BOURBON TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

DECEMBER 13, 2022

A regular meeting of the Town Council for Bourbon, Indiana was held at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, December 13, 2022, with Council Members, Ward Byers, Les McFarland, Attorney Alex Hoover, and Clerk-Treasurer Kimberly Berger present in person. The meeting was opened to the public.

MINUTES: Member McFarland made a motion to approve the minutes of the November 8th, 2022, meeting, which was seconded by President Byers and carried by a vote of 2 Ayes, 0 Nays.

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

<u>NEW BUSINESS:</u> President Byers presented the Fire Department Contract between the Town of Bourbon and Bourbon Township. Member McFarland motioned to approve, President Byers offered the second and the motion passed 2 Ayes, 0 Nays.

Byers then introduced Ordinance 2022-05 stating the new trash/recycling rate of \$15.83 per household for 2023. Member McFarland motioned to approve, President Byers offered the second and the motion passed 2 Ayes, 0 Nays.

Salary Ordinance 2022-04 was presented for approval. There was no discussion on the matter. Member McFarland motioned to approve, President Byers offered the second and the motion passed 2 Ayes, 0 Nays.

Byers introduced Resolution 2022-13 allowing the transfer of dormant funds to the General Fund. Member McFarland motioned to approve, President Byers offered the second and the motion passed 2 Ayes, 0 Nays.

Resolution 2022-14 addressing the authorized Signer for INDOT projects. The authorized signer will be Kimberly Berger, Clerk-Treasurer. Member McFarland motioned to approve, President Byers offered the second and the motion passed 2 Ayes, 0 Nays.

President Byers presented Change order #2 from Haskins Underground for the Wastewater Lift Station OCRA Project. Member McFarland motioned to approve, President Byers offered the second and the motion passed 2 Ayes, 0 Nays.

Pay App 5 in the amount of \$119,110.64 and Pay App 6 in the amount of \$30,885.19 was presented for approval. Member McFarland motioned to approve, President Byers offered the second and the motion passed 2 Ayes, 0 Nays.

<u>REPORTS FROM DEPARTMENT HEADS:</u> Ms. Berger asked for approval of claims #4925-5019 in the amount of \$333,790.21. Member McFarland motioned to approve the claims, President Byers offered the second and the motion passed 2 Ayes, 0 Nays.

Chief William Martin submitted the monthly report. Martin asked the council in order to entice and retain new police officers that the probationary pay be removed, and any new officer hired in would receive the pay per the salary ordinance for a patrolman. Member McFarland motioned to approve, President Byers offered the second and the motion passed 2 Ayes, 0 Nays. Chief Martin also would like to reinstate reimbursement of costs of the academy, uniforms, etc for a new hire in the event that they did not stay a certain length of time. Attorney Hoover is finalizing the wording and this matter will be addressed in the January meeting. Member McFarland asked if that agreement would hold up in court and Attorney stated that it would.

Roger Terry, Supervisor of Public Works, was not present. President Byers, in his absence, stated that brush pick up would be suspended for the winter months. Byers also announced that the Town received a Community Crossing grant in the amount of \$135,307.88.

Chuck Dewitt, Zoning Department stated that the Plan Commission is continuing working on the Zoning ordinance and will be making recommendations for changes in the near future.

Chad Stepp, Fire Chief, was present and gave an update that his department responded to 9 calls the past month. Stepp also advised the council that new walk-in doors and overhead garage doors will be getting replaced in several months. Bourbon Township will be providing the funding for these updates.

<u>TOWN ATTORNEY</u>: Mr. Hoover stated that a court hearing was conducted on November 18, 2022, concerning the Jackson and Konkle properties. Hoover said that Judge Palmer gave the owners until January 19th, the date of the new hearing, to bring their properties into compliance.

PATRON'S COMMENTS: There were no Patron's Comments.

COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS

President Byers stated that Member Clemens had been approached concerning the installation of a generator at the EMS facility. President Byers and Member McFarland stated that we could get a quote on the cost.

<u>ADJOURNMENT:</u> Being no further business to come before the Council, Member McFarland made the motion to adjourn at 6:16 p.m., a second was offered by President Byers and carried by a vote of 2 Ayes, 0 Nays.

TIJEST:

Kimberly A. Berger, Clerk Treasurer

Ward Byers, President