

**Topeka Town Council**  
**124 E. Lake Street, Topeka, Indiana**  
**General Meeting Minutes, May 10, 2021 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, Ray Folk, Justin Geigley, Ron Eash, Adam Lambright, Town Manager Stewart Bender, Town Attorney Bill Eberhard, Deputy Clerk Treasurer, Cyndi Sadewasser

Others in attendance: Harold Gingerich, Doug Fought, Marshal Stan Strater, Jr, Amy Oberlin and Casey Erwin with DLZ

Attendance via Zoom: None

Absent: None

**Minutes from previous meeting of April 26, 2021 for Common Council**

Motion to Approve: Ray Folk

Seconded: Ron Eash

Vote: All Ayes

**Naomi Miller, Clerk-Treasurer**

Claim Register – APV 14055 – 14130

Motion to Approve: Ron Eash

Seconded: Justin Geigley

Vote: All Ayes

**Stewart Bender, Town Manager/Fire Chief**

Hearing on the Quit Claim Deed

- Stewart made a report on the Quit Claim
  - This is to clean up the lines on the property behind the Sewer Plant
- Quit Claim for Peter Liegl
- Quit Claim for DJM Real Estate Holdings, LLC
- Quit Claim for Egli Investments, Incorporated
- Quit Claim for Forest River, Inc
- Quit Claim for Tri-County Land Trustee Corporation
- Public Hearing was closed

Motion for President to Execute the deeds: Ray Folk

Seconded: Justin Geigley

Vote: All Ayes

**Concrete Removal from Lagoons**

- Old concrete on the banks of the lagoons needs removed and hauled off
  - This is required to complete the lagoon closure
- Quote from Sunnybrook Excavating, LLC for \$6,750
- Quote from Pulver Asphalt Paving, Inc for \$11,000



- Quote from SAR Excavating for \$16,750
  - Town Manger Bender recommended the Sunnybrook Excavating
- Motion to approve the quote from Sunnybrook Excavating, LLC for \$6,750: Ray Folk
- Seconded: Adam Lambright
- Vote: All Ayes

April Water Consumption Report emailed to council prior to the meeting.

### School Crossing Sign

- Quote from Astro Optics, LLC for \$2,749
- Sign is for East Lake Street by Town Hall

Motion to Purchase from Astro Optics for \$2,749: Ron Eash  
Vote: All Ayes

# Notice to Proceed on the 2021 Street Improvements

Notification was sent to local businesses on the road construction.

Motion: Ron Eash                      Seconded: Justin Geigley                      Vote: All Ayes

Town Attorney

An Ordinance, 2021-17, Amending the Topeka Town Code by Adding the ARP Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund

- ARP provided \$350 billion in emergency funding to state and local governments.
  - Topeka will be a recipient of that funding.
- SBOA requires a separate fund be created, FUND 176

Motion to Approve Ordinance 2021-17: Justin Geigley  
Vote: All Ayes

A Resolution Terminating the Wastewater Bond and Interest Fund, 2021-27

- Bond has been paid off for the last 2 years.
- Fund is no longer in use.

Motion: Ray Folk                      Seconded: Adam Lambright                      Vote: All Ayes

## Park Board

- Resolution, 2021-26, of Support by the Topeka, Indiana Board of Parks and Recreation
- Dissolution of the Topeka Board of Parks and Recreation
- This will be shared with last remaining Park Board Member, Katherine Wallace.

## Park Authority

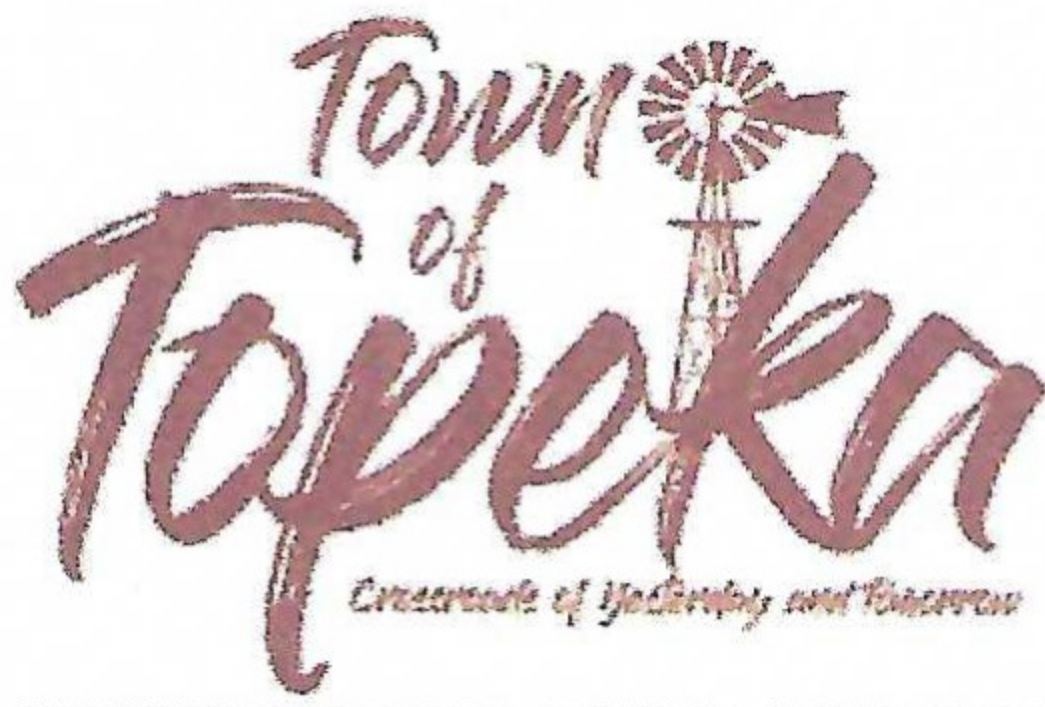
- An Ordinance, 2021-16, Establishing the Topeka Town Park Authority
- A hearing will be held on this ruling

Motion to proceed with hearing: Ray Folk  
Seconded: Justin Geigley  
Vote: All Ayes

Park Secretary

- Attorney Eberhard looked into recommendation from Ron Troyer to remove the secretary pay for the Park Secretary, Clerk-Treasurer.
- By law, the town is unable to reduce the Clerk-Treasurer Salary.
- There will still be a Park Authority that a secretary would be needed for minutes.
- This will be reviewed on the 2022 Salary Ordinance.





## REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

124 E. Lake St, Topeka, Indiana

General Meeting Minutes, May 10, 2021 at 4:32pm

Call to order by President Justin Geigley - Redevelopment Commission Meeting

### Roll Call

Present: RDC Board Member, Justin Geigley, Adam Lambright, Harold Gingerich, Ron Troyer, Doug Fought, Town Manager Stewart Bender, and Deputy Clerk Treasurer, Cyndi Sadewasser

Others in attendance: Ron Eash, Ray Folk and Marshal Stan Strater, Attorney Bill Eberhard, Amy Oberlin

Attendance via Zoom: None

### Minutes from previous meeting of April 12, 2021

Motion to Approve: Ron ~~Eash~~ ~~Troyer~~ Second: Doug Fought Vote: All Ayes

### Clerk-Treasurer

Claim Register - APV 14017 - 14080

Motion to Approve: Adam Lambright Second: Doug Fought Vote: All Ayes

Justin Geigley, RDC Member resigned from the board effective 5/11/2021 due to lack of housing opportunities in Topeka.

Motion: Harold Gingerich Seconded: Doug Fought Vote: All Ayes

### Town Manager


An update was given on the 2021 Road work

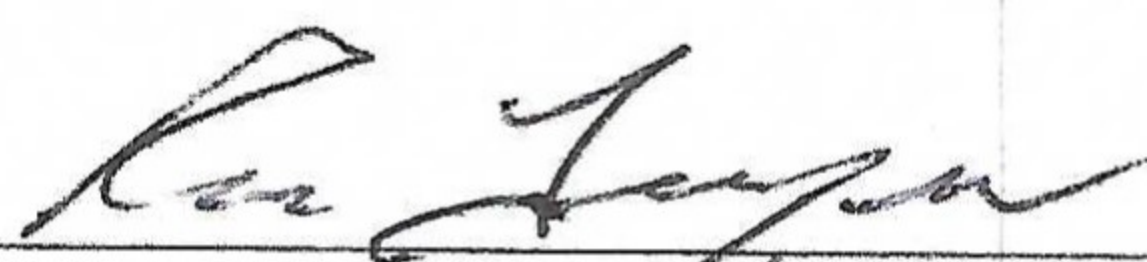
### Adjournment


- Adjourn at 4:50pm
- Next General Redevelopment Commission meeting: June 14, 2021 at 4:30p.m. or following the Town Council meeting

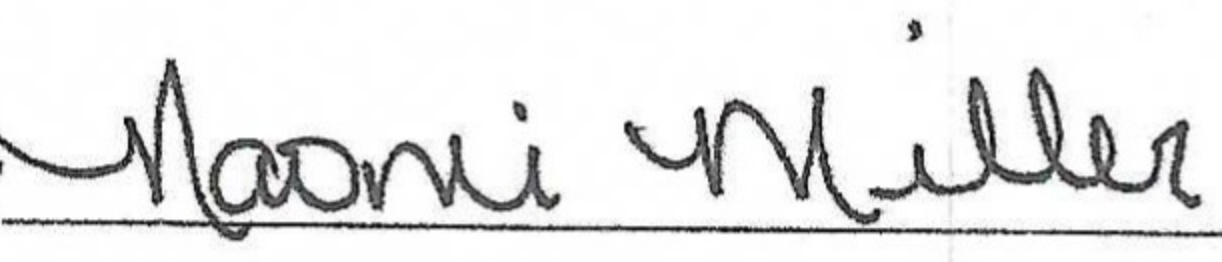
Board Member Justin Geigley, President

  
Board Member Doug Fought, Vice President

  
Board Member Harold Gingerich

  
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ATTEST

