



## **MEETING MINUTES**

### **POSEYVILLE TOWN COUNCIL**

***Date of Meeting: Tuesday August 9, 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 Rutledge Council Attorney William Bender and Clerk/Treasurer Christy Foster

### **Virtual Meeting held due to the Pandemic Virus, as well as in person**

**Virtual Attendee's:** Tim McDonald

**In person Attendee's:** list attached to minutes.

#### **APPROVAL OF PRIOR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES JULY 12, 2022**

**Motion was made to approve the minutes by Bruce Baker 2<sup>nd</sup> by Justin Rutledge**

**Roll Call Vote taken, Baker Yes, Justin Rutledge yes and Mike Baehl Yes**

#### **APPROVAL OF PRIOR TOWN COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES JUNE 28, 2022**

**Motion was made to approve the minutes by Bruce Baker 2<sup>nd</sup> by Justin Rutledge**

**Roll Call Vote taken, Baker Yes, Justin Rutledge yes and Mike Baehl Yes**

#### **APPROVAL OF PRIOR TOWN COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES JULY 19, 2022**

**Motion was made to approve the minutes by Justin Rutledge 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bruce Baker**

**Roll Call Vote taken, Baker Yes, Justin Rutledge yes and Mike Baehl Yes**

**CLAIMS WERE PRESENTED** at Town Hall at 12 pm on Aug 8, 2022

**Motion was made to approve the claims by Justin Rutledge and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bruce Baker**

**Roll Call Vote taken, Bruce Baker Yes, Justin Rutledge yes, and Mike Baehl Yes**

### **Public Comment**

Lana Elpers was complaining about being pulled over by a deputy Marshall with sirens and lights on her golf car. Lana admitted she was wrong for allowing her underage granddaughter to drive her golf cart but felt sirens and lights were not necessary. She was told it was a hundred dollar fine but he was letting her off with a warning. She has never been pulled over or given a ticket for any driving violation before. She was just warned this time but felt it was too much with lights and sirens.

Officer Carter thanked her for letting him know. Officer Carter also stated that the officer was in his legal rights to pull her over since he was just following the town Ordinance that states that no one under age of 18 can drive a golf cart.

Lana would like to see it changed to a licensed driver not 18 years of age since they can drive a car why not a golf cart. Bruce Baker said board would review Ordinance

Donna Nash: Also, would like to see the age changed on the golf carts. She mentioned a permitted driver as well because they can be accompanied by an adult. Mike Baehl said the board would consider this change but it would be a defined age not a permit driver.

Justin thanked the ladies for making the board aware.

Carter stated that there were restrictions to keep abuse down. It can become a Hazzard. We have to have perimeters to keep abuse down and accountability.

**Police Department:** Carter reminded everyone that school is in session. Keep in mind that the bus stop arm is not a suggestion. Kids dart in and around the bus and cars. Please beware.

There has been a door-to-door solicitor coming around. Please ask for green card that validates that they have registered with our police department. Do not share personal information. If the solicitors persist at your home. Call 911 or call police department they will be removed from your property.

Mike take this seriously and use caution when dealing with these solicitors.

**Utility Dept:** Land lease was explained by William Bender. Mike Baehl explained this was for the application of solids that are left after sewer is treated. We do not have the man power or equipment to take care of the solids. With this contract it will be applied in the fall which is a better time frame for the sewer department. It is an annual application.

**Motion was made by Justin Rutledge to accept contract as written with the stipulation that Joe Lupfer signs contract. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bruce Baker**

**Roll Call Vote taken, Bruce Baker Yes, Justin Rutledge yes, and Mike Baehl Yes**

Christy Foster told everyone that they would be getting a letter concerning the Utility Rate Tax that had been rescinded by the state. This letter will tell you the savings you will not be charged going forward. The state has asked that two mailings go out August and September after that no more letters of savings. Any questions regarding this letter call the Town Hall Utility Department.

Mike also let everyone know that the town is number 5 in the line for SRF money for the water department. Mike asked the council to approve Midwestern Engineering and Wilson group to start the engineering process. We will be getting money in the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter. We need to have drawings done before we are awarded any money. We can stop engineering at any time. If we do not get what is needed.

**Motion was made by Justin Rutledge to allow Midwestern Engineering and the Wilson group start the engineering 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bruce Baker**

**Roll Call Vote taken, Bruce Baker Yes, Justin Rutledge yes, and Mike Baehl Yes**

Mike wanted everyone to know that the town was flushing the hydrants. While your street hydrant is being flushed do not do laundry. The flushing can cause brown water. This is something they must do annually.

The town has been picked to be a pilot program for the nitrates occurring all over the state. There will be in the near future 24hour flushing for this project.

Bruce said State wants to be a success.

Mike also said that the OCRA grant is looking good for the wastewater department. The SRF feels it is a maintenance not necessity so we are low on their totem pole.

**Fire Dept:** Austin Ahrens discussed Fire Truck bid with council. The bid came in at \$468,280.00. Everyone agreed to accept the bid.

**Motion was made by Justin Rutledge to except the bid at \$468,280.00 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bruce Baker**

**Roll Call Vote taken, Bruce Baker Yes, Justin Rutledge yes, and Mike Baehl Yes**

Bruce reminded everyone we needed the contract signed for fire truck so we could proceed.



John Hancock brought a tanker very similar to the one we have in the works for board members to look at. Board agreed to look at it after the meeting. Thanked Mr. Hancock for bringing it over.

Mike Crawford spoke explaining the amount of donations that were collected over the years. He just wanted everyone to know. "We know we are asking for a lot of money and just want to make everyone aware of donations that have and will continue to be raised".

Mike said he saw Owensville at the fire tower the other day. It is good to see fire departments working together. We all help each other when the need arises.

**Street Dept:** Mike asked that everyone stop putting clippings on the street. It goes in our sewers and is causing issues. He will start following through with fine ordinance if this continues to be an issue.

Christy let the board know that the office had a couple of calls concerning limb pick up. Mike explained that on water tank road we are allowed to place limb and leaf debris. The town works with land owner and pushes limbs back and keeps it cleaned up for an entrance. Christy asked hours that debris could be dropped. Mike explained it use to be gated but someone tore the gate up. When repaired it is Tuesdays and Saturdays the gate is open. Also, someone did not want to get their vehicle muddy and just dropped a bunch of limbs at the entrance. When weather allows drying of the mud Vince will take our front loader down there and push debris back. The county maintains the lot. Limb debris is handled case by case.

**Parks Dept:** Baseball is over but fall ball is going on now. We also have k-2<sup>nd</sup> flag football out at the ball field. Nice that it is still being used at this time for multiple events.

**Community Center:** Farmers Market has rapped up for the year. Christy reported a good first year. We hope to grow again next year. Positive comments were had by all. Theresa Bratcher president of the board and Market Director told the board that we were in need of another board member. If they know anyone interested contact Christy at the Town Hall. Theresa also made comment that we already have several of the food venders signed up for next year. All and all it was a great first year. Christy invited everyone back next year.

Mike Thanked Christy, Theresa and the board for all their hard work to make this first year a success. Food trucks were great. Mike looks forward to another year for the Farmers Market.

**Cemetery:** mowing crew are working their tails off. Rain and heat have been an issue but they are keeping up. They are doing a great job.

**Misc. Business:** NA

**NEXT MEETING:**

The next meeting of the Poseyville Town Council for 2022 will be held **Tuesday September 13, 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 Justin Rutledge and 2nd by Bruce Baker the meeting was closed.

**Roll Call Vote taken, Bruce Baker Yes Justin Rutledge yes and Mike Baehl Yes**

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Christy Foster", written over a horizontal line.

Christy Foster, Clerk/Treasurer

**ATTEST:**

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Michael Baehl", written over a horizontal line.

Michael Baehl, Council President