

## MINUTES TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

August 12, 2019

The Town Council meeting was called to order by Ron Troyer at 4:00 p.m. August 12, 2019 with the following persons present:

Ron Troyer	Ray Folk	Pete Kaufman	Justin Geigley
Naomi Miller	Stewart Bender	Cyndi Sadewasser	Bill Eberhard
Stan Strater	Adam Lambright	Harold Gingerich	

### Minutes

Ray moved that the minutes for the last council meeting be approved. Justin seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

### Clerk-Treasurer

The board approved the claims as read. Ray made the motion, Justin seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Naomi shared the new look to the water bills displaying a picture of the Town Hall at the top of the bill.

The draft to the 2020 Salary Ordinance was discussed and reviewed.

A request was made to the Council for a donation to James Shetler for a barn project where animals will be housed as therapy for children. Pete made a motion to donate \$1000, Ray seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Jeff Carlisle's letter of resignation from the Redevelopment Commission was shared with council. Ray made a motion to accept the resignation of Jeff Carlisle, Pete seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

A letter from Justin Geigley was given to the council expressing interest in filling the vacancy on the Redevelopment Commission. Ray Folk also stated an interest in the position. Pete made a motion for Justin, no second was made, so motion died. Board was advised by counsel to cast a vote at the next meeting when the new board member is voted in to fill the current vacancy.

Five quotes were given to the council for the creation of a new town website. Naomi recommended LaGwana as the website developer for \$4,300. Pete made a motion to have LaGwana create the Town of Topeka website, Ray seconded the motion and Justin abstained. Motion carried unanimously.

#### Town Manager

A building recommendation was requested for 212 Zook Street for a garage. Pete made a motion to for a positive recommendation for 212 Zook Street to build a garage. Justin seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Stewart presented to council a quote from Frontier Geospatial for an annual cost of \$1,200 for year 2020 providing GIS support to our GIS network. A pro-rated amount for 2019 is \$480. Ray made a motion to accept this proposal, Pete seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Quotes were given to the council for replacing the PD roof. Northeast Indian Roofing came in at \$6,066; Integrity Home Services, LLC quoted for \$9,240. Michiana Quality Roofing, LLC quoted for \$6,234. A motion was made by Ray to accept the quote with Northeast Indiana Roofing as long as the quote includes installing soffit and guttering. Pete seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

A sewer update was shared with the council showing a construction total for the new plant of \$6,118,573. The permit request was signed and submitted to IDEM.

Stewart has set up 2 interviews this week for the Waste Water Superintendent. Pete made a motion was made to allow Stewart to offer the job for the right candidate on behalf of the council with a pay rate between \$41,600 and \$48,000. Ray seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Larry and Pauline Yoder requested town water be ran to their house on S. Main extended. The sewer is already running to their home. Ray made a motion to have Stewart get contractor quotes, Pete seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

A discussion was had on the new property purchased last year.

Fire Chief

January through July Activity and Financial Reports were shared with the council.

Town Marshal

Marshal Strater gave the Police Department's June Reports.


Town Attorney

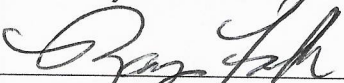
Bill presented a listing of updates needed for the Codification. Council will review and discuss at the next Town Council meeting.

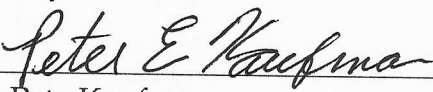
In September Bill will review the TIF alignment for the town.


Next Meeting

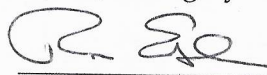
The next Town Council meeting will be held at Topeka Town Hall on August 26, 2019 at 4:00 p.m. There being no other business to be brought before the Board the meeting was adjourned at 5:10 pm.


  
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Ray Folk, Vice President

  
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Naomi Miller, Clerk-Treasurer

