

June 24, 2024

The Ellettsville, Indiana, Town Council met for a regular meeting on Monday, June 24, 2024 at the Ellettsville Town Hall Meeting Room located at 1150 West Guy McCown Drive. Scott Oldham called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Kevin Patton led the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a word of prayer by Jimmie Durnil.

Roll Call: Members present were Dan Swafford – Vice President, William Ellis, Pamela Samples and Trevor Sager. Scott Oldham was absent. Michael Farmer, Town Manager and Darla Brown, Town Attorney were also present. Denise Line, Planner was present in the absence of Noelle Conyer, Clerk Treasurer.

Supervisors participating: Kevin Patton, Jay Humphrey, Jimme Durnil and Denise Line.

Approval of the Minutes for the Regular Meeting June 10, 2024

Dan Swafford entertained a motion for approval of the minutes of the regular meeting June 10, 2024. William Ellis so moved. Trevor Sager seconded. All in favor, Dan Swafford abstained, motion carries.

Accounts Payable Vouchers and Payroll

Dan Swafford entertained a motion to pay Accounts Payable Vouchers and Payroll. Trevor Sager so moved. William Ellis seconded. All in favor, motion carries.

Resolutions

Resolution 21-2024 to Confirm Award of Bid to Fox Construction Company Inc.

Darla Brown, Town Attorney explained she prepared this resolution due to confirm the bid price read at the last meeting of \$4,448,700.00 and she did not include the alternate bids #6 \$62,400.00 to include fencing and gates and alternate bid #7 \$41,850.00 to add a service pit bringing the total bid price for the new DPW building to \$4,552,950.00. Pamela Samples made a motion to approve the bid to Fox Construction Company Inc. in the amount of \$4,552,950.00. Trevor Sager seconded. Roll call vote: Pamela Samples – yes; William Ellis – yes; Trevor Sager – yes; Dan Swafford – yes. Motion Carries

Resolution 22-2024 Approving the Memorandum of Understanding Between Monroe County and Town of Ellettsville

Darla Brown, Town Attorney explained the purpose of this resolution is for the Town to purchase a new aerial ladder truck and Monroe County Redevelopment Committee through TIF funds is going to assist the Town in the purchase. This will solidify the MOU between the Town and County. The updated purchase price after the discount is \$2,182,650.00. Trevor Sager made a motion to approve Resolution 22-2024 Approving the Memorandum of Understanding Between Monroe County and Town of Ellettsville. Pamela Samples seconded. Roll call vote: Pamela Samples – yes; William Ellis – yes; Trevor Sager – yes; Dan Swafford – yes. Motion Carries

Resolution 23-2024 Approving the Financing of an Aerial Fire Truck Through Peoples State Bank

Darla Brown, Town Attorney explained the Resolution referenced is an older version and **the bank** preferred that we use a resolution that the bank's council prepared. The bank also preferred it be referred to as a Master Governmental Lease Agreement instead of a loan agreement. This allows the Town not to have the debt load and is a lease instead. Kevin Patton explained it will take approximately 32-36 months turnaround on the truck. William Ellis made a motion to approve Resolution 23-2024 approving the execution of the Master Governmental Lease Agreement as amended. Pamela Samples seconded. Roll call vote: Pamela Samples – yes; William Ellis – yes; Trevor Sager – yes; Dan Swafford – yes. Motion Carries

Ordinance on First Reading

Ordinance 2024-14 To Establish Redevelopment Commission

Darla Brown, Town Attorney explained she was asked to prepare an Ordinance requested by Town Council per their revisions to be looked over and voted at the next meeting. Darla Brown explained after questions it will be similar to the Parks Department that will establish a department that is managed by the board. Trevor Sager questioned the language of the makeup of the board. Darla

explained they were not that detailed from what she had found on American Legal. She explained after the board is created, they have 30 days to have the first meeting. William Ellis requested a second Ordinance to establish outlining the appointments of the board. Darla explained it can be an Ordinance or an amendment at the vote.

Ordinance on Second Reading

Ordinance 2024-12 to amend the Salary Ordinance 2023-18

Jimmie Durnil, Town Marshal explained this is the salary for the new director of the High Tech Crime Unit adding him to this year's budget. The Town will invoice the Prosecuting Attorney monthly or Bi-Weekly for reimbursement. This is a passthrough from the Monroe County Prosecutor from grant funds. Trevor Sager made a motion to approve Ordinance 2024-12 to amend the Salary Ordinance 2023-18. William Ellis seconded. Roll call vote: Pamela Samples – yes; William Ellis – yes; Trevor Sager – yes; Dan Swafford – yes. Motion Carries

New Business

Memorandum of Understanding Monroe County Prosecuting Attorney's Office

Darla Brown, Town Attorney explained the intent that the Town is to have a High Tech Crimes Unit the Prosecutor's Office from Monroe County will fund it from a grant from Indiana Prosecuting Attorneys Council (IPAC). The officer will be housed at the Ellettsville Police Department supervised by George Robinson, Deputy Marshal. The Prosecutor will pay the salary and benefits and purchase a vehicle for the director's exclusive use. The Town will be responsible for the registration fees, insurance and maintenance fees of the vehicle and will hold the title for the term of the contract. This is a 2-year agreement but either party can cancel the agreement with 45 days notice. Erika Oliphant, Prosecuting Attorney for Monroe County stated she is excited for this resource and is a very valuable tool for law enforcement. The unit handles felonies to investigate and help solve cases and avoid trials. It serves law enforcement agencies in 11 counties. Trevor Sager made a motion to approve the MOU between Monroe County Prosecuting Attorney's Office and the Town. Pamela Samples seconded. Roll call vote: Pamela Samples – yes; William Ellis – yes; Trevor Sager – yes; Dan Swafford – yes. Motion Carries

Contract Renewal for Coppeslt LLC

Michael Farmer, Town Manager explained this is a renewal for Rick Coppock to be the consultant for the Town. He worked as the Town's Engineer for many years and is a very valuable asset. There were no changes to the previous contract. Pamela Samples made a motion to approve the Contract Renewal for Coppeslt LLC. William Ellis seconded. Roll call vote: Pamela Samples – yes; William Ellis – yes; Trevor Sager – yes; Dan Swafford – yes. Motion Carries

Old Business

Award Bid Contract for Community Crossings Grant

Jay Humphrey, Street Foreman explained that Lentz Paving came in lowest at \$180,776.28 to pave 9 streets. Trevor Sager made a motion to award the Bid Contract for Community Crossings Grant to Lentz Paving. Pamela Samples seconded. Roll call vote: Pamela Samples – yes; William Ellis – yes; Trevor Sager – yes; Dan Swafford – yes. Motion Carries

Envision Ellettsville

Dan Rarey, President updated that the Task Forces have completed the Design Standards for public spaces with the help of the public. The board is reviewing the next steps and how to move forward.

Privilege of the Floor

Russ Ryle asked permission to retire from the Board of Zoning Appeals due to health reasons. He will remain on the board until a replacement is found. Denise Line thanked him for his service. The Council spoke highly of him and thanked him for his service.

Chris Clouse, Deputy Fire Chief discussed the Ellettsville Volunteer Fire Department will again host the Fireworks on July 6th at the High School. They are still accepting donations and now have the ability to accept donations online through the portal on the Ellettsville Fire Department Facebook Page.

Supervisor Comments

Mike Farmer, Town Manager thanked Denise Line, Kip Headdy and Jay Humphrey for getting another Community Crossings Grant. They have been able to do the Liquid Road on the Trail and Streets and completed crack sealing around Town. He explained they broke ground on the DPW building and there is a lot going on around Town. They finished the 12” water main on the West Side to improve the water quality and develop the West Side. It was done in house and saved several thousand dollars doing it themselves.

Jimmie Durnil, Town Marshal thanked the Street Department for paving the trail. He explained he has 17 officers signed up for the Fireworks on the 6th and he thanked the Fire Department for working together with the Police Department on cleaning up the fuel spill Friday evening.

Kevin Patton, Fire Chief thanked the TIFF Board/RDC for funding the vehicle and the Council for approval.

Jay Humphrey, Street Foreman explained they were able to crack seal 37 streets in 5 days and completed the Liquid Road on Sycamore Drive, Heritage Trail and Campbell’s Park Drive.

Denise Line, Planner explained she left a draft of the Unified Development Ordinance. There is a public Open House at Town Hall at 6:30 on June 27th. It will go before Plan Commission on July 11th and at Town Council on July 27th for approval. She also reminded everyone to come to Food Truck Wednesday at Marci Jane Lewis Park 4:30-8:30 with entertainment. Attendance has really picked up the last several of times.

Michael Farmer, Town Manager also mentioned they are finishing up on the first Pickleball Court at the Marci Jane Lewis Shelter House. If it works out well, they will build 2 more.


Council Comments

Pamela Samples thanked Kevin Patton for sitting down with them and discussing the budget.

Trevor Sager discussed the upcoming budget meeting on July 15 to change the time to 6:30 due to a prior commitment. He spoke earlier with Scott Oldham and he was good with the change and all agreed. It will be conducted as a Work Session and Noelle Conyer, Clerk Treasurer will post the correction.

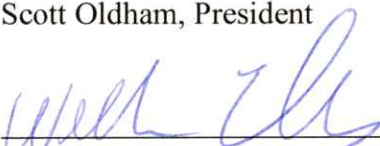
Adjournment

Dan Swafford, Vice President adjourned the meeting at 7:10 p.m.



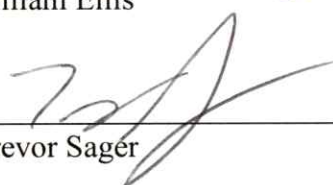
Scott Oldham, President

Dan Swafford, Vice President



William Ellis

Pamela Samples



Trevor Sager

Noelle M. Conyer Clerk Treasurer