### **MEETING MINUTES**

## PRINCE'S LAKES TOWN COUNCIL

# PRINCE'S LAKES TOWN HALL, 14 E LAKEVIEW DR, NINEVEH, IN 46164 May 17, 2021

COUNCILORS PRESENT:

COUNCIL PRESIDENT GREG NELSON

VICE PRESIDENT MIKE GALLAMORE

COUNCILOR TROY MEADOWS COUNCILOR PHILIP MONTARSI COUNCILOR KAREN HARRISON

CLERK-TREASURER PRESENT:

ERICA LYDEN-GIGER

TOWN ATTORNEY PRESENT:

LEE ROBBINS

STAFF PRESENT:

MARSHAL GREG SOUTHERS

WATER SUPT SCOTT BLACKWELL

STREET SUPERINTENDENT AREC BURTON

**GUEST SPEAKER:** 

Stephanie Sichting – Johnson County Emergency

Management

PUBLIC PRESENT:

ANTHONY GIGER DENNIS LANAHAN PAUL HUMBLES

Council President Nelson called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance

### **PUBLIC FORUM:**

Stephanie Sichting from Johnson County Emergency Management asked the Council to approve RESOLUTION 2021-2 A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE JOHNSON COUNTY MULTI-HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN

After discussion,

Council Vice President Mike Gallamore made a motion to approve RESOLUTION 2021-2 A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE JOHNSON COUNTY MULTI-HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN Council President Greg Nelson seconded the motion and passed unanimously. Dennis Lanahan asked the Council to approve the pickleball players painting the inside of the pickleball court blue. Mr. Lanahan also asked the Council if a security light can be turned on at the court. Town Marshal Greg Southers said he would explore options.

#### After discussion,

Council Vice President Mike Gallamore made a motion to approve the painting of the pickleball courts. Council President Greg Nelson seconded the motion and passed unanimously.

Paul Humbles informed the Council that he has a meeting with Building Inspector, Thomas Thompson about demolishing his house and putting in a foundation. Mr. Gallamore informed Mr. Humbles that he has had a lot of complaints about the overgrown weeds and vegetation on the property. Mr. Humbles explained that he will have a lawncare company this week to clean up the property.

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

➤ Council President Nelson made a motion to approve the April 19, 2021 Regular Meeting minutes. Councilor Phil Montarsi seconded the motion and passed unanimously.

#### **TOWN MARSHAL REPORT:**

Marshal Greg Southers informed the Council that the truck that was approved to purchase last month is no longer available and needs to purchase a different one. Marshal Southers asked the Council to approve another bid from John Jones for \$32,087.00

#### After discussion,

➤ Council Vice President Mike Gallamore made a motion to approve the purchase of the 2021Dodge Ram from John Jones in the amount of \$32,087.00. Councilor Montarsi seconded the motion and passed unanimously.

#### WATER/WASTEWATER REPORT:

Superintendent Scott Blackwell informed the Council that they have installed about 1200 new meters. It will be around 5-6 weeks until the fence around the wells will be installed. Mr. Gallamore asked if motion detectors were going to be purchased. Mr. Blackwell responded that he has not explored that option yet. Mr. Blackwell also informed the Council that the new water tower in Trafalgar is not filling completely. He has spoken with the engineers and their computer modules show the tower should be filling. They are still working on the problem to see why it is not filling completely.

Mr. Robbins opened the sealed bids for the equipment auction. \*see addendum for complete list and winners\*

Mr. Blackwell will contact the winners of the equipment auction.

### STREET DEPARTMENT REPORT:

Superintendent Arec Burton spoke about the paving project. He informed the Council that there was an issue on Gerking. He is going to contact Dave O'Mara to return and fix the issue.

### **CLERK-TREASURER REPORT:**

Clerk-Treasurer Erica Lyden-Giger presented the Council with claims for the Town in the amount of \$128,163.49 and Water and Wastewater claims for \$284,653.23

After discussion,

Council President Nelson made a motion to approve claims for the Town in the amount of \$128,163.49 and Water and Wastewater claims for \$284,653.23 Councilor Montarsi seconded the motion and passed unanimously.

Mrs. Lyden-Giger also presented the Council with claims as listed;

- Request #6 for HWC invoice 24 for \$500 of the \$8,750 invoice (that is all that is left on AMP \$8,250 will come from regular SRF loan
- SRF #44 for HWC invoice #25 and AMP remaining for AMP invoice #6 of \$8,250 totaling the \$11,050
- SRF #45 for Pheonix Fabricators pay app 13 totaling \$21,853.35
- SRF #46 for Sub-Surface pay app 13 totaling \$45,475.50

After discussion,

➤ Council President Nelson made a motion to approve claims as presented. Councilor Meadows seconded the motion and passed unanimously.

### **ATTORNEY'S REPORT:**

Town Attorney Lee Robbins presented and asked the Council to approve RESOLUTION 2021-3 A RESOLUTION TO ADOPT A NEW EMPLOYMENT POLICY MANUAL

After discussion,

➤ Council President Nelson made a motion to approve **RESOLUTION 2021-3 A RESOLUTION TO ADOPT A NEW EMPLOYMENT POLICY MANUAL** as presented with an effected dated of June 1, 2021. Councilor Meadows seconded the motion and passed unanimously.

Mr. Robbins presented and asked the Council to approve ORDINANCE 2021-5
ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 2020-5 TO INCREASE THE COMPENSATION
FOR CERTAIN PRINCE'S LAKES EMPLOYEES

After discussion,

Council Vice President Gallamore made a motion to approve ORDINANCE 2021-5

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 2020-5 TO INCREASE THE

COMPENSATION FOR CERTAIN PRINCE'S LAKES EMPLOYEES as presented on first reading and upon suspension of rules on second reading. Councilor Meadows seconded the motion and passed unanimously.

Mr. Robbins informed the Council that court case, involving the property on Lilly Lane, CAUSE NO. 41D01-2101-MI-000029 has been settled in favor of North Lake Conservancy District. The settlement has been reached in the amount of \$2,925.00. Mr. Robbins asked the Council to approve payment of \$2,925.00 to North Lake Conservancy District for exceptional benefits.

After discussion,

Councilor Montarsi made a motion to approve payment of \$2,295.00 to North Lake Conservancy District for exceptional benefits. Council President Nelson seconded the motion and passed unanimously.

Mr. Robbins also asked for instructions on what to communicate to Mr. Payne for acceptable terms of sale for the lot on Lilly Lane. Mr. Gallamore spoke that the Council was in agreement before the settlement was reach that the lot was to be cleared and the house demolished as part of the sale, and had 60 days in which to do so. Mr. Robbins informed the Council that \$13,000.00 is the minimum they need to sell the lot, and that would also cover legal fees.

After discussion,

Council Vice President Gallamore made a motion for a purchase price of \$13,000.00 for the property on Lilly Lane to Doug Payne. Mr. Payne will remove the debris and clear the lot within 60 days of date of closing. Councilor Montarsi seconded the motion and passed unanimously.

# **OLD BUSINESS:**

Mr. Blackwell asked the Council to approve the Wastewater refunds for the 6 properties that have been overcharged.

After discussion,

➤ Council President Nelson made a motion to authorize Scott Blackwell to refund overpayment of wastewater customers that were overcharged. If customer can produce records to prove when property was torn down, the refund will be for that full amount, if the customer cannot prove when the house was torn down, the Town will refund 36 months of wastewater payments. Councilor Meadows seconded the motion and the motion passed. Councilor Harrison abstained.

Mr. Robbins informed the Council that he has issued to Monica Spears a Weed & Rank Vegetation Order. Requiring the lot be cut down to the proper height, the weeds, vines, and samplings be cut down. Mr. Robbins received confirmation that she has received the order and has 10 days to comply. After which the Town will be able to clear the lot. After discussion, Marshal Southers will contact a local tree removal company to assess the property and get a quote.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Mr. Gallamore spoke to the Council about having another planning session in the near future.

### **ADJOURNMENT:**

➤ Council Vice President Gallamore made a motion to adjourn. Council President Nelson seconded the motion and carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 8:03 pm

Respectfully submitted,

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Erica Lyden-Giger

Clerk-Treasurer

Council:

Council President Greg Nelson

Council Vice President Mike Gallamore

Councilor Proy Meadows

Councilor Philip Montarsi

Councilor Karen Harrison