

Lynn Town Council

January 8, 2025

Minutes

Arthur called the meeting to order at 5pm.

In attendance was Arhtur Kirtley(board president) , Robert Hutchens(board member), Barbara Johnson(board member), Suzan Myers(Attorney), Travis Jones(Deputy), and Michael Straley III(Clerk Treasurer)

This was followed by the pledge to the flag and the Lord's Prayer.

Brabara made the motion to approve Suzan Myers as our town attorney. Robert 2nd the motion was carried all in favor.

Steve Barnes presented the town with a plan to build a tower in the southwest corner of the lion's club for the New Lisbon internet. It would be away from the buildings and the ball diamond. They would need to work with adjoining property owners to be able to build here and to keep it enough distance from the roads. It needs to be at least 140 feet tall. This would not allow for the antennas to be on the new water tower. Due to the local tress in the area. Suzan asked about the liability of having it around children. He stated that it would have an 8ft fence around it, and the rung of the ladder is 12ft above ground. They would need their own ladder to even reach the first rung. They would need 25ft X 25ft area. The 22ft X 22Ft would be the base and then an area around for the fence. Suzan said the town currently leases the land to the lion's club so they would have to agree first to allow this to happen. Michael stated we would like to keep our free internet and if possible, charge a few for the land. Suzan stated she would do some research for us.

Arthur stated we need to elect a president. Robert nominated Arthur. Barbara 2nd the motion. Arthur sustained from voting. The motion was carried 2-0.

Arthur stated we needed to decide the date and time of future board meetings. The meeting was decided to be on the 1st Wednesday of every month at 5pm. Arthur made the motion to approve the date and time. Robert second the motion. Motion was carried all in favor.

Barbara made the motion to approve John Reese as our Area plan representative. Rob second the motion. Motion was carried all in favor.

Barbara made the motion to approve Arthur as our Eastern Indiana Edit Representative. Robert 2nd the motion. Arthur sustained from voting. Motion was carried 2-0.

Barbara made the motion to approve the minutes of the December 4 2024, meeting. Robert 2nd the motion. Motion was carried all in favor.

Robert made the motion to approve the claims along with all the transactions and transfers for the Bank of New York bond and interest and the Bank of New York DSR. Barbara second the motion. Motion was carried all in favor.

Arthur called for council information, there was none.

Arthur called for Attorney information. Suzan stated the fire contract with Washington Township was fine and needed to be approved. She stated after reading Union Township there was some verbiage in there that she could not recommend approval. These items were stricken from the contract last year and they had re-added them this year. The key points that needed removed were they will not be added to our insurance. We will not provide a 30-day notice to them when we change our insurance. The payment is based on receiving certain reports and the payment should be no matter what not based on reports. Michael is going to contact Greg Fisher and let him know this contract is not approved and being rewrote.

Barbara made the motion to approve the Washington Township fire contract. Robert 2nd the motion. Motion was carried all in favor.

Robert made a motion to have Suzan write up a new contract that will be presented to Union Township. Barbara 2nd the motion. Motion was carried all in favor.

Suzan ready Resolution 2025-1.

Barbara made the motion to approve Resolution 2025-1. Robert 2nd the motion. Motion was carried all in favor.

Arthur called for Employee information. Travis gave the calls report for the 2024 year. He also stated that all training had been completed by Brad, Daniel and himself. Arthur asked about reserves. Travis stated that we don't solicit, and we get better results this way. They were able to remove Fentanyl last week from a stop. It was enough to kill 36k people.

Michael stated Jonathan asked for the fire report to be given to the board and he would like a meeting set up to discuss future plans and goals with the fire dept.

Arthur called for Clerks information. Michael stated it was time to approve the yearly bonds for Himself and for Sharon.

Barbara made the motion to approve the bond for Michael Straley III. Robert 2nd the motion. The motion was carried all in favor.

Barabra made the motion to approve the bond for Sharon Abshear. Robert 2nd the motion. Motion was carried all in favor.

Michael stated Steve Brock had reached out regarding the permanent finance with the water bond. Michale stated that he would need the boards approval to get started. Once it was approved, he would need to conduct a rate study as well as get updated finances for the town.

Robert made the motion to approve Steve Brock to move forward. Barbara 2nd the motion. Motion was carried all in favor.

Michael stated that Jonathan was asking for \$21,556.80 for new radios. We have the money in Loit public safety. This would leave an ending balance of \$21,832.95. Michael stated that it needed to be noted that in the fire report there were several other items needed. This needed to be discussed with Jonathan because once this is done, it would de-plenish the budget for the fire dept and the items may be needed more. A discussion was held on the need for radios. Travis stated that they did receive the alerts on their phone, but it had a minute delay. Michael stated that this was discussed

in 2020 per old minutes. The question arose how soon the county would be switching the radios and if it was a necessity now. The board decided to table this until they had a chance to talk to Jonathan.

Arthur called for old business. Mark Moody asked did we sign the contract for the cash rent for the acreage around the Wastewater plant. Michael stated it had been approved and signed and was a two-year contract. Mark stated that we lost the town money. In the newspaper there was an ad for \$350 an acre. Suzan stated she thought that company is wanting land for manure. She stated next time we can open it up for bids next time.

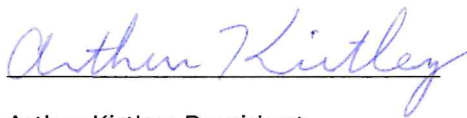
Mark then asked about the sign out front. Michael stated they are getting new quotes and still looking for funding.

Mark said he never received an answer from a few months ago on what the town employees are doing in the morning. Michael stated we were not going through this again with him. The employees were doing their job and if they weren't it was up to the three board members to decide that. He stated several people in town were concerned. Michael asked him if they were concerned about the employees to come to the meeting the first Wednesday of every month and voice their concerns. Going to him would not change things. He asked what hours they were supposed to work. Michael stated they didn't have set hours, and they were doing their job. He had safe water to drink, when he flushed his toilet it went to the sewage plant, he had protection and streets to drive down.

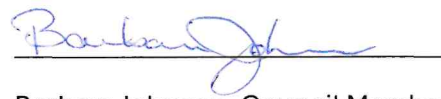
Arthur called for new business. There was none.

Arthur called for Citizen comments. There was none.

Robert made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Barbara 2nd the motion. Motion was carried all in favor.



Arthur Kirtley, President



Barbara Johnson, Council Member



Robert Hutchens, Council Member



Michael L Straley III, Clerk Treasurer