

BOURBON TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

APRIL 13, 2021

A regular meeting of the Town Council for Bourbon, Indiana was held at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 13, 2021 with Council Members, Ward Byers, Les McFarland, Terry Clemens, Clerk-Treasurer Kimberly Berger and Attorney Alex Hoover present in person. The meeting was opened to the public and livestreamed via the Town of Bourbon Facebook page.

MINUTES: Mr. McFarland made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 9th and 23rd meetings, which was seconded by Member Clemens and carried by a vote of 3 Ayes, 0 Nays.

NEW BUSINESS: Sealed bids for the 1989 Hummer were opened as received. The first bid was from Kathy Ringer in the amount of \$10,900.00. The next bid was from Bob Fites of the Lakeville Conservation Club in the amount of \$5,500.00. The Council placed a reserve bid of \$10,000.00 on the Hummer. Member McFarland motioned to accept the bid of \$10,900.00 from Kathy Ringer of Plymouth, Member Clemens offered the second and the motion passed 3 Ayes, 0 Nays.

Rocki Stinson, a representative from GameTime, was present to discuss a quote for a new play module for ages 2 – 5 and 2 Expression Swings. The quote was in the amount of \$25,402.38. Member McFarland motioned to accept the quote, Member Clemens seconded the motion and it passed 3 Ayes, 0 Nays. Discussion ensued on what to do with the old playground module and with the current state of the equipment, it was decided to recycle it. The new equipment will arrive in approximately 4 to 5 weeks.

A request from ReDiscover Bourbon was tabled and will be revisited at the May 11, 2021 meeting.

OLD BUSINESS: President Byers reintroduced Ordinance 2021-1 concerning vehicle impound. Member McFarland motioned to suspend the rules and pass on the second and third readings. Member Clemens seconded the motion and motion passed 3 Ayes, 0 Nays. President Byers stated that at a special meeting on April 6, 2021, the Town of Bourbon awarded the Community Crossings bid to Niblock Excavating for \$140,599.55. After review from JPR, Niblock was in full compliance with the specifications.

REPORTS FROM DEPARTMENT HEADS:

Ms. Berger asked for approval of claims #3179 - #3281 in the amount of \$312,617.77. Member Clemens motioned to approve the claims, Member McFarland offered the second and the motion passed 3 Ayes, 0 Nays. Ms. Berger presented Ordinance 2021-2, concerning the American Rescue. President Byers gave an overview of the American Rescue Plan and stated that the Town of Bourbon would have to come up with a written spending plan. The Town of Bourbon will receive \$338,000.00 over a period of 2 years and have until 12/31/2024 to utilize the funds.

Member Clemens motioned to pass Ordinance 2021-2, Member McFarland offered the second and the motion passed with a vote of 3 Ayes, 0 Nays. Ms. Berger gave an update of events from the Unsafe Building Committee that she represents for the Town.

Carl Amsden, Police Sergeant appeared next before the Council and offered his monthly report. Sergeant Amsden informed the Council that the new 2021 Explorer Cruiser is currently at R & B getting the equipment installed and stated that the second Explorer should arrive by the end of May. Amsden also advised the Council that Officers 474 and 475 are now at the Academy for their final training.

Roger Terry, Street Department Supervisor, presented his activity report and reported that spring leaf pick up has officially ended.

Steve Stacy, Water/Wastewater Superintendent was not present. Clerk-Treasurer Berger presented the information on his behalf. There continues to be an issue with the Internet Companies placing combination locks on the Water Tower where their equipment is. The Council advised Attorney Hoover to send a letter to each demanding the locks be removed within 10 days. The utility department has been working on the outside of the Matchett Event Center. They asked permission to remove the overgrown trees on the west side of the building. Concrete curbing was requested to be installed due to the damaged plastic curbing that has been in place since the building was built in 2003. The Town received a quote from Stronghold Curbs of Etna Green at a price of \$8.00 per foot for concrete color edging. Member Clemens motioned to approve the request, Member McFarland offered the second and the motion passed 3 Ayes, 0 Nays.

Chuck Dewitt, Zoning Department gave an update on the timeline for construction and renovation of the Family Express building. Dewitt also advised the Council of some property clean ups that he requested to several homeowners. He is very pleased with the progress. He also gave an update of the Plan Commission meeting that was held on April 12, 2021. He stated that he will be working with the members to understand the zoning of the Town and why and where it is zoned as is.

Mike Chapman, Fire Chief was not present at the meeting.

TOWN ATTORNEY: Mr. Hoover informed the Council of several changes that were requested by Chief Martin to Ordinance 2009-03, the Golf Care Ordinance and also verbage in the Junk Vehicle Ordinance. Mr. Hoover stated that he would have them ready to be reviewed at the May meeting.

PATRON'S COMMENTS: Mr. Bob Fites, of the Lakeville Conservation Club, expressed his gratitude to the employees of the Town that assisted him when pursuing his bid for the Hummer. He also requested that if the high bid fell through, the Town would honor his bid.

Susie Schaetzle and Doug Eyrich were present to voice their concerns about apartment tenants parking on Main Street in front of their place of business. Discussion ensued. Chris Hammond and Aaron Williams, whom also own a business in that block, does not feel that there is a parking issue. The business owners were told that there will be a meeting of the Plan Commission on Monday, May 11, to address this issue and a recommendation to the Council will follow.

COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS: There were no Council Member comments.

ADJOURNMENT: Being no further business to come before the Council, Mr. Clemens made the motion to adjourn at 7:24 p.m., a second was offered by Member McFarland and carried by a vote of 3 ayes, 0 nays.

ATTEST:

Kimberly A. Berger, Clerk Treasurer

Ward Byers, President