

**Topeka Town Council**  
**124 E. Lake Street, Topeka, Indiana**  
**General Meeting Minutes, February 10, 2020 at 4:00pm**

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Council Member Ron Troyer called the meeting to order with Council Member Eash, Council Member Folk, Council Member Lambright, Council Member Geigley and Clerk-Treasurer Naomi Miller present.

Also, in attendance was Stewart Bender, Bill Eberhard, Stan Strater, Cyndi Sadewasser, Marjorie Thompson, Harold Gingerich, Casey Erwin with DLZ, Aldon Miller and Doug Fought.

Council Member Geigley moved to accept the minutes from January 27, 2020 General Meeting Minutes as written. The motion was seconded by Council Member Lambright and passed unanimously.

**Clerk-Treasurer**

Council Member Folk moved to pay all bills as presented. The motion was seconded by Council Member Eash and passed unanimously.

The LaGrange County 4-H Club requested a sponsorship for 2020 Fair. Council Member Folk made a motion to make a \$300 donation as has been done in previous years. Council Member Geigley seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

An Interlocal Cooperation Agreement was presented to the council. This agreement is between the Town and Westview School Corporation. The school will provide coverage of the crossing guard and the town will provide the equipment and pay. Council Member Geigley made a motion to adopt the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement. Council Member Eash seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

An audit from INPRS was done from 2018 to 2019. There was no financial issues and two date of hire's that need corrected. The Town passed the INPRS audit.

### **Town Manager/Fire Chief**

Manager Bender presented the council with Tom Sheline's letter of resignation. Council Member Folk made a motion to accept Tom Sheline's letter of resignation and to begin advertising for the position; Council Member Lambright seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

A quote for \$4409 for a meter for Champion Homes was given to the council. With new audit requirements from IDEM and EPA with water loss, the town needs to purchase this meter, and have it installed in their sprinkler system refill line so we can account for water used. Council Member Folk made a motion to purchase the meter and hire the installation. Council Member Eash seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Bid awarding for the 2020 Street Project was discussed with Casey Erwin with DLZ. Based on information provided the recommendation is to award the project to HRP Construction as the lowest, most responsive and responsible bidder.

API Construction Corp	\$1,215,381.50
HRP Construction	\$ 970,617.60
Niblock Excavating	\$1,124,700.50
Rieth-Riley	\$1,289,798.25

Council Member Folk made a motion to accept the bids as received and award the contract to HRP Construction and send the TIF recommendation to the RDC. Council Member Geigley seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

The Notice of Award for the 2020 Street project, Form 96 as submitted by HRP Construction, execution of Owner-Contractor Agreement and CCMG paperwork being submitted to INDOT for the 2020 Street projects, all need to be signed outside of a regularly scheduled meeting to meet the CCMG deadline of February 21, 2020. Council Member Folk made a motion to allow signing of said documents prior to the next scheduled meeting. Council Member Geigley seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

### **Town Marshal**

A new server and computers are needed for the Police Department. A quote from Mapletonics was presented for \$10,688.30. This funding will come out of the Police Safety Tax Fund. Council Member Folk made a motion to approve the purchased of the server and computers and Council Member Geigley seconded the motion. It carried unanimously.

**Attorney**


A Resolution declaring of official intent of the Town to be reimbursed for costs and expenditures contributed to the sewer facilities and infrastructure project and financing from bond proceeds, 2010.02.10 (A), was presented to the council. Council Member Folk made a motion to adopts Resolution 2010.02.10 (A) and Council Member Eash seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

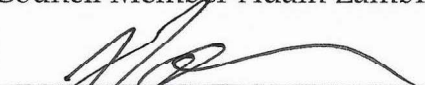
**Next Meeting**

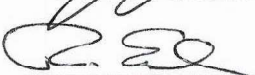
The next Town Council meeting will be held at Topeka Town Hall on February 24, 2020 at 4:00 p.m. There being no other business to be brought before the Board the meeting was adjourned at 4:43 pm.

  
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Council Member Ron Troyer, President

  
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Council Member Ray Folk, Vice President

  
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Council Member Adam Lambright

  
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Council Member Justin Geigley

  
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Council Member Ron Eash

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Naomi Miller, Clerk-Treasurer, IAMC