

## **POSEYVILLE TOWN COUNCIL**

### **MEETING MINUTES**

**Date of Meeting: September 10, 2024**

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by Council President Justin Rutledge at 5:33 PM.

#### **PRESENT**

Council President Justin Rutledge, Council Members Michael Baehl, Randall Rankin, and Clerk-Treasurer Jodie Rankin

#### **Virtual Attendees:**

Derick Voegel  
Derick Collins  
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#### **In-person Attendees:**

List retained (2)

#### **APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES**

Minutes were presented from the August 13, 2024, meeting for approval.

A motion to approve the August 13, 2024 Minutes was made by Mike Baehl, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Randy Rankin.

Roll Call Vote: Justin Rutledge (yes), Mike Baehl (yes), Randy Rankin (yes)

#### **CLAIMS DOCKET**

The Claims Docket was emailed to the council members before the meeting for review.

A motion to approve the Claim Docket was made by Randy Rankin, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mike Baehl.

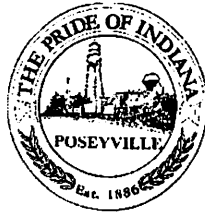
Roll Call Vote: Justin Rutledge (yes), Mike Baehl (yes), Randy Rankin (yes)

#### **PAYROLL ALLOWANCE DOCKET**

The Payroll Allowance Docket was emailed to the council members before the meeting for review.

A motion to approve the Payroll Allowance Docket was made by Randy Rankin, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mike Baehl.

Roll Call Vote: Justin Rutledge (yes), Mike Baehl (yes), Randy Rankin (yes)



### **BANK RECONCILIATION**

Bank reconciliations for August 2024 were presented to the Council for review at the meeting.

A motion to approve the Bank Reconciliation was made by Mike Baehl, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Randy Rankin.  
Roll Call Vote: Justin Rutledge (yes), Mike Baehl (yes), Randy Rankin (yes)

A request was submitted by Jodie Rankin, Clerk-Treasurer regarding approval to perform a one-time adjustment on all utility accounts to balance accounts from years of reoccurring adjustments being rolled from previous clerk treasurers. Mr. Mitch Wilson, SBOA Auditor, presented on August 26, 2024 that a new Clerk-Treasurer may make the one-time adjustments to move forward under her term.

A motion to approve the one-time adjustments to balance accounts was made by Randy Rankin, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mike Baehl.

Roll Call Vote: Justin Rutledge (yes), Mike Baehl (yes), Randy Rankin (yes)

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

### **POLICE DEPARTMENT**

Marshall Carter informed the Council that Nix Industrial has the trailer and will continue to prepare it for the speed sign. No action is required.

Marshall Carter also wanted to inform the Council that we may have children on town premises during the Hide From a Cop event during Halloween. The Clerk-Treasurer will contact an insurance agent for a participant waiver. No action is required.

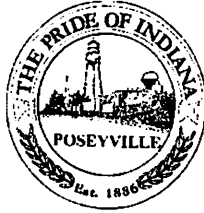
### **UTILITY DEPARTMENTS**

President Rutledge informed everyone that the water tower project has begun. It has been drained and will be for the next 60 days. That is why the fire hydrant valves are open: the well water runs 24-7, and the valves are there to relieve the pressure. The fire department has been notified, along with extra patrols from the police department.

We are also 30 days away from completing the water filtration nitrate plant. When the project is completed, insurance coverage will need to be updated.

SRF payment request was received from Derick Wiggins for the Town of Poseyville to be reimbursed for paying the equipment purchased from Hach Company.

Town of Poseyville \$5,548.00



Mike Baehl motioned to accept the payment request for \$5,548.00 to the Town of Poseyville, 2nd by Randy Rankin.

Roll Call Vote: Justin Rutledge (yes), Mike Baehl (yes), Randy Rankin (yes)

Diana Powell provided the Council with the new gas tracker rates. A motion was made by Mike Baehl to accept the new gas tracker rates as presented, 2nd by Randy Rankin.

Roll Call Vote: Justin Rutledge (yes), Mike Baehl (yes), Randy Rankin (yes)

### **STREET DEPARTMENTS**

None

### **FIRE DEPARTMENT**

President Rutledge wanted to clarify a misunderstanding from the previous month's meeting regarding the election of a new fire chief for 2025. The process remains the same. The membership holds a vote, and the recommendation is brought to the Council for approval as it has been done in the past. The idea is to open communication with the new prospective chief. The hope is to have the chief pick his/her supporting cabinet.

The Council received two quotes for concrete work to be completed at the Fire Department and Community Center.

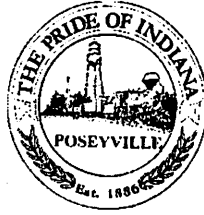
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| Hoehn Concrete Inc.                           |              |
| Poseyville Fire Station                       | \$81,600.00* |
| *An extra \$3200.00 to complete in two pours. |              |
| Poseyville Community Center                   | \$13,500.00  |
| Kihn Concrete Construction                    |              |
| Poseyville Fire Station                       | \$61,116.00  |
| Poseyville Community Center                   | \$21,000.00  |

Councilman Rankin asked if we could split the award and allow one to do the fire station and one to do the community center. After much discussion, President Rutledge recommended that we table the item until the Clerk-Treasurer has time to review the available funds. Mike Baehl motioned to table the quotes until the next meeting, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Randy Rankin.

Roll Call Vote: Justin Rutledge (yes), Mike Baehl (yes), Randy Rankin (yes)

### **PARKS DEPARTMENT**

None



### **COMMUNITY CENTER**

Randy Rankin has been contacting various fire protection services to provide quotes on fire extinguishers, hood inspection and 12 year hood inspection. The following summary was provided.

|                           | Yearly Inspections |
|---------------------------|--------------------|
| BCS Fire and Security     | \$706.00           |
| Koorsen Fire and Security | \$808.00           |
| Tri-State Fire Protection | \$432.00           |

Councilman Rankin discussed with the Council the need for the hood filter cleaning and flue inspection. After much discussion, Randy will speak with some vendors about providing this service at the community center and report back in October.

Mike Baehl made a motion to accept the quote from Tri-State Fire Protection, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Randy Rankin.

Roll Call Vote: Justin Rutledge (yes), Mike Baehl (yes), Randy Rankin (yes)

### **CEMETERY**

None

### **MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS**

Mrs. Rankin advised the Council that Steve and Kevin Moore are moving agencies. To continue our service with them, Mrs. Rankin will provide Agent Letters of Appointment to Steve and Kevin Moore with Torian Insurance. Steve Moore assured us that moving agencies will not affect our legacy health plan.

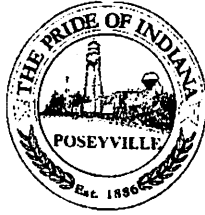
Dental renewal rates were presented to the Council. There is a one-year and two-year renewal option. Mr. Baehl felt a two-year option was better at this time.

Mike Baehl made a motion to accept the two-year dental renewal, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Randy Rankin

Roll Call Vote: Justin Rutledge (yes), Mike Baehl (yes), Randy Rankin (yes)

Mrs. Rankin updated the Council on banking changes. The office has a goal to be transferred entirely to First Bank by December 1, 2024.

President Mr. Rutledge requested the Council use Jim Higgins with LWG to move forward with any future annexation and financial needs. Mr. Higgins has worked with the town for years, knows all of our finances, and has prepared financial plans for the town. Mr. Rutledge and Mrs. Rankin have had several conversations with Mr. Higgins about future finances.



Randy Rankin made a motion to continue working with Jim Higgins, LWG for future finance consultation, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mike Baehl.

Roll Call Vote: Justin Rutledge (yes), Mike Baehl (yes), Randy Rankin (yes)

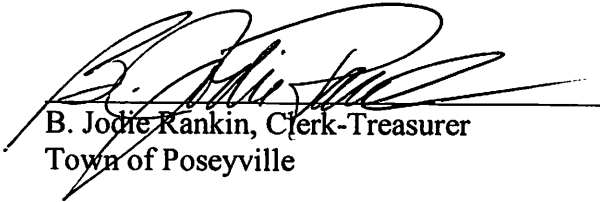
**NEXT MEETING:**

The next meeting of the Poseyville Town Council will be a Public Hearing on September 17, 2024 at 3:00 PM, in person and virtual meeting.

The next regular Poseyville Town Council meeting is October 8, 2024, at 5:00 PM, and it will include the Budget Public Hearing.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, the meeting was adjourned by a motion from Mike Baehl, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Randy Rankin. The meeting was adjourned at 6:19 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



B. Jodie Rankin, Clerk-Treasurer  
Town of Poseyville

**ATTEST:**



Justin Rutledge, Council President