

**Town Council Special Meeting**  
**Monday, January 4, 2021**  
**5:00 P.M. Town Hall**

Edinburgh Town Council met in a special session on Monday, January 4, 2021 at 5:00 P.M. at the Town Hall, 107 South Holland Street, Edinburgh, Indiana.

President Jeff Simpson called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Members answering roll call:** *Due to the COVID-19 public emergency and per Executive Order 20-09, members may have attended electronically (e).* Councilwoman Miriam Rooks, Councilwoman Debbie Buck, Councilman Ryan Piercefield, Vice President Dawn Graham (e), and President Jeff Simpson. Also present were Clerk-Treasurer Scott Finley and Dustin Huddleston.

**Election of Officers** – Councilman Piercefield made a motion to appoint Jeff Simpson as President and Dawn Graham as Vice President. Councilwoman Buck seconded. Motion carried.

**Discussion of Officer Michael Nunez** – Mr. Huddleston said the council was provided a letter from Town Marshall Little to Mr. Nunez dated December 31, 2020 that informed him he was suspended for five (5) working days. This was due to a firearm issue on December 29, 2020 at Triangle Road and River Road. Town Marshall Little has supplied supplemental information explaining the incident that transpired that night. Mr. Huddleston asked Town Marshall Little if his report was accurate in detailing the incident that occurred on the 29<sup>th</sup>.

Town Marshall Little said yes.

Mr. Huddleston confirmed that Town Marshall Little was present at that incident.

Town Marshall Little said he was present.

Mr. Huddleston asked if this report was from his own personal knowledge.

Town Marshall Little confirmed that it was.

Mr. Huddleston said the suspension will last until the 7<sup>th</sup> of January when Mr. Nunez could be put back on duty. The council can take further action if deemed necessary.

Councilwoman Buck said in light of the incident on December 29, 2020 at Triangle Road and River Road in Edinburgh following Chief Little's request that Officer Michael Nunez relinquish his firearm, I move that we suspend Officer Nunez for five days, without pay pursuant to IC 36-8-3-4(b), beginning January 8, 2020 due to Officer Nunez's:

- (a) Neglect or disobedience of orders;
- (b) Incapacity;
- (c) Conduct injurious to the public peace or welfare and
- (d) Conduct unbecoming an officer.

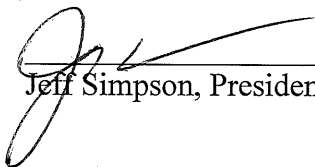
During the suspension, Officer Nunez is entitled to his allowances for insurance benefits to which he was entitled before the suspension, but he will not be entitled to any other fringe benefits. Councilman Piercefield seconded that motion. Motion carried.

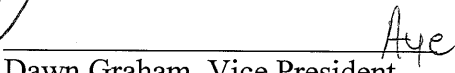
Councilman Piercefield made a motion to authorize Mr. Huddleston to inform Mr. Nunez of his suspension. Councilwoman Graham seconded. Motion carried.

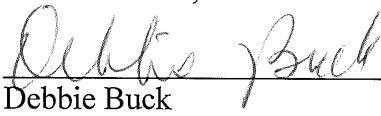
Councilwoman Graham made a motion to schedule a special council meeting to follow up on the status of his suspension on Friday, January 8, 2021 at 8 a.m. Councilman Piercefield seconded. Motion carried.

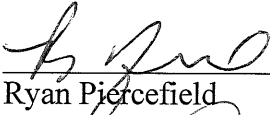
Being no further business or comments, Councilman Piercefield made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilwoman Buck seconded. Motion carried.

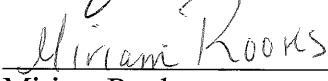
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Jeff Simpson, President

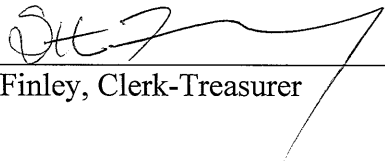
  
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Dawn Graham, Vice President

  
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Scott Finley, Clerk-Treasurer