Town Council Meeting
Monday, April 27, 2026
6:00PM

Edinburgh Town Council met in a regular session on Monday, April 27, 2026, at 6:00PM, at the Town Hall, 107 South Holland Street, Edinburgh, IN.

Council President Ryan Piercefield called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call- Council President Ryan Piercefield, Councilwoman Miriam Rooks, Councilwoman Debbie Buck, and Councilwoman Sherri Sweet.

Councilman Michael Bryant was absent.

Also present were Clerk-Treasurer Rhonda Barrett and Town Manager John Myers.

Town Attorney Dustin Huddleston was present via phone call.

Minutes- Council Meeting April 13, 2026

Councilwoman Rooks made a motion to approve the April 13, 2026, Council Meeting minutes. Councilwoman Sweet seconded. Motion carried 3-0. Debbie Buck abstained as she was not in attendance at the April 13, 2026 meeting.

Claims- Clerk-Treasurer Barrett presented two claim dockets: one for tonight in the amount of $897,927.41 and one for the end of month January in the amount of $592,918.21. All claims have been reviewed and signed.

Councilwoman Buck made a motion to approve the two claim dockets as presented in the amounts of $897,927.41 and $592,918.21. Councilwoman Rooks seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

Resolution 2026-6 Engaging Auctioneer- Attorney Huddleston stated that at the previous meeting Town Manager John Myers presented a list of surplus items. This allows those surplus items to be listed on GovDeals.com.

Councilwoman Rooks made a motion to approve Resolution 2026-6 Engaging Auctioneer for the surplus items. Councilwoman Buck seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

CCMG 2026-1 Paving Project Bid Award- Town Manager John Myers stated that bid openings were held April 13, 2026, by Crossroads Engineering who opened and reviewed the bids. Mr. Myers stated that Robertson Paving had the lowest bid at $128,937 and Crossroads Engineering recommends the bid be awarded to Robertson Paving pending legal review. Mr. Myers stated that the Town has worked with Robertson Paving in the past and that they are very familiar with the Town.

Councilwoman Sweet made a motion to approve the CCMG 2026-1 Paving Project Bid Award be awarded to Robertson Paving in the amount of $128,937. Councilwoman Buck seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

CCMG Grant Agreement- Town Manager John Myers stated that the Town received a letter from INDOT requesting bids be submitted for the paving project. Mr. Myers stated that this is their agreement with INDOT and is an 80/20 match. Mr. Myers stated that the INDOT portion will be $103,149.60 and the Town's portion will be $25,787.40, which the street department has the funds for.

Councilwoman Rooks made a motion to approve the CCMG Grant Agreement. Councilwoman Sweet seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

Councilwoman Rooks made a motion to authorize Council President Piercefield to sign off on the CCMG Grant Agreement. Councilwoman Buck seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

Wessler Invoice #49466 for Water Treatment Plant- Clerk-Treasurer Barrett presented Wessler Invoice #49466 in the amount of $500. Clerk-Treasurer Barrett stated that this is for continuing work with SRF funds.

Councilwoman Sweet made a motion to approve Wessler Invoice #49466 for Water Treatment Plant in the amount of $500. Councilwoman Buck seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

Councilwoman Sweet made a motion to authorize Council President Piercefield to sign off on Wessler Invoice #49466 for Water Treatment Plant. Councilwoman Buck seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

Annual Conflict of Interest- Clerk- Treasurer Barrett stated that this is the annual form for Council President Piercefield for his company to do work for the water department.

Councilwoman Rooks made a motion to approve the Annual Conflict of Interest for Council President Piercefield. Councilwoman Buck seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Council President Piercefield abstained.

Elected Official Contracting Statement- Clerk-Treasurer Barrett stated that this is also for Council President Piercefield and is similar to the previous item. Clerk-Treasurer Barrett stated this is part of the transparency requirements.

Councilwoman Rooks made a motion to approve the Elected Official Contracting Statement for President Piercefield. Councilwoman Buck seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Council President Piercefield abstained.

Revize Web Services Sales Agreement- Director of Economic Development SaraBeth Drybread stated that at the previous meeting it was approved to have Attorney Huddleston reviewed the Revize Web Services Sales Agreement. Director Drybread discussed two of the changes Attorney Huddleston suggested be made to the agreement as it listed state of Michigan instead of state of Indiana and confirmed that the changes have been made. Director Drybread stated that the agreement is for four years, which is typical of a website design company.

Discussion was held regarding the payment schedule.

Councilwoman Rooks made a motion to approve the Revize Web Services Sales Agreement. Councilwoman Sweet seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

Councilwoman Rooks made a motion to authorize Council President Piercefield to sign off on the Revize Web Services Sales Agreement. Councilwoman Buck seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

Downtown Plaza Proposals- Director of Economic Development SaraBeth Drybread and Parks Director Daniel Teter presented proposals from HWC Engineering and RVi Landscape Architects.

Discussion was held regarding whether Director Teter or Drybread had a preference. Director Teter stated that they feel confident working with either company.

Councilwoman Sweet stated that she liked the detail the RVi proposal provided.

Discussion was held regarding funding.

Councilwoman Sweet made a motion to approve the Downtown Plaza Proposal from RVi in the amount of $38,850 subject to legal review. Councilwoman Buck seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

Industrial Park Substation Foundation and Civil Work Bid Award- Ben Huckabee with Alpha Engineering stated that they are preparing the Industrial Park Substation site and making lots of progress. Mr. Huckabee stated that the next step is working on foundations, cable runs, provisions for the cables, fencing, and safety parameters.

Mr. Huckabee stated that the bid was advertised and multiple bid requests were sent to bidders for the Industrial Park Substation Foundation work. Mr. Huckabee stated that they recommend the bid be awarded to Power Construction Group. Mr. Huckabee stated that Alpha Engineering has worked with Power Construction Group before and that company has worked on numerous substations before.

Councilwoman Rooks made a motion to award the Industrial Park Substation Foundation and Civil Work Bid to Power Construction Group for $798,337. Councilwoman Buck seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

Councilwoman Rooks made a motion to authorize Council President Piercefield to sign off on the Power Construction Group Industrial Park Substation Foundation and Civil Work Bid Award. Councilwoman Buck seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

Dissolved Oxygen Sensors Quotes- Wastewater Superintendent Robert Jessie stated that IDEM requires these numbers to be monitored and reported monthly as this is a vital piece of equipment. Superintendent Jessie stated that the probes were installed when the wastewater plant was built approximately 20 years ago and they are no longer reliable. Superintendent Jessie stated that they are critical to the plant's operation and tell the blowers when to turn on/off. Superintendent Jessie stated that one has failed

completely and the other one is unreliable. Superintendent Jessie presented three quotes from Maxim Automation, Toric Engineering, and Lawyer Excavating.

Superintendent Jessie recommended going with Maxim Automation, who was not the lowest quote, as they originally installed the SCADA system, they have been a good reliable company and the other quotes would require contacting Maxim Automation to verify that there is communication with the SCADA system.

Discussion was held regarding funding options.

Council President Piercefield made a motion to approve the Dissolved Oxygen Sensors Quote from Maxim Automation in the amount of $25,000. Councilwoman Sweet seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

Superintendent Jessie stated that the grit separator has another crack and is on the way to failure. Superintendent Jessie stated that the fine screen separator also failed and that things are falling apart on them.

Other Business

Councilwoman Sweet stated that she is excited that the downtown plaza is moving forward.

Councilwoman Rooks thanked the departments for working with the construction going on.

Town Manager John Myers stated that the food was great at the employee appreciation lunch and thanked the Council. Mr. Myer stated that the employees greatly appreciated the meal and half day. Mr. Myers stated that all the departments have been working together. Mr. Myers stated that there have been water lines hit on 252 and they found out on late Friday that they missed a sewer line on 252 so they are at a standstill on a stormwater drain. They are waiting to hear back from the engineer.

Police Chief Doyne Little stated that they are down one officer and expect to lose another soon so overtime might be needed. Chief Little stated that they have been working the reserve officers who have helped cover a lot. Chief Little stated that the new police vehicles came in and are at the outfitters to hopefully be put in service soon. Chief Little stated that there was semi-truck that drove around the barricades on 252 this weekend that had to be pulled out.

Parks Director Daniel Teter thanked the Council for the employee appreciation meal and half day.

Street Superintendent Sean Barnett thanked the Council for the employee appreciation meal and half day. Superintendent Barnett stated that they have been doing sidewalk planning on trip hazards all around town as well as helping the other departments as needed.

Cemetery Superintendent Stan Brown thanked the Council for the employee appreciation meal and half day. Superintendent Brown thanked Town Manager John Myers and the other departments for their help. Superintendent Brown stated that they are still short-staffed.

Water Superintendent Bill Jones stated that a water main was hit, and it drained the north water tower. Superintendent Jones stated that Town Manager John Myers came in and worked with them all night to get it fixed to turn the water back on. Superintendent Jones stated that a bank collapsed on a four-inch main, so they had to do line stops and replacements for that last week. Superintendent Jones stated that they hit the service for the trailer park and water had to be shut off completely for there until they could redo that service. Superintendent Jones stated that it all has been very stressful. Superintendent Jones discussed the size of the hole. Superintendent Jones stated that they found a main break on Center Cross and South Cross Court and repaired it, he feels like that is part of his water loss but not all of the loss. Superintendent Jones stated that he has had listening devices on hydrants for three weeks now and the company will be getting back with him on the results. Superintendent Jones discussed how they found the leak and stated that it had formed a sinkhole. Superintendent Jones thanked the Council for the employee appreciation lunch and half day.

Director of Economic Development SaraBeth Drybread stated that the Main Street Board and some volunteers picked up trash for an hour last Saturday and are getting quotes to purchase a trash can for cigarettes. Director Drybread stated that the ERC will be holding a joint meeting next month with Baker Tilly regarding how to utilize TIF. Director Drybread stated that this is a public meeting and the school board and library board were both invited. Director Drybread stated that Lily Endowment has a health and human services matching grant that United Way can help with that she is going to learn more about the opportunities it could provide to the Town. Director Drybread stated that she submitted a $1.13 million

grant through READI's arts and culture portion for a Pixy Theatre reactivation project. Director Drybread stated that she has been working on the READI grant with Franklin College who will be presenting a proposal on Wednesday for a multi-use of the building. Director Drybread stated that she and the Columbus Economic Development Corporation will be meeting suppliers from outside the country and giving a tour of potential development sites.

Adjourn

Being no further business or comments, Councilwoman Rooks made a motion to adjourn. Councilwoman Buck seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

The full video archive of the meeting is available for viewing at https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PL0pagNU7lg5FkjGffQyWphtcPehlL-R5g for as long as this media is supported.

EDINBURGH TOWN COUNCIL

Ryan Piercefield, President

Absent
Miriam Rooks, Vice President

Debbie Buck
Debbie Buck

Sherri Sweet
Sherri Sweet

Abstained
Michael Bryant

ATTEST:

Rhonda Barrett, Clerk-Treasurer