Town Council Meeting Monday, June 26, 2023 6:00 P.M.

Edinburgh Town Council met in a regular session on Monday, June 26, 2023, 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 Miriam Rooks, Councilwoman Debbie Buck, Councilman Jeff Simpson, Vice President Dawn Graham, and President Ryan Piercefield. Also present were Town Manager Kevin McGinnis, Director of Administrative Services Mary Patterson, and Town Attorney Dustin Huddleston. Clerk-Treasurer Scott Finley was absent.

Minutes – Council meeting minutes of June 12, 2023. *Councilwoman Graham made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted. Councilwoman Rooks seconded. Motion carried.*

Claims – The council received a copy of the claim docket in their council packet. The total for the docket was \$1,265,612.75. Those claims have been signed and were presented to the council for approval.

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

Water Treatment Plant Change Order #2 Project Time Extension Request – Town Manager Kevin McGinnis said the contractor is asking for an extension of 130 days due to difficulty obtaining material. Wessler believes the extension is reasonable due to these issues. There is no additional cost to the project.

Mr. Huddleston said this does not waive any of the town's rights with the project. It simply grants an extension.

Discussion was held on the timeline.

Councilman Simpson made a motion to approve Water Treatment Plant Change Order #2. Councilwoman Buck seconded. Motion carried.

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

Water Treatment Plant Pay Application #13 – Mr. McGinnis said this pay application is for \$172,488.34. Upon approval it will be submitted to SRF for processing and payment.

Councilwoman Rooks made a motion to approve water treatment plant pay application #13. Councilwoman Buck seconded. Motion carried.

Councilwoman Rooks made a motion to allow President Piercefield to sign the pay application on behalf of the council. Councilwoman Buck seconded. Motion carried.

Wessler Invoice for Water Treatment Plant – Mr. McGinnis said this invoice is for engineering services related to the water treatment plant. The invoice amount is \$34,310.27. This invoice is from January and was somehow missed. Upon approval it will be sent to SRF for processing and payment.

Councilwoman Buck made a motion to approve Wessler invoice 40771. Councilman Simpson seconded. Motion carried.

Transformer Purchase for Beacon Industries – Electric Superintendent Steve Clark said there was damage to a transformer at Beacon Industries. At some point this transformer is going to fail. This quote is for a remanufactured unit to replace the damaged one. The cost is \$56,060. The original purchase was in 1992 at approximately \$16,000. The transformer is on hold for the town until tomorrow morning.

Councilman Simpson made a motion to approve the Beacon Industries Transformer for \$56,060. Councilwoman Rooks seconded. Motion carried.

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

Other Business

Mr. McGinnis said he had a meeting last week with the Columbus Economic Development Corporation regarding a battery manufacturer interested in land in the industrial area. He said the sewer project on High School Drive was completed last week. Also, the 2022 paving projects have been completed. He discussed future paving projects. He said the Main Street extension project is supposed to start July 5th. The town hall parking lot will be blocked off tomorrow for seal coating. He gave an update on the new fire station. It is set to be completed in September. Ryan Homes has currently sold 4 homes in the Timbergate subdivision. He said the town currently has 6 open positions it is looking to fill.

President Piercefield asked about Lind Drive. He said the road is in bad shape.

Street Superintendent Clark McCollum said the road has been removed from the lists recently due to the continual construction traffic. The hope was to wait until the construction was done to do that road.

Departmental Comments

Wastewater Superintendent Robert Jessie presented to the council a 3-year maintenance program for the two MacAllister generators. The total cost is just over \$16,000.

Councilman Simpson made a motion to approve the 3-year maintenance program for the generators. Councilwoman Graham 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.

Community Center Director SaraBeth Drybread said she is working on a \$2,500 grant for programing for the eclipse event. We will also be looking at applying for the READI 2.0 grant. She said the Firecracker Festival will be held on Keeley Street starting at 5 PM and fireworks will start at 10 PM.

Electric Superintendent Steve Clark said Kevin Rubush's last day with the town will be June 30th. They will be having some hamburgers and hotdogs during lunch for anyone who wants to stop by and wish him a happy retirement.

Building and Zoning Official Robert Overton said the unsafe building ordinance has a provision that future projects could be funded by funds collected from unsafe building fines. He thinks it would be worth putting some money in the budget for that project.

Town Marshall Doyne Little said one of our K9 units has a shoulder injury. We are hoping to nurse her back into service. We do have insurance if she does need any type of surgery.

Interim Fire Chief Chuck Ridpath said after the quote was approved for Squad 41, the quote was increased by \$688.05 due to the addition of side steps and some lettering. He asked the council to approve the additional amount for the Squad 41.

Councilman Simpson made a motion to approve the additional \$688.05 for Squad 41. Councilwoman Buck seconded. Motion carried.

Public Comments

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

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Dawn Graham, Vice President

Virtual Debbie Buck

Miriam Rooks

Jeff Simpson

ATTEST.

Scott Finley, Clerk-Treasure