requirements.

Justin asked Christy if there was a timeline for the transfer. Christy was not sure and will check and get back to them.

Bruce explained that it would need to be watched by the Fire Department not to go over their allotted budget. A new truck in today's market is \$350,000.00. It could be more with all the increases in costs.

Mike asked the question how much is this tanker truck used in the town limits. Justin had concerns if the engine 1 went down. Then they would be down another truck.

Mike would like to look into the new gear and see what is needed. They board agreed it needed to be looked into and come up with a plan.

Christy reminded council to be mindful of the amount of transfer they agree upon. She will gather information they asked her to get. Board will discuss this at the February meeting.

Street Dept: no report

Parks Dept: New shelter is up and looks great. Mike still working on getting scout project for concrete

Community Center: Community Center report of use was discussed. All was in agreement that it has defiantly been utilized by the public. Numbers of use are better than 2020 but still not near the number of people using as before Covid began.

Cemetery: no report

**Misc. Business**: Smithville Broad band was present represented by John Barton joining via Zoom. He was there to discuss any concerns that the town had about broad band coming through Poseyville. Insurance, contract, liability, and if the town got any stipends for any hook on, was discussed. Concerns for our streets was also brought up. The question was asked if they were boring or trenching, Mr. Barton said boring.

Mr. Barton assured council they were bonded and insured for this project. He would have the contract sent to Christy for their review from council lawyer William Bender. Mr. Barton did not think there would be any stipends.