



TOWN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

Thursday, December 05, 2024 at 7:00 PM
Council Chamber Bristol Municipal Complex

MINUTES

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Council President Jeff Beachy called the regular meeting to order at 7:00pm on Thursday, December 5, 2024

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE led by Cathy Burke

ROLL CALL

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

Others in attendance: Marshal Steve Priem, Fire Chief Nick Kantz, Town Manager Mike Yoder, Clerk-Treasurer Cathy Antonelli, Legal Counsel George Lepeniotis

APPROVAL OF AGENDA stands as published

APPROVAL OF INVOICES

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of the November 21, 2024 regular council meeting minutes

- **Motion to accept the November 21, 2024 meeting minutes** made by Doug DeSmith, Seconded by Dean Rentfrow. Voting Yea: Doug DeSmith, Dean Rentfrow, Cathy Burke, Gregg Tuholski, Jeff Beachy. **Motion carries.**

REPORTS

TOWN MANAGER Mike Yoder

CCMG 2024 -2 bid opening – two bids offered.

Niblock base bid \$344,212.10 and Rieth Riley base bid \$499,264.24

Ryan from JPR reviewed the bids while the meeting continued and then came back before Council and offered the recommendation that the lowest responsible bidder was NIBLOCK.

- **Motion to accept the \$344,212.10 bid from Niblock based on JPRs recommendation** made by Cathy Burke, Seconded by Dean Rentfrow. Voting Yea: Doug DeSmith, Dean Rentfrow, Cathy Burke, Gregg Tuholski, Jeff Beachy. **Motion carries.**

Services contract with JPR

- **Motion to approve the Town Engineer (General Services) Agreement with JPR for 2025 contractual services** made by Gregg Tuholski, Seconded by Doug DeSmith. Voting Yea: Doug

DeSmith, Dean Rentfrow, Cathy Burke, Gregg Tuholski, Jeff Beachy. **Motion carries.**

Project updates from Town Manager

1. New website – Mike spoke to the new system format and updates. Discussion followed and Council was pleased with the coming updated website. Notes to add photos of Town employees and a Public Notice section for advertising Legal Notices.

2. Stoll Property - Mike Stoll owns the Lavender Patch building and there is one appraisal of \$146K, which Mike Stoll is willing to sell it to the Town for that price. A second appraisal would be needed. motion to authorize mike structural engineer.

- **Motion to authorize Mike Yoder to move forward and consult a structural engineer to pursue the purchase of the property** made by Gregg Tuholski, Seconded by Cathy Burke. Voting Yea: Doug DeSmith, Dean Rentfrow, Cathy Burke, Gregg Tuholski, Jeff Beachy. **Motion carries.**

Plans to be made to add to the next RDC meeting prior to the next Council meeting and possibly cancel the work session.

CLERK-TREASURER Cathy Antonelli

- **Motion to approve Additional Appropriation Ordinance No. 12/5/2024-26 \$297,205.95** made by Doug DeSmith, Seconded by Cathy Burke. Voting Yea: Doug DeSmith, Dean Rentfrow, Cathy Burke, Gregg Tuholski, Jeff Beachy. **Motion carries.**

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	\$ 50,000.00	Contractual Services
2410	ARP	2410-001-421	\$180,688.54	Water Meter Improvements

Grand Total: \$297,205.95

- **Motion to approve the first reading of Amended Salary Ordinance No. 12/19/2024-29** made by Cathy Burke, Seconded by Doug DeSmith. Voting Yea: Doug DeSmith, Dean Rentfrow, Cathy Burke, Gregg Tuholski, Jeff Beachy. **Motion carries.** This amendment is to add new hire Josh Dibley.

- **Motion to approve the first reading of the 2025 Salary Ordinance No. 12.19.2024-28**

Council member Rentfrow wants to review a change for the superintendent to have a higher salary than his employees. Compromise recommendation to be equal to the highest paid employee. Discussion followed.

Mike Yoder shared with Council that a request from Park Board President for a 3% increase in their stipend across the board, taking them from \$975 to \$1K annually was being considered. Council noted that the Council has not taken a raise for several years and wondered what the justification was for the request. Council asked that the Park Board review as a whole.

- **Motion to approve on first reading Salary Ordinance No. 12.19.2024-28 with the amended salary for the street superintendent from \$31.50 to 32.68 per hour** made by Jeff Beachy, Seconded by Cathy Burke. Voting Yea: Doug DeSmith, Cathy Burke, Jeff Beachy. **Motion carries.**

- **Motion to approve Resolution 12.5.2024-12 for Year-End Transfers** made by Jeff Beachy, Seconded by Cathy Burke. Voting Yea: Dean Rentfrow, Cathy Burke, Gregg Tuholski, Jeff Beachy. **Motion carries.**

TOWN ATTORNEY George Lepeniotis

- **Motion to approve the first reading ORV Ordinance No. 12/19/2024-27** Authorizing Off-Road Vehicles on Highways under the Jurisdiction of the Town of Bristol, Indiana and Imposing Requirements, Conditions, and Restrictions for Such made by Cathy Burke, Seconded by Doug DeSmith. Voting Yea: Doug DeSmith, Cathy Burke, Gregg Tuholski, Jeff Beachy. **Motion carries.**

TOWN MARSHAL Steve Priem

Marshal Priem shared a proposal for purchase of six tasers and cartridges \$19,813. Funds already budgeted within the LIT police weapons appropriation line and hopes to purchase by year end.

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

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR (Public Comments to Council) – no comments this evening.

TOWN COUNCIL DISCUSSION ITEMS

Doug DeSmith – no comments

Dean Rentfrow – We need to be planning for a new street dept building and location. Mike Yoder is looking at some property Monday.

Cathy Burke – no comments

Gregg Tuholski – no comments

Jeff Beachy – no comments

Christmas tree lighting tomorrow night

NEXT MEETINGS:

Thursday, Dec. 19 7:00 pm Council meeting

Tuesday, Dec. 17, 2024 7p work session

Thursday, Dec. 19, 2024 7p regular council meeting

MOTION TO ADJOURN made by Gregg Tuholski, Seconded by Doug DeSmith. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 8:01pm.

These minutes are a summary of actions taken at the Bristol Town Council meetings. The full video archive of the meeting is available for viewing at <https://bristol-in.municodemeetings.com/> for as long as this media is supported.

Jeff Beachy, Council President

Cathy Antonelli, Clerk-Treasurer