

Topeka Town Council 124 E. Lake Street, Topeka, Indiana General Meeting Minutes, November 9, 2020 at 4:00pm

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Call to order by Council President Ron Troyer - Common Council Meeting

Roll Call

Present: Council Member Ron Troyer, Adam Lambright, Ron Eash, Town Manager Stewart Bender and Clerk Treasurer, Naomi Miller

Absent: Council Members Ray Folk

Others in attendance: Michael Stump with Forest River

Attendance via Zoom: Buddy Miller; Wastewater Superintendent, James McDonald; Council Member, Justin Geigley and Town Attorney Bill Eberhard

Minutes from previous meeting of October 26,2020

Motion to Approve: Ron Eash Second: Adam Lambright

Vote: All Ayes

Naomi Miller, Clerk-Treasurer

Claim Register - APV 13225 - 13377

Motion to Approve: Adam Lambright

Second: Ron Eash

Vote: All Ayes

2021 Salary Ordinance

Motion to Approve: Ron Eash

Second: Adam Lambright

Vote: All Ayes

Stewart Bender, Town Manager/Fire Chief

Road Inventory Update 2020

- An updated 2020 road inventory mileage submittal to the Office of Asset Management and Road Inventory
- Ordinance 2020-9 for the following additions

| 0 | Todd Street | Miles - 0.048 | Feet - 251' |
|---|----------------------|---------------|-------------|
| 0 | Zook Street | Miles - 0.137 | Feet - 724' |
| 0 | South Babcock Street | Miles - 0.028 | Feet - 149' |
| 0 | Crossfire Drive | Miles - 0 119 | Feet - 627' |

Motion to Approve: Adam Lambright Second: Ron Eash

Vote: All Ayes

Lagoon Closure/Sell

Forest River Appraisal \$56,000 - Town Appraisal \$247,000 - Average of 2 appraisals \$223,250 or \$23,500/acre

- Mike Stump with Forest River shared concerns over the appraisal the town received via written form
- An Executive Session has been set for November 17th at 5pm at the Topeka Town Hall.
 - o Mike stump with Forest River was invited to attend this meeting.
- Fire Department financials and incident reports emailed to council prior to meeting for October
- October Water consumption emailed to council prior to meeting for review

Appraisal for old Fire Station and lagoon

- Received both appraisals
- Will review at the next council meeting

MapleTronics Quote

A quote for \$3,805 to have VPN access for the officers when not in the PD
Motion to Approve: Ron Eash
Second: Adam Lambright

Vote: All Ayes

Attorney

- Entering into final discussions with Westview for the TIF subdivision
- Engagement letter agreement related to services from Baker Tilly
 - o Assist in understanding TIF based bonds
 - o Give Westview numbers for during life of bond and post bond
 - o Services not to exceed \$12,500
- o Clerk-Treasurer is looking into finances once Final Pay Ap from road project is received Motion to Approve if Clerk-Treasurer has the finances available and to recommend to the RDC Board: Ron Eash

Second: Adam Lambright Vote: All Ayes

Short Term Medical Leave

- Currently Aflac is offered to employees to purchase Short Term Medical
- Looking into other options for employees.

Adjournment

4:30pm

Next General Council meeting: November 23, 2020 at 4p.m.

Council Member Adam Lambright

Council Member Ray Folk, Vice President

Council Member Ron Troyer, President

Louncil Member Justin Geigley

Council Marther Ron Eash

Naomi Miller, Clerk-Treasurer, IAMC