

**Town Council Meeting**  
**Monday, June 27, 2022**  
**6:00 P.M. Town Hall**

Edinburgh Town Council met in a regular session on Monday, June 27, 2022, at 6:00 P.M. at the Town Hall, 107 South Holland Street, Edinburgh, Indiana.

Vice President Dawn Graham called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

**Minutes** – Council meeting of June 13, 2022. Councilwoman Buck made a motion to approve the minutes. Councilwoman Rooks seconded. Motion carried.

**Claims** – The council received a copy of the claim docket in their council packets. The total for the docket was \$594,423.53. Mr. Finley said he had signed off on the claims in that docket and handed them over to the council for approval.

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

**Ordinance 2022-5 Establishing a K-9 Unit Fund** – Mr. Huddleston said at the last meeting a fund was discussed to house funds donated for a K-9 unit. Mr. Finley drafted this ordinance and it has been reviewed and approved.

Councilwoman Rooks made a motion to waive the first reading of Ordinance 2022-5 and consider it for approval. Councilwoman Buck seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Councilwoman Rooks made a motion to approve Ordinance 2022-5. Councilwoman Buck seconded. Motion carried.

**Award of 2022 Paving Project Contract** – Town Manager Dan Cartwright said the council received a recommendation letter from Crossroads Engineering to award the 2022 paving contract to Robertson Paving for the CCMG. The project was bid on June 20<sup>th</sup> and Robertson was the low bidder.

Councilwoman Buck made a motion to award the CCMG project to Robertson Paving. Councilwoman Rooks seconded. Motion carried.

**Community Crossings Grant Round 2** – Mr. Cartwright said the council received a proposal from Crossroads Engineering to do the design for the 2022-2 CCMG project. The proposed streets are as follows:

- South Cross Street
- North Cross Street
- Center Cross from Harrell to Lind
- East Main Cross from Harrell to Lind
- Perry Street
- Brown Street
- Industrial Drive
- All of Timbergate except Independence Drive

Councilwoman Buck asked if there were other streets other than Timbergate in need of repaving.

Street Superintendent Clark McCollum said there are plenty of streets in town in need of repaving. The department has been trying to repair and crack seal at Timbergate but it is getting rough. He said there are numerous streets already planned for this year.

Mr. Cartwright said the design contract is for \$14,000.

Councilwoman Rooks made a motion to approve the design proposal from Crossroads Engineering for \$14,000. Councilwoman Buck seconded. Motion carried.

Councilwoman Rooks made a motion to allow Mr. Cartwright to sign the design proposal on behalf of the council. Councilwoman Buck seconded. Motion carried.

**4kV to 12kV Line Conversion Project** – Mr. Cartwright said this project has been in the works for a long time. The design was completed a few years ago. We will be receiving bids on July 19<sup>th</sup>. The estimated cost is \$236,595. The project relates to the substation that provides power to Talberton addition.

Electric Superintendent Kevin Rubush said this is the last 4kV substation on the system. It is a liability asset as it is very outdated.

**IMPA Agreement Extension** – Mr. Cartwright said the town purchases its power from the Indiana Municipal Power Agency (IMPA). The agreement for the purchase of power is up for renewal and Mike Jenner, the town's IMPA representative, is present to present the renewal.

Mr. Jenner gave a PowerPoint presentation about the town's history with IMPA. The town joined IMPA in 1989. In 2002 there was an issue with customers regarding rates. After a study, the town built its own substation and cut costs by about \$200,000 per year. Following that, IMPA changed its delivery voltage which changed the town's payoff on the substation. The town was not happy and the substation was not paid off until 2012 due to the reduction in savings.

Mr. Jenner said the town has some of the best system reliability in the area. He gave comparisons of the Edinburgh's reliability to other surrounding utilities. He gave an overview of how the power grid works from IMPA generation to the end user. The town's rates have been decreasing while others have been increasing.

Mr. Cartwright said the IMPA extension is before the council for approval. It has been reviewed and approved by legal counsel.

Councilwoman Rooks made a motion to approve the IMPA agreement extension. Councilwoman Buck seconded. Motion carried.

Councilwoman Buck made a motion to allow Vice President Dawn Graham to sign the IMPA agreement extension on behalf of the council. Councilwoman Rooks seconded. Motion carried.

**Sub-station Contract Award Alpha Engineering** – Mr. Cartwright said the sub-station project has already been approved but we need to approve the contract.

Councilwoman Rooks made a motion to approve the sub-station contract with Alpha Engineering. Councilwoman Buck seconded. Motion carried.

Councilwoman Buck made a motion to allow Vice President Dawn Graham to sign the contract on behalf of the council. Councilwoman Rooks seconded. Motion carried.

**Ordinance 2022-6 Traffic Code Amendment** – Mr. Huddleston said at the last meeting there were two requests for stop signs. This ordinance adds both of those signs to the traffic code.

Councilwoman Rooks made a motion to waive the first reading of Ordinance 2022-6 and consider it for approval. Councilwoman Buck seconded. Motion carried.

Councilwoman Rooks made a motion to approve Ordinance 2022-6. Councilwoman Buck seconded. Motion carried.

### **Other Business**

Mr. Cartwright said there is an infrastructure grant opportunity coming up. The Prosser stormwater project was the first phase of the larger project. The next phase would be Memorial Drive. The grant has no match to the town.

Planning Director Wade Watson said he had a conversation with Kenna Consulting about this grant and they will be having a meeting soon to discuss the grant opportunity. He said he also wanted to acknowledge what a great representative Mike Jenner is for the town. He is interactive on the board and collects and analyzes data for the town.

Town Marshal Doyme Little said the department has received \$26,800 in donations for the K-9 unit. There has been great support for this project. On July 9<sup>th</sup> the department will have active shooter training. The department will also be starting No-Shave November early this year as a fundraiser for the Trafalgar officer injured in the line of duty.

Community Center Director SaraBeth Drybread said there will be another paint-by-number style community mural on the bait shop near the dam from 9-12.

Parks Director Daniel Teter said the Firecracker Festival will be next Monday. The events will be downtown and the fireworks will be on school hill. The department had a state tournament this weekend and brought in over \$12,000. The pool has had over 7,000 visitors this year.

Fire Chief John Henderson said the department will be holding an open house at the training facility soon. He will provide a date to the council soon. They will have a fire class the second week of July.

Mr. McCollum said he has had some discussions with John Secore about possible grants for railroad crossings. The grant is a 100% grant and could cover all 6 crossings. He will be pursuing that and will keep the council apprised.

### Public Comments


Michael Patton said he and his wife just purchased Cliff's Bar and the Tanning Salon. He said they just wanted to introduce themselves to the community and they have plans of rejuvenating the downtown area.

Abby Clark of the Indiana State Attorney General's office said she wanted to introduce herself as the town's outreach representative. She left business cards with contact information if anyone had any questions.

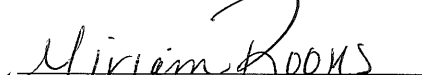
Being no further business or comments, Councilwoman Buck made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilwoman Rooks seconded. Motion carried.


### EDINBURGH TOWN COUNCIL

  
Ryan Piercefield, President

  
Dawn Graham, Vice President

  
Debbie Buck

  
Miriam Rooks

  
Jeff Simpson

ATTEST:

  
Scott Finley, Clerk-Treasurer