BOURBON TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

NOVEMBER 8, 2022

A regular meeting of the Town Council for Bourbon, Indiana was held at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 8, 2022, with Council Members, Ward Byers, Les McFarland, Terry Clemens, Attorney Alex Hoover, and Clerk-Treasurer Kimberly Berger present in person. The meeting was opened to the public and livestreamed via YouTube Channel.

<u>MINUTES:</u> Member Clemens made a motion to approve the minutes of the October 11th and October 18th, 2022, meetings, which was seconded by Member McFarland and carried by a vote of 3 Ayes, 0 Nays.

OLD BUSINESS: There was no old business to come before the council.

<u>NEW BUSINESS</u>: President Byers introduced Greg Hildebrand the interim director of Marshall County Economic Development. Mr. Hildebrand stated that he and his board would review the proposed contract for 2023 and will advise of any changes. He also stated that he would be willing to help with any project that the town may need assistance in.

President Byers introduced Melea Hoffer. Mrs. Hoffer is willing to serve on the Plan Commission as the representative in our two-mile zoning. Member McFarland questioned the appointment resulting in 6 members. He was advised that Patti Kitch whom served in that spot previously no longer served. Member Clemens motioned to approve the appointment, Member McFarland offered the second and it passed 3 Ayes, 0 Nays.

Ryan Anderson, JPR Engineering, was in attendance to present CCMG pay app #2 for approval. Member McFarland motioned to approve, Member Clemens added a second and it passed 3 Ayes, 0 Nays.

President Byers turned over the Wessler Contract Amendment #3 to Clerk-Treasurer Berger for explanation. Due to the Council stating that they did not want to pursue an OCRA grant, Wessler's assistance in that process will result in a reduction of engineering fees by \$3,400.00.

REPORTS FROM DEPARTMENT HEADS:

Ms. Berger asked for approval of claims #4833 – 4924 in the amount of \$512,162.98. Member Clemens motioned to approve the claims, Member McFarland offered the second and the motion passed 3 Ayes, 0 Nays.

Berger informed the community that the tree lighting and arrival of Santa will be held on Saturday, December 3rd at 6:00 pm. The Town is joining with The Standard for a day and evening of holiday festivities downtown.

Chief William Martin submitted the monthly report. Martin presented a resignation letter for Patrolman Alex Truty effective November 12, 2022. Member McFarland motioned to approve the resignation, Member Clemens seconded the motion and the motion passed 3 Ayes, 0 Nays. Chief Martin was advised to check with our current part-time and reserve officers to see if there was any interest, and if not, to advertise the position.

Member McFarland stated that the County will purchase Truty's bullet proof vest at a prorated amount of \$480.00. Member Clemens motioned to approve, President Byers offered the second and the motion passed 2 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Abstained.

Roger Terry, Supervisor of Public Works, presented his activity report and the report of the Utility Department. Terry advised that leaf pickup will end on Wednesday, November 23rd.

Chuck Dewitt, Zoning Department was not present until towards the end of the meeting.

Chad Stepp, Fire Chief, was present and gave an update that his department responded to 6 calls the past month. The department held their election of officers for 2023 and the officers remained the same with the exception that Annalyse Lindsey will serve as Secretary/Treasurer for 2023.

TOWN ATTORNEY: Mr. Hoover stated that there is an upcoming hearing on November 18, 2022, on the Jackson and Konkle properties.

<u>PATRON'S COMMENTS:</u> Karen Bellman of 2456 12B Road, Bourbon, was present to ask about selling a piece of property to her sister and then hooking up to the town utilities. Currently, this piece of property is not within the town limits. Member McFarland asked if they would be willing to annex that home into the Town and they stated they would. Clerk-Treasurer Berger reminded them that the cost to do this would be their responsibility. President Byers stated that they need to work with Chuck Dewitt on the next steps involving the Plan Commission.

COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS: There were no council member comments

<u>ADJOURNMENT</u>: Being no further business to come before the Council, Member Clemens made the motion to adjourn at 6:24 p.m., a second was offered by Member McFarland and carried by a vote of 3 ayes, 0 nays.

TEST: Kimberly A. Berger Clerk Treasur

Ward Byers, President