



**MEETING MINUTES**  
**POSEYVILLE TOWN COUNCIL**  
**Date of Meeting: Tuesday July 11, 2023**

**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: Derek, Derick Wiggins, Mindy Borne**

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

**APPROVAL OF PRIOR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES June 13, 2023**

**Motion was made to approve minutes from June 13, 2023 by Justin Rutledge 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bruce Baker**

**Roll Call Vote taken, Baker Yes, and Mike Baehl Yes Justin was having virtual issues**

**CLAIMS WERE PRESENTED** at Town Hall at 12 pm on July 11, 2023

**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**

**BANK RECONCILEMENT**

**Motion was made to accept the Bank Reconciliation as presented by Justin Rutledge 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bruce Baker**

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

**Public Comment: NA**

**Amended Zoning Ordinance:** Mindy Borne presenting Area Plan Commission was present via Zoom for any questions concerning the purposed changes. Mindy explained the two Amended Ordinances. The first is addressing Complaint language which will keep the person with complaint anonymous to potential keep from any retaliation. Second Amended Zoning Ordinance reflects changes in fines and Penalties which will reflect the Indiana statute code. Board discussed the proposed changes and agreed to have a Public Hearing August 8<sup>th</sup> 2023

**Motion was made by Justin Rutledge to proceed with a hearing on August 8<sup>th</sup> 2023 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bruce Baker**

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

**Water Plant Nitrate Project Change Order:** SRF Billing/change order: Christy had received Bills from engineering company Midwestern for Huntingburg and Midwestern Engineering to be submitted to SRF for Payment. Change order was presented by Derick Wiggins to the board with detailed explanations for the need for the change. It is an increase in supply cost since the acceptance of their bid. The SRF team is aware

and is fine with the increase as long as the board is good with the change due to the increase in supply cost. Letters were received from Layne, Jeremy Farrar, and Midwestern engineers concerning this request.

The Board discussed this change order. Justin Rutledge feels that all the parties involved should have to bear the brunt of the expense since it was an error in all parties. The town made no errors in this it was the team hired to do the work. Justin feels since they made the error that the citizens of Poseyville should not have to carry this expense that it should be shared by parties that made the error.

Bruce asked: if they had included a cost of increase to the provider. Derick said: NO, charge reflects only the cost of the equipment. There was a detailed breakdown provided to Derick which shows no increase for the provider.

Mike explained: As Derick did that the bid has the change potential cost set in it to protect the town from any money exceeding from the initial cost. All jobs have this factored in. There will probably be more before the job is complete. Mike is concerned if we do not sign off this will cause unnecessary delays in the project. The men are on the job. We need this project finished as soon as possible.

Justin: I just feel if we do not use all the money, we have for project we can potentially cut water rates as discussed in earlier meetings.

Derick Wiggins Derick said he feels that his company did miss the date issue causing the problem but the other parties did share in this blame. Thus, he is willing to take the 25% responsibility for the error. Derick asked that the Town Council sign off on the change order. This will keep the work going.

The change order reflects two changes one is for rock and the other is for equipment. The issue was with the increase in cost for equipment.

**Motion was made by Bruce Baker to except the change order as read.2<sup>nd</sup> by Mike Baehl  
Roll Call Vote taken, Bruce Baker Yes, Justin Rutledge N, and Mike Baehl Yes**

**Police Department:** Officer Carter is on vacation.

**Utilities:** The work is proceeding on the new water plant nitrate addition.

Justin wanted to Thank Jeremy Farrar for his work on handling an issue with Mainstream crew taking water from our hydrant unauthorized. Mike said that BT Drilling did a great job. The cable company crossed our utilities over 80 times and only had on hit on a sewer which they repaired. That is great. That was a good team. Mike said that the guys have been extremely busy with a Gas Audit (which is required), locates, work orders, and the storm damage. He said this is putting them a little behind in limb pick up but they are trying to get this all taken care of.

Mike said that IDEM has new manager for our area and he and Jeremy are looking forward to a meet and greet meeting over lunch this week.

**Fire Dept:** Fire chief Mike Crawford presented a bid to the Town Council for the engine #3 pumper truck. Mike had placed an ad on several websites and Christy had placed an ad in the local paper posting the truck for sale. Mike had received one bid for this truck for the amount of \$44,000.00. Mike asked the council to except this offer. He thinks after his research that this value for the miles and condition this is a very fair price.



**A motion was made by Bruce Baker to sale fire truck engine #3 for \$44,000.00 and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Justin Rutledge  
Roll Call Vote taken, Bruce Baker Yes, Justin Rutledge Yes, and Mike Baehl Yes**

Mike said that he had talked to Wadesville Fire Department and they are willing to supply their truck when needed until our new truck is ready. Mike has also talked to Black Twp. They are willing to let us borrow their extra pumper until we get ours. They asked that we carry the insurance while we have procession. Insurance question a raised and Christy will check into this request to see if we can carry insurance on a vehicle we do not own.

Mike Crawford asked for permission to shut down the road for the Autumfest on Fletchall Street for a Fire Department water ball competition. Been quite a few years since we have had this. The board was glad to see it come back  
Amotion was made by Bruce Baker to close Fletchall St. for the Water ball competition 2<sup>nd</sup> by Justin Rutledge

**Street Dept. NA**

**Parks Dept: NA**

**Community Center:** Council on aging, Farmers Market is going on thru August, and rentals for family gatherings

**Cemetery: NA**

**Misc. Business:**

**NEXT MEETING:**

The next meeting of the Poseyville Town Council for 2022 will be held **Tuesday August 8, 2023** 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 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bruce Baker the meeting was closed.  
Roll Call Vote taken, Bruce Baker Yes Justin Rutledge yes and Mike Baehl Yes**

**ATTEST:**  
  
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Michael Baehl, Council President

Respectfully submitted,

  
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Christy Foster, Clerk/Treasurer