

Topeka Town Council

124 E. Lake Street, Topeka, Indiana

General Meeting Minutes October 14, 2024 4:00pm

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Call to order by President, Adam Lambright

Roll Call

Present: Council Member, Adam Lambright, Ray Folk, Marlynn Mast, Steve Schrock, Justin Geigley, Lea Parks Clerk-Treasurer

Others in attendance: Via Zoom Town Attorney Bill Eberhard, Stewart Bender-Town Manager, Stan Strater Jr-Marshall, Cyndi Sadewasser-Deputy Clerk, Tim Cleveland, Angel Cleveland, Emilee Buller, Sherri Johnston, Cody Stevison, Brandon Yoder, Harold Gingerich, Nick Kovarik, Jim Carmichael, Henry Miller, Selena Looney, Damien Green, Mark Webster

Minutes from previous meeting of September 23, 2024, for Common Council Meeting

Motion to Approve: Marlynn Mast Seconded: Steve Schrock Vote: All Ayes

Lea Parks, Clerk-Treasurer

- Claims - First Gen Correction
Motion to Approve: Steve Schrock Seconded: Justin Geigley Vote: All Ayes
- Public Adoption Meeting for the 2025 Budget - Adam Lambright call to open - Had no responses on 2025 Budget Adoption - Call to Close by Adam Lambright for the Public Adoption Meeting for 2025 Budget Ordinance
Motion to Approve to Close Public Adoption Meeting: Steve Schrock Seconded: Ray Folk
Vote: All Ayes
Adoption for the 2025 Budget Ordinance: 4 Ayes; 1 Abstain
Motion to Approve: Steve Schrock Seconded: Ray Folk Vote: All Ayes
- 2018 iPhone Xr - Town Employee Requesting to purchase old town equipment for \$5.00
Motion to Approve: Marlynn Mast Seconded: Steve Schrock Vote: All Ayes
- DLZ Invoice \$3,017.75 for a New Police Station Evaluation Building - Clerk Treasurer Requesting Approval to Pay Invoice
Motion to Approve: Ray Folk Seconded: Marlynn Mast Vote: All Ayes
- Interra - Further discussion with both Banks - Table till next meeting
Motion to Approve: Steve Schrock Seconded: Marlynn Mast Vote: All Ayes

Stewart Bender, Town Manager/Fire Chief

- IRA Scope, Bakertilly - Solar Panel Project, Photon - Tabled till Next Meeting
Motion to Approve: Ray Folk Seconded: Justin Geigley Vote: All Ayes

- Swing Person Position
Motion to Approve: Justin Geigley Seconded: Steve Schrock Vote: Not All Ayes
Voted Ayes: Justin Geigley, Steve Schrock, Adam Lambright
Apposed: Marlynn Mast, Ray Folk
- 423 S Main St. – Rich Trailers – Requesting Positive Recommendation to change zoning designation of 2 parcels
Motion to Approve: Steve Schrock Seconded: Marlynn Mast Vote All Ayes
- Topeka Welcome Sign – \$1,000 Scholarship for an Westview Art Student – Ordinance 2024-10-14
Motion to Approve: Marlynn Mast Seconded: Justin Geigley Vote: All Ayes
- Stellar Pathways Program – Grant Program – Financial Letter of Support – Resolution No. 2024-10-14
Motion to Approve: Marlynn Mast Seconded: Justin Geigley Vote: All Ayes
- Utility Alarms – Smart Sights – App WIN-911 - 3 yr. term App for Water and Wastewater Dept. – Quote \$7,650
Motion to Approve: Ray Folk Seconded: Marlynn Mast Vote: All Ayes
- September Water Consumption
- 134 Yoder St – Fence – 2nd Request for Positive Recommendation – Positive Recommendation with the fence having a 5ft Setback Off of Alley for Snow Removal
Motion to Approve: Marlynn Mast Seconded: Ray Folk Vote: Not All Ayes
Voted Nay: Steve Schrock
- New 2024 Silverado 2500HD – Kelley Chevy, LLC Quote - \$46,970 – Tri State Customs Quote - \$16,601.82 – Total Cost \$63,571.82
Motion to Approve: Steve Schrock Seconded: Justin Geigley Vote: Not All Ayes
Apposed: Marlynn Mast
- Water Dept. 5 Year Update – Well Head Protection
Motion to Approve: Steve Schrock Seconded: Justin Geigley Vote: All Ayes

Town Marshal

- Rocky Mountain Communication Systems, Inc – Quote – Portable Radios – Qty 8 - \$22,344
Motion to Approve: Marlynn Mast Seconded: Ray Folk Vote: All Ayes
- 10 Ring Marketing – Shotguns Semi-Auto – Quote – Qty 5 - \$1,749.95
Motion to Approve: Ray Folk Seconded: Marlynn Mast Vote: All Ayes
- July and August Activity Report

Town Attorney

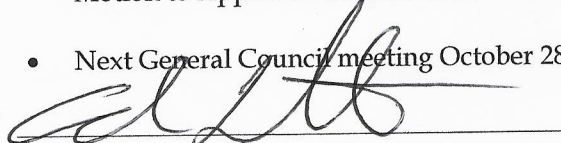
- Business Sign IN-5 – Topeka Together Agreement – Requested Topeka Together Sign Agreement and Town Council will Sign at Next Council Meeting
Motion to Approve: Steve Schrock Seconded: Ray Folk Vote: Not All Ayes
Recused: Marlynn Mast

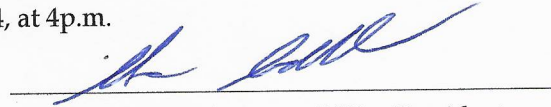
- Hold Harmless Agreement - Street Superintendent - Table till Next Meeting
Motion to Approve: Steve Schrock Seconded: Ray Folk Vote: All Ayes

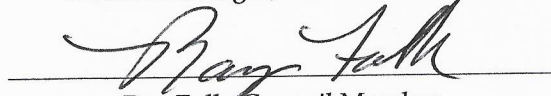
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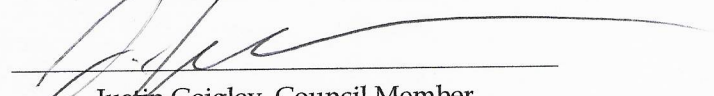
Adjournment

- Meeting Adjourned by President Adam Lambright at 5:37pm
Motion to Approve: Steve Schrock Seconded: Justin Geigley Vote: All Ayes
- Next General Council meeting October 28, 2024, at 4p.m.


Adam Lambright, Council President


Steve Schrock, Council Vice President


Ray Folk, Council Member


Justin Geigley, Council Member


Marlynn Mast, Council Member

ATTEST 
Lea Parks, Clerk Treasurer