

May 10, 2022

This is a report of the regular meeting of the Rossville Town Council on Tuesday, May 14, 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 Chad Colby, Shawn Morris, Robert Shaffer, Chester and Betty Bankes, Ed Underwood, and Steven Bowman.

David Severt called the meeting to order. Minutes from the April 12, 2022 meeting were approved as presented.

Ed Underwood reported he had spoken with the owner of the new bar concerning broken glass being left in the alley and the alley being blocked by customers visiting the business. There have not been any new issues with the dogs on N. East St. He also stated he would be attending the Police Academy soon.

Chad Colby discussed a proposal for a change order from Dixon Engineering and L&T Painting to sandblast and recoat to underground pipe vaults at the Water Pump House. Dixon Engineering will draft the change order for Council to sign if approved. Bill Croto made a motion to approve the change order and use ARP funding to sandblast and recoat the piping and vaults at the pump house, seconded by Jack Fingerle, and passed by Council. He also stated we are on Crenshaw Paving's schedule to get pot holes filled and W. Main St restored after a water leak. A water hydrant was replaced at 221 W. Ramey St.

There was extensive discussion of rehabbing the clarifiers at the Wastewater Plant. Bill Croto made a motion to proceed with the project with an approximate cost of \$75,000.00, seconded by Jack Fingerle, and passed by Council.

There was discussion of applying for another Community Crossing Grant to address the issues with S. Gaddis St. or mill off and pave other streets within the town limits. The projected cost for S. Gaddis St. is \$400,000.00 with the Town's portion amounting to \$100,000.00. After considerable discussion, Jack Fingerle made a motion to proceed with applying for Community Crossing Grant to address the issues on S. Gaddis St., seconded by Bill Croto, and passed by Council.

Chad reported the old shelter is down. All that remains is the concrete slab. Removal of this will occur at a later date. He received approval to advertise for another part time laborer position.

Robert Shaffer continued the discussion of amending the current street ordinance to address the alleys exiting onto St. Rd. 26 and St. Rd. 39. Council is considering an amended ordinance to discontinue allowing vehicles to exit from alleys onto St. Rd. 26 and St. Rd. 39.

An estimate of \$500.00 from Roger Frey to repair drywall, repaint the main room, and hallway at the pavilion was reviewed. Jack Fingerle made a motion to approve the estimate, seconded by Bill Croto, and passed by Council.

Resolution 2022-03, a resolution to transfer appropriations within the CEDIT Fund, was presented to Council for review. Bill Croto made a motion to approve Resolution 2022-03 to transfer appropriations within the CEDIT Fund, seconded by Jack Fingerle, and passed by Council.

There was discussion of HB 1002 that the Indiana Legislature recently passed stating the Utility Receipts Tax had been rescinded. Due to this passage all entities

must reduce their water rates by 1.4% effective July 1, 2022. The Ordinance 2022-02 recently passed by Council to raise the water rates effective 10% effective July 1, 2022 must now be amended to reflect the 1.4% reduction. There will be a public hearing on Tuesday, June 14, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. at the Rossville Town Hall to discuss this reduction.

The air compressor the Rossville Volunteer Fire Department uses to fill air bottles has failed. They have asked the CORR group (Clay Twp., Owen Twp., Ross Twp., and Town of Rossville) for financial assistance to replace the unit. The Town's portion will be approximately \$4,625.21. Jack Fingerle made a motion for the expenditure, seconded by Bill Croto, and passed by Council.

Amended Salary Ordinance 2022-04 was presented to Council for review and discussion. Bill Croto made a motion to approve the Amended Salary Ordinance 2022-04, seconded by Jack Fingerle, and passed by Council.

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned to Tuesday, June 14, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. at the Rossville Town Hall.

David Severt, President of the Council

Attest: _____
Patricia McIlrath
Clerk Treasurer
Rossville, IN 46065

Voucher Register was reviewed and approved as presented.