

Town Council Meeting
Monday, February 28, 2022
6:00 P.M. Town Hall

Edinburgh Town Council met in a regular session on Monday, February 28, 2022 at 6:00 P.M. at the Town Hall, 107 South Holland Street, Edinburgh, Indiana.

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

Members answering roll call: Councilwoman Debbie Buck, Councilwoman Miriam Rooks, Councilman Jeff Simpson, Councilwoman Dawn Graham, and President Ryan Piercefield. Also present were Clerk-Treasurer Scott Finley, Town Attorney Dustin Huddleston, and Town Manager Dan Cartwright.

Minutes – Council meeting of February 14, 2022. Councilwoman Graham made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted. Councilwoman Buck seconded. Motion carried.

Claims – The council received a copy of the claim docket in their council packet. The total for the docket was \$1,302,933.02. Mr. Finley said he had signed off on the claims in those dockets and handed them over to the council for approval.

Councilwoman Buck made a motion to approve claims as submitted. Councilman Simpson seconded. Motion carried.

BOT Project Developer Recommendation – Mr. Cartwright said the document in the council packet should be disregarded. He said he got ahead of himself in the process. He gave an update on the project. GM Development was the only developer to present a proposal. The BOT Committee has been working with GM Development through the scoping period. They will be a 3/28/22 council meeting. The committee will make a recommendation 10 days prior to that meeting. Mr. Huddleston is reviewing whether apparatus can be included in the BOT process.

Water System Improvement Bid Award – Mr. Cartwright said Adam Sitka of Wessler Engineering was present to present the bids.

Mr. Sitka said the council received the evaluation letter and the certified bid tab. Bids were received on February 17. The town received 5 bids. The low bidder was Graves Construction with a bid of \$6,161,616.00. Their bid packet is complete, and they appear qualified to complete the project.

Mr. Cartwright said he is asking for approval to proceed towards a contract with Graves Construction subject to review by Mr. Huddleston, Baker Tilly, and Bose McKinney and Evans. The award is also contingent upon the OCRA grant and the SRF Loan awards.

Councilman Simpson made a motion to award the project to Graves construction with the above listed contingencies. Councilwoman Rooks seconded. Motion carried.

Wessler 2021 Water Loss Audit and Validation Proposal – Mr. Cartwright said this audit is required by the state every 2 years. The contract amount is \$4,000.

Councilwoman Graham made a motion to approve the Water Loss Audit and Validation Proposal with Wessler Engineering. Councilwoman Buck seconded. Motion carried.

Councilwoman Graham made a motion to allow President Piercefield to sign the agreement on behalf of the council. Councilman Simpson seconded. Motion carried.

Suez Addendum to Water Well Full Maintenance Contracts – Mr. Cartwright said there are four contracts that need signed by him. Suez is allowing us to get out of the contract without any penalty. The town no longer needs these contracts.

Mr. Huddleston said he contacted Suez and they have agreed to the amendments, and they are ready for approval.

Councilwoman Graham made a motion to approve the Suez Addendum to Water Well Full maintenance contract. Councilwoman Rooks seconded. Motion carried.

First Amendment to Water Well 3 Maintenance Contract – Councilwoman Graham made a motion to approve the First Amendment to Water Well 3 Maintenance Contract. Councilwoman Buck seconded. Motion carried.

First Amendment to Water Well 4 Maintenance Contract – Councilwoman Graham made a motion to approve the First Amendment to Water Well 4 Maintenance Contract. Councilwoman Rooks seconded. Motion carried.

First Amendment to Water Well 5 Maintenance Contract – Councilwoman Graham made a motion to approve the First Amendment to Water Well 5 Maintenance Contract. Councilwoman Rooks seconded. Motion carried.

Councilwoman Graham made a motion to allow Dan Cartwright to sign the Well Maintenance Contracts on behalf of the council. Councilwoman Rooks seconded. Motion carried.

Award Lighting Material and Poles for High School Drive – Electric Superintendent Kevin Rubush said he had a company do a photometric study on High School Drive. He has received a quote for light poles similar to what is currently on Eisenhower and in the town hall parking lot. The cost is \$67,000.

Councilman Simpson made a motion to approve the lighting material and poles for High School Drive for \$67,000. Councilwoman Rooks seconded. Motion carried.

Award Golf Cart Lease Renewal – Golf Course General Manager Wayne Gibbs said we had to get started on this process early as lead time for carts is about a year. He received three bids for cart leases. Yamaha was \$1,500 more than the lowest cost but he recommended going with that quote because they will allow us to keep the current carts until the new ones arrive in case there is further delays.

Councilman Simpson made a motion to approve the golf cart lease with Yamaha subject to legal review. Councilwoman Rooks seconded. Motion carried.

Councilwoman Rooks made a motion to allow Dan Cartwright to sign the Yamaha lease on behalf of the council. Councilwoman Graham seconded. Motion carried.

Other Business

President Piercefield asked for an update on the insurance on the totaled police car.

Town Marshall Doyne Little said the town received insurance money on the lights and the car. The new vehicles have already been delivered. The officer involved in the accident will be out for a while as he is having to have surgery.

Mr. Finley said he will keep an eye on the budget for the police department. He said he does not want to do additional appropriations unless it is necessary. The department is historically under budget considerably and he doesn't want to waste time and money on the process if it is not necessary.

Mr. Cartwright said the Bicentennial Committee has raised \$30,000. The Birthday Bash will be held on June 10th and 11th. The kickoff meeting will be this Thursday.

Mr. Cartwright said the Police and Fire have joined the National Safe Alliance which allows mothers to drop off babies at the police or fire departments with no questions asked and no information given.

Mr. Cartwright said Rumpke has started trash service. The town will be accepting bids on March 17th for the possible council chamber addition. The staff is planning an auction for unused equipment. That equipment is being housed at the street garage and the town will have an auction on a Saturday this year.

Mr. Little said he has two officers out. One is being used for light duty at the department. He will be on vacation next week.

Fire Chief John Henderson said the department is looking forward to the Bicentennial events and the Sectionals. The department is also hosting an EMT Class.

Water Superintendent Bill Jones said the department has had two hydrants hit recently. He is still asking for a 4th employee starting this spring. This would allow him to be available during the construction of the new plant. This would make a total staff 5 including the superintendent. This will allow the department to work in two two-man crews.

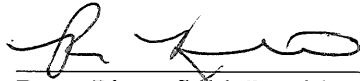
Discussion was held regarding water department funding and rate increases.

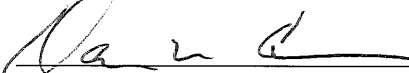
Mr. Cartwright said the street department is also down two employees and he is in favor of hiring the additional water employee.

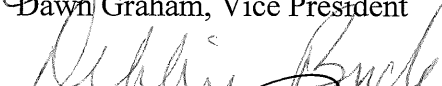
Councilwoman Graham made a motion to allow the hiring of an additional water department employee. Councilman Simpson seconded. Motion carried. 4 to 1 with Councilwoman Rooks voting nay.

Being no further business or comments, Councilwoman Graham made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilwoman Rooks seconded. Motion carried.


EDINBURGH TOWN COUNCIL


Ryan Piercefield, President


Dawn Graham, Vice President


Debbie Buck


Miriam Rooks


Jeff Simpson

ATTEST:


Scott Finley, Clerk-Treasurer