

Town of Worthington
June 11, 2024, Meeting Minutes

The Worthington Town Council met in regular session on Tuesday, June 11, 2024, at the Town Hall at 6:00 p.m. Members in attendance were Gerren Cullison, Brian Stoner, Kim Archer, and Barry Hoover. Jason Robertson was absent.

The Meeting was called to order by Gerren Cullison, who led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance. Kim Archer led in prayer.

Kim Archer made a motion to approve the May 14, 2024, Regular Meeting Minutes. Barry Hoover seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0.

Kim Archer made a motion to approve the accounts payable and payroll claims as presented. Barry Hoover seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0.

Re: Clerk-Treasurer's Report

The Clerk-Treasurer reported that a total of \$3,002.57 in interest was earned on investments through TrustIndiana in May 2024.

Re: Street Department Report

Street Department Superintendent Tim Edelman reported that the old house by the wastewater facilities had been torn down. Tim also mentioned that the Kioti Tractor purchased by the town was being outfitted and would be delivered soon.

Re: Utilities Department Report

Utilities Deputy Renie Powell told the Council that the U.S. Post Office in town will start pulling sewer bills locally for delivery due to issues with sorting through the Indianapolis hub. Ms. Powell also mentioned that the TRECS bill pay program was continuing to prove effective in payment of delinquent sewer bills.

Re: Police Department Report

Worthington Town Marshall Jacob Gambill gave a report on police activity since the last Council Meeting.

Re: Town Marshal – Axon Enterprise, Inc. Contract

Barry Hoover made a motion to approve a 5-year contract between the Town of Worthington and Axon Enterprises, Inc. to supply and monitor 3 cameras for a portion of the Worthington Police Department vehicles for a total cost of \$8,595.63 over the 5- year term of the contract. The breakdown of annual payments is as follows: 2024 = \$3,931.86, 2025 = \$1,098.27, 2026 = \$1,142.20, 2027 = \$1,187.89, and 2028 = \$1,351.41. The estimated contract start date begins on October 1, 2024. Kim Archer seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0. Terms of this contract are incorporated by reference.

Re: Resolution 2024-06 – Re Sale of Town Owned Vehicle

Barry Hoover made a motion to approve Resolution 2024-06, Resolution to Sell Police Vehicle At Private Sale, which gives Town Marshal Jacob Gambill the authority to sell its 2021 Ford Interceptor to another law enforcement agency or other government agency for a sum no less than \$30,000.00. Kim Archer seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0. Terms of this resolution are incorporated by reference.

Re: Permission to Hire Deputy Marshal

Barry Hoover made a motion to approve the hiring of David D. Sparks III to the full-time Deputy Marshal position effective June 23, 2024, with all benefits and privileges included therein. Kim Archer seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0. Terms of this ordinance are incorporated by reference.

Re: Ordinance 2024-03 – Re Golf Cart Usage

Barry Hoover made a motion to approve Ordinance 2024-03, An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 94 of the Worthington Town Code, regarding golf cart usage, which adds that an identification card, other than an operator's license, issued by Indiana Bureau of Motor Vehicles, may be used to operate a golf cart within town limits. This approved identification includes but is not limited to, a learner's permit, a non-voter identification card, or a voter identification card. Kim Archer seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0. Terms of this ordinance are incorporated by reference.

Re: Ordinance 2024-04 – Re Animals – Marshal's Duty to Notify Animal Shelter

Barry Hoover made a motion to approve Ordinance 2024-04, An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 90 of the Worthington Town Code, regarding dog, cats, or other domestic animals found running at large within the corporate limits of the town, which changes the wording from "it shall be the duty of the Town Marshal or Deputy Marshal of this town to notify the county animal shelter" to "the Town Marshal or Deputy Marshal of this town may notify the county animal shelter", which gives the officer more leeway on dealing with such an animal. Kim Archer seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0. Terms of this ordinance are incorporated by reference.

Re: Ordinance 2024-05 – Re Property Maintenance – High Weeds and Plants

Barry Hoover made a motion to approve Ordinance 2024-05, An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 92 of the Worthington Town Code, regarding abatement of a nuisance, particularly high growing weeds or plants in violation of the provisions of this chapter, which changes the amount of time to abate such nuisance from ten days to thirty days after the day that the citizen first is served notice by the Town Marshal or his designee. Kim Archer seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0. Terms of this ordinance are incorporated by reference.

Re: Ordinance 2024-06 – Re Garbage - Enforcement

Barry Hoover made a motion to approve Ordinance 2024-06, An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 50 of the Worthington Town Code, regarding abatement of a nuisance, particularly garbage in violation of the provisions of this chapter, which changes the amount of time to abate such nuisance from ten days to thirty days after the day that the citizen first is served notice by the Town Marshal or his designee. Kim Archer seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0. Terms of this ordinance are incorporated by reference.

Re: Wessler Engineering – Wastewater Treatment Project (WWTP) Update

Wessler Engineering, Inc. Project Engineer Madison Truemner gave a progress report on the WWTP, which included the need to obtain an updated quote from Duke Energy and an IDEM permit for the WWTP work to start.

As there was no more business to come before the Worthington Town Council, Brian Stoner made a motion to adjourn. Kim Archer seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0.



Gerren Cullison, President



Matthew W. Baker, Clerk-Treasurer