

Topeka Town Council
124 E. Lake Street, Topeka, Indiana
General Meeting Minutes, November 8, 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, Steve Schrock, Adam Lambright, Doug Fought and Town Manager Stewart Bender

Others in attendance: Cyndi Sadewasser, Deputy Clerk; Todd Thurber with DLZ; Amy Oberlin and Harold Gingerich.

Attendance via Zoom: Clerk-Treasurer, Naomi Miller; Town Attorney Bill Eberhard and James McDonald.

Minutes from previous meeting of October 25, 2021, for Common Council Meeting

Motion to Approve: Doug Fought

Seconded: Steve Schrock

Vote: All Ayes

Naomi Miller, Clerk-Treasurer

Claim Register – APV – 14773 - 14836

Motion to Approve: Ray Folk

Seconded: Doug Fought

Vote: All Ayes

Clerk-Treasurer informed council the open enrollment for health coverage for employees has opened. This is done by each employee online.

Indiana Archives and Records Administration

- Approval has been given for destruction of records turned into the IARA
- Quote from Shred-It was received for approximately \$600
- Scheduled for December 7th

August Financials

- Emailed to council prior to meeting
- Clerk-Treasurer shared the reason for the late share is due to a \$600 deposit from August, no one is claiming to have made to our account.
- Contacted State Board of Accounts and they instructed me on the deposit and exception would not be made on that deposit.
- Motion to accept August Financials

Motion: Doug Fought

Seconded: Adam Lambright

Vote: All Ayes

Additional Appropriations

- First meeting in December, Naomi has advertised for additional appropriation due to the fire truck purchase.
- According to Town Trustees, they short in their budget for 2021.
- Remainder of balance will be paid in 2022
- The additional appropriations will be for \$200,000 to cover the cost
- No motion was needed until the December meeting

Redevelopment Commission

- Vacant seat on the RDC board needing filled by a non-board member

Board of Zoning and Appeals

- Two vacancies on the BZA
- Application from Buddy Miller has been received
- Motion to accept Buddy Miller to the BZA board

Motion: Adam Lambright

Seconded: Doug Fought

Vote: All Ayes

Stewart Bender, Town Manager/Fire Chief

Fetters Pay Ap #5

- Invoice is for \$282,321.00
- Retainage is \$70,089

Motion to pay: Ray Folk

Seconded: Adam Lambright

Vote: All Ayes

Road Updates

- Quote for East Lake Street town line out to State Road 5 center lane, buggy lane, turn lane minus the current road work needing lined.
- Initial quote passed at the last council meeting was inaccurate. General allowance will be held at next meeting
- New quote for \$12,418.64 from Traffic Control Specialists, Inc.
- \$85% will go under TIF, \$10,555.84
- General amount to consider is \$1,862.80
- Null the previous quote for \$6k

Motion to Null: Steve Schrock

Seconded: Doug Fought

Vote: All Ayes

- Motion to accept the quote from Traffic Control for \$12,418.64

- Recommendation to RDC for the \$10,555.84 under the TIF

Motion: Ray Folk

Seconded: Adam Lambright

Vote: All Ayes

2021-2 Community Crossing Grant

- Grant was given to Town of Topeka for \$1,000,000
- Monies will be applied to 2022 road work on Pine and Babcock Streets

September and October Fire Financials and Runs Reports were emailed to Council prior to meeting.


Other

Ron Troyer requested an Executive Meeting to be held on November 9, 2021, at 4:00pm regarding employee matters.

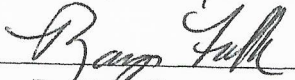
Immediately following, an open to the public Special Meeting concerning employee matters will be held.

Adjournment

- 4:34 pm
- Next General Council meeting November 22, 2021, at 4p.m.



Ron Troyer, Council President



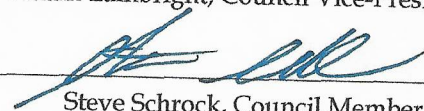
Ray Folk, Council Member



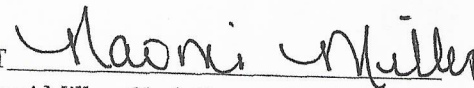
Doug Fought, Council Member



Adam Lambright, Council Vice-President



Steve Schrock, Council Member

ATTEST 

Naomi Miller, Clerk-Treasurer, IAMC, CMC

