

December 8, 2025

The Ellettsville, Indiana Town Council met for a special meeting on Monday, December 8, 2025, 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. Jimmie Durnil gave a word of prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance by Kevin Patton.

**Roll Call:** Members present were Scott Oldham – President, William Ellis, Trevor Sager, Dan Swafford and Pamela Samples. Noelle Conyer, Clerk Treasurer, Town Attorney Darla Brown, and Michael Farmer – Town Manager was also present.

**Supervisors Participating:** Kevin Patton –Fire Chief, Jimmie Durnil – Town Marshal, Kip Headdy - DPW Director, Denise Line, Planning Director and Jeff Farmer Wastewater supervisor.

**Approval of the Minutes for the Regular meeting November 22, 2025**

**Scott Oldham** entertained a motion for approval of the minutes of the regular meeting on November 22, 2025. William Ellis so moved. Dan Swafford seconded. All in favor, motion carries.

**Accounts Payable Vouchers and Payroll**

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

**Resolutions**

**Resolution 41-2025 to Approve a Purchase Agreement Between MacQueen Equipment, LLC, and the Town of Ellettsville for one Pierce Enforcer PUC Pumper Truck for the Ellettsville Fire Department**

**Darla Brown**, Town Attorney explained at the last town council meeting, the council authorized the fire chief to place an order for a fire truck so the town could get in line. This Resolution authorizes the fire chief to sign the purchase agreement for that fire truck which council did not have at the last meeting. Trevor Sager made a motion to approve Resolution 41-2025. Dan Swafford seconded. Roll call vote: Scott Oldham – yes; Dan Swafford – yes; William Ellis – yes; Trevor Sager – yes; Pamela Samples – yes. Motion carries.

**Resolution 42-2025 to Approve the Financing for the Pierce Enforcer PUC Pumper Truck**

**Darla Brown**, Town Attorney explained this Resolution incorporates largely a lot of language that PNC Bank wants to have in the resolution. PNC Bank is going to assist the town with the financing and this resolution authorizes either the Town Manager or the Fire Chief to sign any lease agreements and or sign any paperwork necessary to get the loan. Kevin Patton, Fire Chief explained for clarity this is paid for through the contract with Richland Township but is owned by the Town. Pamela Samples made a motion to approve Resolution 42-2025. William Ellis seconded. Roll call vote: Scott Oldham – yes; Dan Swafford – yes; William Ellis – yes; Trevor Sager – yes; Pamela Samples – yes. Motion carries.

**Resolution 43-2025 Transfer of Funds from General for Redevelopment Commission Pay**

**Noelle Conyer**, Clerk Treasurer explained this transfer of funds is from General for the Redevelopment Commission to pay the Commission Board. Earlier this year when she did the additional appropriation to appropriate funds for the Redevelopment Commission to use it were put in other services and charges and office supplies. This is taking \$1,200.00 from office supplies for the Commission pay leaving a balance of \$6,192.82. William Ellis made a motion to approve Resolution 43-2025. Pamela Samples seconded. Roll call vote: Scott Oldham – yes; Dan Swafford – yes; William Ellis – yes; Trevor Sager – yes; Pamela Samples – yes. Motion carries.

**Ordinance on Second Reading**

**Ordinance 2025-26 Salary Ordinance for Budget Year 2026**



**Noelle Conyer**, Clerk Treasurer explained there were no changes from the discussion from Ordinance on First Reading at the last meeting. Michael Farmer, Town Manager stated sadly that there are no scheduled raises to our workforce in preparation for what might happen to our revenues going into 2028. William Ellis made a motion to approve Ordinance 2025-26. Pamela Samples seconded. Roll call vote: Scott Oldham – yes; Dan Swafford – yes; William Ellis – yes; Trevor Sager – yes; Pamela Samples – yes. Motion carries.

#### **Old Business**

#### **Selection of individuals to serve as Town's representatives on the Richland Township/Town of Ellettsville Reorganization Committee**

**Michael Farmer**, Town Manager stated that the Township Board picked three choices for the Reorganization Committee last Friday and we are hoping to make our selection tonight. There were a few people that contacted the Clerk's office or emailed their desire to serve on the committee. Through conversations of staff and board members they have a good list of Townspeople and Township people. After the committee is selected they will select subcommittees to serve on various subgroups such as parks, public safety, sewer, water, planning and zoning, police, and fire. There will be a lot of meetings and private sessions to begin construction of a plan and the costs associated with it. In June, there has to be a completed plan so both boards can vote on it. Then the DLGF will sign off on it and it will go on a referendum for November. There was some confusion about the election of from the list. Scott Oldham explained it was left to Mr. Farmer to create a list given to him by staff etc. that meets the criteria to move forward in election. The criteria were based on experience, management skills, dealing with multiple sets of employees, experience serving on a government body or an elected official and familiarities with the law. It isn't something where you have to have it all but experience he was looking for. It is important to select the best people because this has to be done in six months and there are a lot of steps that has to be done in order and sequence or this fails. Township board selected Kevin Farris, Dawn Durnil and Scott Reynolds. There was a lot of discussion on the selection process and it was decided that each board member received the list from Michael Farmer to look at and it was discussed who was within the Town. Dan Swafford feels like if the Township elected members within the Township the council should pick from the Town. Scott Oldham offered his nominations, Mike Cornman, Andrew Henry, and William Ellis. Trevor Sager seconded. Pamela Samples disagreed with William Ellis due to being involved in other boards. Dan Swafford nominated Dr. Sanders. It was discussed that he would more than likely be the 7<sup>th</sup> member elected by the board of 6 due to his affiliation as the school superintendent to follow in line with the Sheridan Adams Township consolidation. It was decided to vote on each nomination separately. There were four nominations, first nomination of William Ellis. Roll call vote: Scott Oldham – yes; Dan Swafford – no; William Ellis – yes; Trevor Sager – yes; Pamela Samples – no. Motion carries. William Ellis seconded Dan's nomination for Dr. Sanders. Roll call vote: Scott Oldham – no; Dan Swafford – yes; William Ellis – no; Trevor Sager – no; Pamela Samples – no. Motion failed. Nomination of Andrew Henry. Scott Oldham – yes; Dan Swafford – abstain; William Ellis – yes; Trevor Sager – yes; Pamela Samples – yes. Motion carries. Nomination of Mike Cornman. Scott Oldham – yes; Dan Swafford – yes; William Ellis – yes; Trevor Sager – yes; Pamela Samples – yes. Motion carries. To confirm, Mike Cornman, William Ellis and Andrew Henry will serve as the three representatives on the Richland Township/Town of Ellettsville Reorganization Committee. William Ellis will lobby to elect Dr. Sanders as the seventh member when the board meets to select that member.

#### **Supervisor Comments**

**Michael Farmer**, Town Manager mentioned Denise Line will discuss the opening of the Heritage Center and he appreciates moving forward with putting together a reorganization committee. He is getting a lot of positive feedback with the reorganization and he is excited to be a part of it.

**Denise Line**, Planning Director discussed that last Friday they had the Grand Opening/ribbon cutting for the Heritage Center for the stakeholders and grant holders. They had a nice lunch with approximately 52 people attending. This Friday they will have a luncheon for the employees and on





the 15<sup>th</sup> it will be opening for the public to start using it. Michael Farmer added that they will add it to the website about the rules, costs and availability during the week Monday through Friday. We have had a lot of calls for graduations and weddings and different things. It will be more extensive than the regular rules for shelter rentals. It is a fabulous facility and it will have continuous additions to make it a fabulous Park. The Stewart family attended the opening and spoke about working the farm in the 50's and 60's and they are so happy that their property has turned into this wonderful place. Denise thanked council for allowing the grant to be written and for the match used and she hopes they all have a chance to see it. Michael Farmer added that the stone wall was rough stone leftover stone donated from Bybee Stone and Stone Belt trucking donated time to haul it. It was a million pounds of stone and the Town crew did it all in house and only spent \$15,000.00 that would cost 10 times that much to set. There is also a beautiful memorial honoring the Stewart Family. It represents our heritage and as we move forward, it's how we want to be in the future by providing gathering places that people can take their families to. This park will be a vaccine to using blue screens and internet that might actually get them out of the house and out to play.

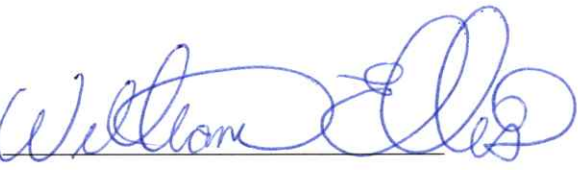
**Noelle Conyer**, Clerk Treasurer asked council's pleasure as she prepares next year's meeting schedule to keep the second and 4<sup>th</sup> Mondays for the council meetings at 6:30. All agreed. She will have that prepared for the next meeting.


**Adjournment**

**Scott Oldham** adjourned the meeting at 7:54 p.m.


  
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Dan Swafford, Vice President

  
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Noelle M. Conyer Clerk -Treasurer