Wednesday January 8, 2025 (Reflection December 18, 2024)

Pursuant to adjournment comes now the Town of Hamlet Board of Town Council and meet in regular session directly following the Park Meeting in the Hamlet Town Hall meeting rooms, Hamlet, Indiana, with all members present except Brian Earnest, and the following proceeding were held to wit;

IN RE: 2025 HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

Dave read through the dates. Shirley made a motion to approve the 2025 Holiday Schedule. Dave resigned from his seat and seconded the motion.

IN RE: 2025 WATER AND SEWER BUDGETS

Clerk informed the Bord that the sewer bond payment went up which is the increase in the sewer budget. The Board discussed them. Shirley made a motion to approve the 2025 Water & Sewer Budgets. Dave resigned from his seat and seconded the motion.

MINUTES

Shirley made a motion to approve the regular and special minutes as presented. Dave resigned from his seat and seconded the motion.

IN RE: CLAIMS

Dave read the total. Dave mentioned sending a bill to NIPSCO for the tree limb. The Board discussed it. Shirley made a motion to approve all claims. Dave resigned from his seat and seconded the motion.

IN RE: DEVELOPING & MARKETING COMMITTEE

Dave asked about the location of the new streetlights. The Board all agreed they would go for the walk in the spring.

IN RE: ADDITIONAL BUISNESS

The Davis Township Trustee had an email for the Board to read. She is asking the Town for the CCD Money and to use it towards the purchase of a generator for

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the fire station. The Board discussed it. Shirley made a motion to approve \$5,000.00. Dave resigned from his seat and seconded the motion.

Aaron came before the Board to discuss the upgrade of radios and tablets in the trucks. He talked about the money and where it came from. The firemen will pay the 1st year then the Territory will pay from then on. Shirley asked if there will be training on using the new devices. Aaron told her yes, they will be trained on them. He said it's roughly \$30 per unit with a total of \$200 per month. Shirley made a motion for the AT&T wireless contract. Dave resigned and seconded the motion. Aaron informed the Clerk that the firemen will be meeting with Christin from 1st Source Insurance, and he would like the Clerk there. She said to just let her know when.

Dave brought up the quote for new vests. He would like Clint to keep the quote close and up to date.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Shirley made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Dave resigned from his seat and seconded the motion, all in favor.

Attested:

Dave Kesvormas, President

Brian Earnest, Member

Shirley Budka, Member

Board

Kristina Pitts, Secretary to the

Wednesday, January 22, 2025 (Minutes from meeting on January 8, 2025)

Pursuant to adjournment comes now the Town of Hamlet Board of Town Council and meet in regular session directly following the Zoning Board Meeting in the Hamlet Town Hall meeting room, Hamlet, Indiana, with all members present, and the following proceedings were held.

IN RE: MINUTES

Dave asked about the NIPSCO issue at the park. Kevin explained what happened and that it wasn't NIPSCO's issue. Brian made a motion to approve the minutes from January 8th. Shirley seconded the motion, all in favor.

IN RE: CLAIMS

Dave read the total of all the claims, (Regular, Fire, & December Payroll). Shirley made a motion to approve the claims, Brian seconded the motion, all in favor.

IN RE: MARSHAL MONTHLY REPORT

Clint turned in his report for December. Clint mentioned that his guys are getting fitted for vests. He will have a quote as soon as that's done, said that the price will depend on the size and brand. Clint informed the Board a few properties in Town are slowly cleaning up after getting their ordinance letters.

IN RE: STREET SUPERINTENDENT MONTHLY REPORT

Kevin turned in his report for December. Kevin informed the Board that the backhoe hit the weather head at the sewer plant. NIPSCO will be out to fix it and put the wires up higher. He also informed the Board of lot 1 taking their meter off to try to fix their water leak. Kevin went and shut the water off. The Board discussed it. They told Kevin to track all his time spent at the trailer park. Kevin had a quote to put a sensphone on the lift station on Starke St. for \$1,400.00. That is the only lift station that does not have the callout on it. The Board discussed it. Brian made a motion to purchase the sentinel. Shirley seconded the motion.

IN RE: APPOINTMENTS

Brian made a motion to appoint Dave as Board President. Shirely seconded the motion. Shirley made a motion to appoint Clint Norem as Town Marshal. Brian seconded the motion. Shirley made a motion to appoint Kevin Leinbach as Street Superintendent. Brian seconded the motion. The Attorney position is tabled. Brian made a motion to appoint Jason Cox as the Town's water operator. Shirley seconded the motion. Brian made a motion to appoint Jason Clemons for the Towns sewer operator.

IN RE: DEVELOPING & MARKETING COMMITTEE

Dave brought up the new director of the Economic Development Foundation who would like to talk. Shirley asked about it. Brian and Dave talked about the relationship between the Town and the Foundation in the past.

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IN RE: ADDITIONAL BUISNESS

The EMA Director sent a copy of the Starke County Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan for the Board to look over along with a resolution to accept. Dave read through the resolution. The Board discussed it. Brian made a motion to accept the draft, and the Clerk will have it updated at the next meeting. Shirley seconded the motion.

The Clerk had a resolution to change the meeting dates. Dave read through the resolution. Brian made a motion to accept the resolution as presented. Shirely seconded the motion.

Lee Nagai had an invoice for redoing the Town's Zoning Map along with the copies of it. The Board discussed it. Brian made a motion to approve and pay the invoice. Shirley seconded the motion.

The Clerk had the Hach agreement and the Duckweed control agreement for the Board to discuss. Jason Clemons explained the Hach and how much a new one would cost. He also said the duckweed helps the pond. Brian made a motion to accept both agreements. Shirley seconded the motion. Jason brought up the do-meter and how it doesn't work when it's cold. He has tried to change the censor tips, but it doesn't fix it. The machine is now obsolete. The Board talked about it. Jason will get quotes for a new one.

The Clerk had a resident ask about trash service and if they had to pay for it. The Board discussed it and said that it goes with each house.

The Clerk had the 2024-year end transfers. Dave read the totals. Brian made a motion to approve the transfers. Shirley seconded the motion.

There being no further business to come before the Board Brian made a motion to adjourn, Shirley seconded the motion, all in favor.

Dave Kesvormas, President

Brian Earnest, Member

Shirley Budka, Member

Kristina Pitts, Secretary to the Board

ATTESTED: