

The Ellettsville, Indiana, Town Council met for a regular meeting on Monday, March 28, 2022, at the Ellettsville Town Hall Meeting Room located at 1150 W. Guy McCown Drive. Pamela Samples called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Mike Cornman led the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a prayer by Jimmie Durnil.

Roll Call: Members present were Pamela Samples, President; William Ellis, Vice President; Scott Oldham, Trevor Sager and Dan Swafford. Michael Farmer, Town Manager Sandra Hash, Clerk Treasurer and Darla Brown, Town Attorney were also present.

Supervisors participating: Jimmie Durnil, Kevin Tolloty, Mike Cornman and Jay Humphrey.

Approval of Minutes

Pamela Samples entertained a motion for approval of the minutes of the regular meeting March 14, 2022. William Ellis so moved. Trevor Sager seconded. Roll call vote: William Ellis – yes; Scott Oldham – yes; Trevor Sager – yes; Dan Swafford – abstain; Pamela Samples – yes. Motion Carried.

Accounts Payable Vouchers and Payroll

Pamela Samples entertained a motion to pay Accounts Payable Vouchers and Payroll. Scott Oldham so moved. Sandra Hash, Clerk Treasurer advised the council of a minor change in the accounts payable vouchers previously sent. There was an issue with a Fire Department invoice in the amount of \$895.91 that should have been paid by the Ellettsville Volunteer Fire Department (EVFD) for uniforms. The check had to be voided and reissued to include a check from the EVFD. Dan Swafford seconded. Roll call vote: William Ellis – yes; Scott Oldham – yes; Trevor Sager – yes; Dan Swafford – yes; Pamela Samples – yes. Motion Carried.

Resolutions

Resolution 03-2022 to Dispose of Surplus Property for the Police Department

Jimmie Durnil, Town Marshal explained he has a 2014 Dodge that he talked about at the last meeting that has engine and rear axle problems. He hates to see it go as it still looks brand new, but the engine problems were unexpected and it’s time to turn it loose. They will sell it on E-Bay and he hopes to get a couple of thousand dollars out of it. They have a lot of good luck with selling on E-bay. Dan Swafford inquired about the light kits and the equipment. Marshall Durnil explained they do remove the lights and some of the equipment to use in similar vehicles. William Ellis made a motion to approve. Trevor Sager seconded. Roll call vote: William Ellis – yes; Scott Oldham – yes; Trevor Sager – yes; Dan Swafford – yes; Pamela Samples – yes. Motion Carried.

Flood Report

Michael Farmer, Town Manager discussed inquiries made to William Ellis from people around town on when the permits would be ready for the Vine Street project and what type of permits they were. He explained the permits 401 and 404 from IDEM are both about water quality but the 404 permit is anytime you cut or fill inside a creek area it protects the waterway and the aquatic life. He expects to get them by June. After they get the permits they can get with Darla Brown, Town Attorney on a proposal to get bids out and start digging by October. Dan Swafford inquired about recent flood events. Michael Farmer explained a couple of weeks ago they had a 3-inch rain that caused the sewer plant to run four pumps for 12 hours but most of the flooding was minimal.

Envision Ellettsville Update

Dan Rarey reported they had a meeting with the Taylor Group on March 24, 2022, to finalize the last section of the plan. There is a meeting on April 5th with the implementation team for a planning session. He invited everyone who would like to attend the meeting at Ellettsville

Town Hall on April 21, 2022, at 6:00 for the public reveal. Mike Farmer wasn't sure that date was set in stone and could be revised.

New Business

Fire Department request to hire a Part-time Fireman

Mike Cornman, Fire Chief requested to hire two part-time firefighters. The first one is Dillon Robertson he is a trained firefighter and has been through the testing and interview process. The second request is a former employee Troy Colvin, he has never been terminated in the system and would just need re-activated. Both requests are for part-time firefighters as additional employees and not replacements. Mike Cornman also discussed there may be a reduction of employees soon due to six firefighters currently that he is talking with that are not meeting the hours required by the Town and he may be bringing before the board for termination. Trevor Sager made a motion to approve the request. Dan Swafford seconded. Roll call vote: William Ellis – yes; Scott Oldham – yes; Trevor Sager – yes; Dan Swafford – yes; Pamela Samples – yes. Motion Carried.

Mobile Radios Upgrades for the Police Department

Jimmie Durnil, Town Marshal explained this is for 5 Motorola portable radios to fulfill that all full-time, part-time and the School Resource Officers have up to date portable radios. They will add three new mobile radios when they add three new vehicles this year. They were budgeted for. Dan Swafford questioned why everyone had their own radio and they are not shared. Scott Oldham stated it was for durability and if you need extra people, you can't have them running 24/7. William Ellis made a motion to approve. Trevor Sager seconded. Roll call vote: William Ellis – yes; Scott Oldham – yes; Trevor Sager – yes; Dan Swafford – yes; Pamela Samples – yes. Motion Carried.

2022 Ferris Mower for the Department of Public Works – Street Division

Jay Humphrey, Street Department Foreman was present for Kip Headdy and explained they want to trade in two older Toro mowers to upgrade to a newer Ferris mower. The trade ins are 2002 and 2007 models and they want to trade them in before they start breaking down. They will have five new Ferris mowers within the Department of Public Works and one older Toro mower. They have the money in the budget and it has been discussed with Sandra Hash, Clerk Treasurer. They received three quotes and Richard's Small Engine was the cheapest. They are local so they would like to proceed with the quote from them. Dan Swafford made a motion to approve the purchase and accept the quote from Richard's Small Engine. Roll call vote: William Ellis – yes; Scott Oldham – yes; Trevor Sager – yes; Dan Swafford – yes; Pamela Samples – yes. Motion Carried.

Quotes for Updating the Personnel Policy

Sandra Hash, Clerk Treasurer discussed the two quotes she received. The first one is from Waggoner, Irwin & Scheele & Associates, Inc. They were previously used for the Wage Study in the amount of \$14,840-\$16,600.00 plus expenses. They also do the personnel policy for Monroe County. The second quote is from New Focus HR at considerably less and is very active in the Clerk's League. They have done several policies and included a list of references. Their cost is \$5,000.00. They both offer Human Resources consulting services by the hour and will update the handbook every year. Council questioned the difference in cost. Sandra Hash, Clerk Treasurer has not checked the references and council felt it would be better to wait to vote on it after checking the references provided. Dan Swafford made a motion to table. William Ellis seconded. Roll call vote: William Ellis – yes; Scott Oldham – yes; Trevor Sager – yes; Dan Swafford – yes; Pamela Samples – yes. Motion Carried.

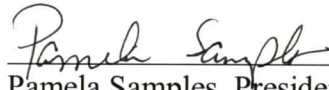
Supervisor Comments

Mike Cornman acknowledged Monroe County 911 dispatcher, Veanna Lewis on her retirement after 43 years of service. She was of great service to the County and will be greatly

missed. Scott Oldham agreed and stated she has been responsible for saving a great deal of lives over the years.

Adjournment


Pamela Samples entertained a motion to adjourn. Dan Swafford so moved. Scott Oldham seconded. All in favor, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:52 p.m.


Pamela Samples, President


William Ellis, Vice President


Scott Oldham


Trevor Sager


Dan Swafford


Sandra Hash, Clerk Treasurer, IAMC, MMC