



TOWN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

Thursday, November 07, 2024 at 7:00 PM

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MINUTES

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Council President Jeff Beachy called the regular Council meeting to order at 7:00p on Thursday, November 7, 2024.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE led by Steve Priem

ROLL CALL

Members present: Doug DeSmith, Dean Rentfrow, Cathy Burke, Gregg Tuholski, Jeff Beachy

Others present: Marshal Steve Priem, Clerk-Treasurer Cathy Antonelli, Town Manager Mike Yoder, Fire Chief Nik Kantz, Legal Counsel George Lepeniotis (arrived at 7:04pm)

APPROVAL OF AGENDA stands as published.

APPROVAL OF INVOICES

- **Motion to approve the invoices** made by Cathy Burke, Seconded by Doug DeSmith. Voting Yea: Doug DeSmith, Dean Rentfrow, Cathy Burke, Gregg Tuholski, Jeff Beachy.
- **Motion carries.**

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of Council Meeting minutes of October 17, 2024

- **Motion to approve the Council meeting minutes of October 17, 2024** made by Dean Rentfrow, Seconded by Doug DeSmith. Voting Yea: Doug DeSmith, Dean Rentfrow, Cathy Burke, Gregg Tuholski, Jeff Beachy.
- **Motion carries.**

REPORTS

TOWN MANAGER Mike Yoder

Resolution No. 11-07-2024-11 AIM Medical Trust

Jill Swartz presented an insurance proposal from AIM Medical Trust, offering a PPO and an HSA for our 2025 plan. Requesting Council approval on Resolution No 11.7.2024-11 and contributions of \$2K for an individual plan, \$3K for an employee + spouse/children plan and \$4K for a family plan.

- **Motion to approve Resolution No. 11.7.2024-11 and contributions for 2025** made by Cathy Burke, Seconded by Dean Rentfrow. Voting Yea: Doug DeSmith, Dean Rentfrow, Cathy Burke, Gregg Tuholski, Jeff Beachy.
- **Motion carries.**

Council also made a commitment for ongoing minimum contributions for the HSA plan in the following: \$1K for an individual plan, \$1,500 for an employee + spouse/children plan, \$2K for a family plan.

- **Motion to approve the ongoing minimum contributions as specified above made by Jeff Beachy;** Seconded by Doug DeSmith. Voting Yea: Doug DeSmith, Dean Rentfrow, Cathy Burke, Gregg Tuholski, Jeff Beachy.
- **Motion carries.** Jeff thanked Jill for all the work she did on this for the cost savings.

Town Manager Mike Yoder

Project updates: Howard property and I & M easement correction

CCMG 2024-2

The 2024-2 Community Crossing Grant application was approved. Preliminary award for the project \$774,506.25 Project will be for next spring and covers Twin River Trails and Elm Street Bids may take place yet this month

Clean up completed where the fire was. Total just over \$100K, looks very nice. Many compliments and generating a lot of interest on what will happen next. Next steps include decisions and moving forward with an RFP.

NIPSCO started the substation project.

Council member Gregg Tuholski asked if they were done with the NIPSCO project on N Division. Concerns that they haven't been back to fix the pavement/asphalt. Mike Yoder stated that they will be back to do the street repairs. Some sidewalk work is in process.

Water project continues moving along.

WWTP - rain helped the project with compacting the soil and passed the compaction testing.

Mike will look up the contract expiration date on billboard in Memorial Park. The billboard is to be removed when the contract expires.

Ordinance being worked on to allow ORVs to be allowed in the community, definitions to be amended.

CLERK-TREASURER Cathy Antonelli

Amend Salary Ordinance No. 11.07.2024-25

Changes include a title change for Dustin Lundgren from Lieutenant to Chief Deputy, adding new hire - Vincent Ambrose and putting a second new hire into position (currently interviewing), rehire - Cody Simon, and increase Officer Chandler Pittman's hourly rate.

- **Motion to suspend the rules** made by Cathy Burke; Seconded by Dean Rentfrow. Voting Yea: Doug DeSmith, Dean Rentfrow, Cathy Burke, Gregg Tuholski, Jeff Beachy.
- **Motion carries.**
- **Motion to waive the second reading and adopt Amended Salary Ordinance 11.07.2024-25 on first reading** made by Jeff Beachy; Seconded by Cathy Burke. Voting Yea: Doug DeSmith, Dean Rentfrow, Cathy Burke, Gregg Tuholski, Jeff Beachy.
- **Motion carries.**

2025 Meeting dates for Council and Park Board

2025 schedules reviewed. The Council will consider cancelling the July 3, 2025 meeting when it gets closer to that date, dependent on agenda activity. The Park Board has a meeting next Tuesday and will review their meeting dates. Once reviewed and confirmed, the calendar will be sent to the media for their records.

Additional Appropriation request \$297,205.95

FUND #	Fund Name	Appropriation #	Amount	Reason
4651	2023 G.O. Bond Project Fund	4651-001-316	\$66,517.41	Intelli street lights
1101	General	1101-001-316	\$50,000	Contractual Services
2410	ARP (American Rescue Plan)	2410-001-421	\$180,688.54	Water Meter Improvements

Grand Total: \$297,205.95

- **Motion to approve the first reading of Ordinance 12.7.2024-26 with permission to publish the Notice to Taxpayers of Additional Appropriations in the amount of \$297,205.95** made by Cathy Burke; Seconded by Doug DeSmith. Voting Yea: Doug DeSmith, Dean Rentfrow, Cathy Burke, Gregg Tuholski, Jeff Beachy.
- **Motion carries.**

NOTE: Three-year Levy Growth Appeal petition submitted for \$246,058, was approved with a modification to \$245,838 for 2025.

TOWN MARSHAL Steve Priem

New hire updates: Introduction of new police officer Vincent Ambrose, who started on Monday. Gary Smith will be a lateral from Middlebury, which will also give Bristol a canine unit. An MOU (memo of understanding) is being worked out for participation in some local community events) Hoping to have Gary and Raider (canine) start December 2, 2024. Cody Simon was previously with the department and will be coming back.

Chandler Pittman is about done with field training and then he will go to the Academy. Vinnie Ambrose will be starting his field training and upon completion will also go to the academy.

Marshal Priem made note of the hard work that his team has done in their recruitment efforts. Council member Dean Rentfrow asked about the cost to retrain the dog? Marshal noted that their is constant training. Raider is currently certified for tobacco/nicotine. Would like additional training for drugs and tracking.

TOWN ATTORNEY George Lepeniotis.

Noted that the billboard ordinance should be ready in two weeks

NEW BUSINESS – none this evening

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR (Public Comments to Council)

Mark Mykala – 3395 Fox Chase shared comments and scenarios regarding the noise ordinance and recent construction in his neighborhood, asking if Council would consider making some changes. Construction allowed from 7a-10p, bulldozers, big truck activity, loud music.

Jeff Beachy said that the Council will work with Attorney on this.

TOWN COUNCIL DISCUSSION ITEMS – none this evening

NEXT MEETINGS:

November 19: work session. Main street property discussion

November 21: Council meeting

- **MOTION TO ADJOURN** made by Cathy Burke, Seconded by Gregg Tuholski. Voting Yea: Doug DeSmith, Dean Rentfrow, Cathy Burke, Gregg Tuholski, Jeff Beachy.
- **Meeting adjourned at 7:58pm**

Jeff Beachy, Council President

Cathy Antonelli, Clerk-Treasurer