

**TOWN OF FARMERSBURG, INDIANA  
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**PUBLIC SESSION  
JANUARY 9, 2025**

Old business

- Review Meeting Minutes from December 12, 2024 meeting. Courtney explained she will need to print them out and bring to next meeting February 13, 2024

New Business

**ELECTION OF COUNCIL PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT**

- Jennifer stated this is the first meeting of the year 2025 and there are certain tasks that need addressed with first one being the appointment of a President and Vice President of the board. Board all agreed Jennifer and Courtney were doing a fine job as is and they are appointed with Jennifer Harrelson Board President and Courtney Strain, Vice President. Jennifer asked for a motion to approve, Woodrow Power gave 1<sup>st</sup> motion, Jerry Payne, 2<sup>nd</sup> motion, all in favor say Aye, all said Aye.

**UNIFORM CONFLICT OF INTEREST DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

- Courtney read the statement before the board. This is a mandatory revision that is required by the SBOA every year. All board members need to sign.

**NEPOTISM AND CONTRATING WITH A UNIT CERTIFICATION FORM**

- All Council members are required to sign this every year and this is for the year 2025. All members signed and forms will be kept in their personnel files. The SBOA does not approve the Nepotism policy in the Employee Handbook so the handbook will need re-written to take out who is not included in this and rewrite that all elected officials are included in the Nepotism Policy.

## **SALARY ORDINANCE**

- The Salary Ordinance needs to be revised to the statement regarding submission of time via timecards to include electronic timecard via app on phone. Motion to approve, Jerry 1<sup>st</sup> motion, Woodrow 2<sup>nd</sup> motion, all in favor say Aye, all said Aye.

## **SITE ACCESS AGREEMENT**

- This is an agreement sent in by Brownsfield to be signed so they can start cleaning on the old bank for demolition. They told us 1 week after contract is signed they should start on the project. All agreed for the agreement to be signed.

## **INTERNAL CONTROL POLICY**

- Angela explained what this was for. The SBOA requested something be put in place that references to the chain in command for approval of financials and the responsibilities of each person in the office. The board is to sign off on all as final approval and Angela has vouchers and payables available in her office for anyone to look at.

## **DECEMBER PAYABLES**

- December payables were passed around by the board members for approval. Woodrow asked if it was possible that the board could come in early before the meetings and review them instead of at the meeting. Everyone agreed. Woodrow also requested a copy of the cash summary report. The question of all board members being bonded arose and Angela is going to find out if necessary.

## **ORDINANCE 2021-5 REMOVAL**

- This is the ordinance covering Abandoned Vehicles and it is not correct. The Town Marshall was directed to have it changed following state guidelines as to vehicles sitting on properties not running or plated and per the attorney the members needed to vote to remove. Jennifer, the Board President asked for a motion given for Ordinance 2021-5 to be removed from the Enforceable Ordinances, Woodrow 1<sup>st</sup> motion, Jerry 2<sup>nd</sup> motion.

## **SEWER ORDINANCE**

- The sewer ordinance is being revised to cover all aspects of the operation of our sewer operations. This includes how adjustments are to be handled for leaks that have been reported. Copies have been given to all the Board members to be reviewed in order to vote on at the next meeting.

## APPROVAL OF REQUESTS FOR PURCHASES

- The board gave approval for the Town Marshall's purchase of firearms and other police items.
- The approval was given for payment to Terre Haute Auto for the final bill on the Ford Explorer.
- Approval was given for Darren to attend a training conference and overnight stay at French Lick for Water Treatment.
- Invoices for Illiana Machinery for the maintenance on the generators was approved.
- Approval was given for the Town Coordinator to purchase a tool kit for the town hall and items for the town garage. Cost will be split between the EDIT and Sewer funds

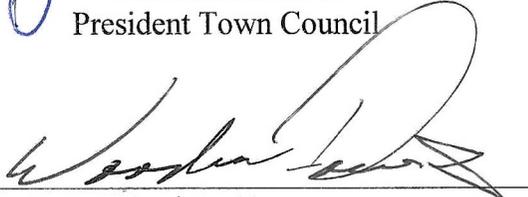
A final vote for approval on the above requests was motioned by Jennifer, Courtney 1<sup>st</sup> motion, Woodrow 2<sup>nd</sup> motion, all in favor say Aye, all said Aye.

- The subject of tree removal was brought up. Jennifer stated that R.D. Cloutier was handling that project and they are hoping to pull out the tree stump onto the road and then fill the hole with dirt. This is in the 300 block of Main St.
- The Town Coordinator is going to have Steve Shannon from HWC contact Woodrow regarding the pipe and road replacement over on Sawmill where the road is crumbling over the pipe.
- Jerry mentioned statistics of the Farmersburg Police Department and how important it was to keep them. There were 1,526 calls, 53 arrests, 22 were felony arrests, 66 misdemeanor arrests, 116 ordinance calls, 685 traffic stops, 68 written cases and K-9-20 incidents.
- Rob Clothier asked about his adjustment for the water leak he had that caused his sewer bill to raise. We are to go back 6 months if needed and average his bill so he can pay it.
- Jerry stated his neighbor was upset about the paving of the road in front of his house that is a dead-end. He would like a sign posted at the edge of the adjoining road (Cyrus) stating NO OUTLET. Nothing has been turned in yet to the board for the cost of this but it will be considered when pricing is submitted.

Jennifer asked for a motion to adjourn, Courtney gave 1<sup>st</sup> motion, Woody, 2<sup>nd</sup> motion, all in favor say Aye, all said Aye.

  
Jennifer Harrelson  
President Town Council

Courtney Strain  
Vice President Town Council

  
Woodrow Power  
Town Council Member

  
Jerry Payne  
Town Council Member

Attest:   
Angela McCullough  
Clerk-Treasurer

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