

April 12, 2022

This is a report of the regular meeting and public hearing to amend the current water rate ordinance on Tuesday, April 12, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. at the Rossville Town Hall.

On call of the roll: David Severt, Jack Fingerle, and William Croto.

Also present were Mike Kleinpeter, Tony Johnson, Trent Montemayor, Shawn Morris, Deb and Steve Bowman, Roy Mitchell, Ed Underwood, Chad Colby, and Robert Shaffer.

David Severt called the meeting to order. Minutes from the March 8, 2022 and March 14, 2022 meetings were approved as presented.

Roy Mitchell appeared before the Council to express concern and discuss the dog issue at 254 N. East St. The dogs are being allowed to wonder outside their yard and have been aggressive on several occasions. Ed Underwood stated tickets would be issued if police witness the dogs outside of their yard. He would also contact the county prosecutor regarding other options.

The public hearing to discuss proposed water rate increases was opened. Ordinance 2022-02, an ordinance amending the water-works rates ordinance was presented to Council for review. Public comments were received from the audience. After further discussion, Bill Croto made a motion to close the public hearing, seconded by Jack Fingerle, and passed by Council. Bill Croto made a motion to approve Ordinance 2022-02 on second reading, seconded by Jack Fingerle, and passed by Council. Bill Croto made a motion to suspend the rules and approve Ordinance 2022-02 on third reading, seconded by Jack Fingerle, and passed by Council.

Ed Underwood advised the Council Jacob Jones has resigned his position as deputy town marshal. Ed has also gotten signed up for the Academy. He will be attending June 13, 2022 to August 5, 2022. A grant has been received from the Clinton County Community Foundation to purchase AED units for the police cars. A complaint was received from Area Plan regarding the living situation at the corner gas station. He will assist with investigating further. Computers need to be replaced at the station. Council advised him to get a quote to replace the computers.

Mike Kleinpeter, Kleinpeter Consulting Group LLC, appeared before the Council to discuss the steps that would need to be followed to be eligible to apply for an OCRA grant. One of these steps includes an income survey from town residents. The cost to complete the survey would be \$3,000.00. Bill Croto made a motion to have the income survey completed, seconded by Jack Fingerle, and passed by Council.

After review of bids by Dixon Engineering, Inc. to provide an exterior overcoat, wet interior repaint, and miscellaneous repairs of the W. Ramey St. water tower, the Council moved to approve the successful bidder. Jack Fingerle made a motion to approve the bid from L & T Painting in the amount of \$212,440.00, seconded by Bill Croto, and passed by Council.

Shawn Morris presented quotes to the Council for review to provide maintenance to the clarifiers, flume, and cascade at the Wastewater Plant and vaults at the Water Pump House. This was tabled for further review.

Chad Colby reported the old shelter house has been torn down and hauled to the Clinton County Dump. The concrete blocks were hauled to Crossroads Auto Recycling.

During teardown the excavator was damaged. They are waiting on an estimate for repair.

BF& S gave a verbal estimate to assist with amending the ADA Plan to include an updated prioritization matrix in the amount of \$3,000.00. Bill Croto made a motion to proceed with the updates, seconded by Jack Fingerle, and passed by Council.

There was discussion of amending seasonal pay in the 2022 Salary Ordinance. Bill Croto made a motion to adjust the seasonal pay to \$15.50, seconded by Jack Fingerle, and passed by Council.

The ordinance to amend the current street ordinance was tabled for additional amendments.

ARP Plan Resolution 2022-02 was presented to Council for approval. The resolution defines how the ARP funding could be used. Jack Fingerle made a motion of approve ARP Resolution 2022-02, seconded by Bill Croto, and passed by Council.

There was discussion of appointing Chester Bankes to the Area Plan Board of Zoning Appeals. Following discussion, it was approved to appoint Chester Bankes to complete the unexpired term of David Bushfield on the BZA through December 31, 2022.

Council approved allowing the International Association of Sheet Metal, Air, Rail, and Transportation Workers to solicit donations at the intersection of St. Rd. 26 and 421 on Saturday, June 18, 2022 for Dollars Against Diabetes.

Dave Severt and Chad Colby discussed the meeting they had with INDOT and State Senator Ron Alting regarding the curb in front of Treece's.

Voucher Register was reviewed and approved.

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned to Tuesday, May 10, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. at the Rossville Town Hall.

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David Severt, President of the Council

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