



## MEETING MINUTES

### *Work Session*

204 E. Main St. Centerville, IN. 47330

November 29, 2022

7:00 pm

### Council Members

Dan Wandersee, Pres.

Gary Holbert, V-Pres.

Jack Bodiker

James Bullen

Joshua Tudor

### Council Members present:

Dan Wandersee, Gary Holbert, Jack Bodiker, Josh Tudor, James Bullen

### Council Members absent:

None

Town Clerk-Treasurer: Present. Deputy Clerk-Treasurer, Sarah Rice present

Town attorney: Not present

Call to order the regular meeting at 7:00 pm. Roll taken.

### TOWN GENERAL

#### New Business:

1. Sheriff Randy Retter spoke on purchasing encrypted radios for clarification. He went on to explain the reason they want to purchase the radios and make the transition. Being able to contact other agencies to help protect the public is one of the main reasons for wanting to go with this type of radio. Another reason is that technology has advanced to the point that older models aren't able to be fixed because there are no parts, they can now order. Sheriff Retter went on to reiterate that they need to keep up with these advances in technology to better serve our communities and clarified that their agency doesn't have ulterior motives and they absolutely want to be able to be in contact during emergencies and this will not affect that. It also would not change anything for the firefighters. The radios are similar to the models now in the sense they have frequencies, but the new ones have an extra encryption frequency. It was stated their department hasn't paid for or received these radios yet. The model specifications weren't known off hand, but he said it is a 4000 series Motorola. James Bullen talked about the new radios and asked if they would help the SRO at the school with signals and Sheriff Retter stated they do not enhance the signal, only add an encrypted channel. He also spoke about getting repeaters for the schools. Dan Wandersee asked if he could email the meeting minutes to all of the local Chiefs so those unable to attend can be updated with information. It was also stated that you can get a package discount when buying the new equipment.
2. Mitchell Eschweiler with Baker Tilly spoke about our Rate Study with the water and electric departments. The information is included in the packets.

3. Salary Ordinance 2022-05 (Setting Salary for 2023) was read for the second time, *Jack motions, and Josh seconds. 5 ayes/0 nays. Motion carried.*
4. 3<sup>rd</sup> and final reading of the Salary Ordinance 2022-05, *motion made by Gary and James seconds. 5 ayes/0 nays. Motion carried.*
5. The coroner has a cooler they're no longer using, we were given written notice to terminate the interlocal agreement by letter dated October 27, 2022, from the Director of Facilities and Development, and is wanting to donate it to Union County, if they will pick it up. *James motions, Josh second. 5 ayes/0 nays. Motion carried.*
6. First reading of the Ordinance 2022-06 for additional appropriations for year-end. A public hearing will be on December 13, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. *Motion by Josh, second by Jack. 5 ayes/0 nays.*
7. Josh goes over the Insurance quotes and suggested we include vision and dental since we are still saving a lot of money. *Motion set by Jack, second by Josh. 5 ayes/0 nays. Motion carried.*

**Department Reports:**

1. Building Commissioner – Mr. Tanner at 309 N 4<sup>th</sup> Street told Gerald he would donate the land there to the town if we agreed to do the demo on the building ourselves. *Gary made a motion to pursue the property, and James seconds. 5 ayes/0 nay. Motion carried.*

2. Police Department – None

3. Fire Department –

- Dennis said the food drive went great and they were able to give around 70 households meals for the holiday. The Christmas food drive will be on December 17<sup>th</sup>, and boxing the food on the 16<sup>th</sup>. Will be delivered on Dec 17<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m.
- The department finished off its year on 11/1/22. They finished with 550 calls.
- Grant work for Fire Station One continues. Needing more letters in support of the grant. The next discussion will be on December 13<sup>th</sup>, 2022 after the public hearing.

4. Utility Manager –

**Street-** Asset Report has submitted Community Crossing for 2023 in order to be in the running.

**Water-** Needs a new system to upgrade the water booster station on the north end of town. Bid from Maxim Automation for the amount of \$33,475.00 for materials and labor. *James motions to accept the bid. Jack second. 5 ayes/0 nays.*

**Wastewater/Stormwater-** 874 & 916 Rice Rd- The land is clear with no building, requesting a lower rate. Sent to legal. Gary motions, James seconds. 5 ayes/0 nays. Motion carried.

**Electric-**The new pole attachments with New Lisbon Broadband and Communications LLC. , has a 1-time licensing fee and a fee for each pole attachment. James motioned. Gary seconds. 5 ayes/0 nays. Motion carried.  
Federal Grant money for utility upgrade. IMPA has been in contact. Good chance of getting it.

Update on the charging station- Rates were changed the day after the last meeting. A few more users in November compared to October.

December 8<sup>th</sup> is our employee Christmas lunch in the council's room

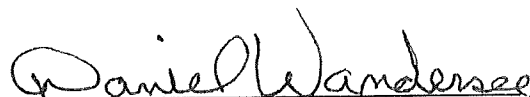
5. Clerk-Treasurer- None

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Council Meeting: December 13, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. in the council room.
- Public Hearing: December 13, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. on the fire station and additional appropriations.
- Christmas in Centerville: Saturday, December 3, 2022, from 4-7 p.m.
- Town Building: Closed Friday, December 23, and Monday, December 26, 2022, for Christmas.

CLOSE- Motion by James to close. 2<sup>nd</sup> motion was carried by Gary at 8:58 pm. 5 ayes/0 nays.

  
Richard K Tincher, Clerk-Treasurer

  
Dan Wandersee, Council President