

MINUTES

ROME CITY TOWN COUNCIL

MARCH 13, 2023

**PUBLIC MEETING
ROME CITY TOWN HALL
402 KELLY STREET
ROME CITY, IN 46784**

Nick Heffner called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. All members present. Interested parties: Brenda Conley, Leigh Pranger, Heidi Lang, Dustin Fike, Scott Neukom, Pat Hess Limberlost Landing representative, attorney Charity Murphy. Also present, see sign In Sheet.

Pledge was said.

Nick Heffner asked for a motion to waive reading the minutes from the last meeting. Barb Tatman requested a correction to the minutes under Sylvan Cellars noise ordinance extension for concert series nights; to include the parking issues at Mother of Mercy property and road, as well as, St. Gaspars church and the cemetery. Cheryl Clifton made the motion to correct the minutes and approve with corrections to the minutes. Kirk Klein seconds the motion. 3 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Charity Murphy read the Policy for Input at public Town Council meetings. Nick Heffner asked for a motion to approve the Policy for Input at public Town Council meetings. Cheryl Clifton made the motion to approve the Policy for Input at public Town Council meetings. Kirk Klein seconds the motion. 3 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Old Business:

Sylvan Cellars noise ordinance extension for concert series nights

Nathan Schermerhorn presented to the Town Council as to why Sylvan Cellars is requesting an extension to the noise ordinance for the nights of the concert series. Al Langsenkamp made comment about the removing of the water tower and why it was ultimately taken down. Barb Tatman again stated that she was against the extension of the noise ordinance for the nights of the concert series. Nick Heffner and Cheryl Clifton stopped the conversation due to getting off topic from the noise ordinance extension. Nick Heffner asked for a motion to approve the extension of the noise ordinance for the concert series nights. Kirk Klein made the motion to approve the extension of the noise ordinance for the concert series nights. Cheryl Clifton seconds the motion. 3 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Rezoning Limberlost Landing

Leigh Pranger presented the amending of the Zoning Map from Single Family Residential to Lake Residential for Limberlost Landing, 4049 E 850 N and 4055 E 850 N. This rezoning comes from the Plan Commission to the Town Council with a favorable recommendation with the agreed upon private drive written commitments and the stipulation for annexation. Pat Hess stated there will be a total of twelve lots with eight lots built for housing and four lots built for garages. Nick Heffner asked for a motion to approve the amending of the Zoning Map from Single Family Residential to Lake Residential. Cheryl Clifton made the motion to approve amending of the Zoning Map from Single Family Residential to Lake Residential. Kirk Klein seconds the motion. 3 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Sealed Dump Truck Bids

Nick Heffner opened two bids that were received.

Bid #1 received from Joseph Freed: for the 2002 truck \$600.00 for the 1994 truck \$2005.00

Bid #2 received from Boyd's Auto Recycling: \$5000.00 each for both trucks

Nick Heffner asked for a motion to approve accepting the bid from Boyd's Auto Recycling for \$5000.00 each for both dump trucks. Kirk Klein made the motion to approve accepting the bid from Boyd's Auto Recycling. Cheryl Clifton seconds the motion. 3 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

New Business:

Gary Cox Equipment

Tabled until April 10, 2023 meeting. Nick Heffner asked for a motion to table Gary Cox, Equipment request, to the April 10, 2023 meeting due to Gary Cox not being present. Cheryl Clifton made the motion to approve tabling Gary Cox Equipment to the April 10, 2023 meeting. Kirk Klein seconds the motion. 3 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Heidi Lang started February 27, 2023

Acknowledged. Nick Heffner asked for a motion to approve Heidi Lang employment. Cheryl Clifton made the motion to approve Heidi Lang. Kirk Klein seconds the motion. 3 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Truck Repair Quotes

Nick Heffner reviewed two quotes that were received to repair damages to the 2021 Chevy truck.

Estimate #1 Fast Freddie Body Shop estimated total \$5818.00

Estimate #2 Shepherd's Collision Center estimated total \$7091.75

Nick Heffner asked for a motion to approve the estimate from Fast Freddie Body Shop. Cheryl Clifton made the motion to approve the estimate from Fast Freddie Body Shop. Kirk Klein seconds the motion. 3 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Watershed Agreements

Brenda Conley confirmed we have received the Watershed agreements from Momentum/Precision, Orange Township Fire, Fruition. We are still waiting for the agreement to be turned in from Aggregate Systems. Nick Heffner asked for a motion to approve the Watershed agreements for two year contract ending December 31, 2025. Cheryl Clifton made the motion to approve the Watershed agreements. Kirk Klein seconds the motion. 3 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

CF-1 Sylvan Farms

CF-1 from Sylvan Farms has been received and completed. Barb Tatman asked what the tax allowance was for. Cheryl Clifton informed Barb Tatman that is was for the Real property for Sylvan Farms. Nick Heffner asked for a motion to approve the CF-1 Sylvan Farms form. Cheryl Clifton made the motion to approve the CF-1 Sylvan Farms form. Kirk Klein seconds the motion. 3 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Amend Ord. Grant TIF

Brenda Conley presented the Amended Ord. Grant TIF. Nick Heffner asked for a motion to approve the amended Ord. Grant TIF. Kirk Klein made the motion to approve the amended Ord. Grant TIF. Cheryl Clifton seconds the motion. 3 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Town Hall quote for washing Windows

Total Property Preservation submitted a quote for approval with quoted price \$399.00 to wash the Town Hall windows. Nick Heffner asked for a motion to approve the submitted quote for \$399.00 to wash the Town Hall windows. Cheryl Clifton made the motion to approve the quote to wash the Town Hall windows. Kirk Klein seconds the motion. 3 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Amend Salary Ordinance for Training

Brenda Conley presented the Amended Salary Ordinance for Training for training of the new Clerk-Treasurer at a rate of \$24.00 per hour. Nick Heffner asked for a motion to approve the Amended Salary Ordinance for Training. Cheryl Clifton made the motion to approve the Amended Salary Ordinance for Training. Kirk Klein seconds the motion. 3 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

14 New Cabinets for Sewer Grinders total \$26,950.00 out of ARP Fund

Scott Neukom presented the requested to have 14 new cabinets for sewer grinders to complete this 10 year project for a total of \$26,950.00 to come out of the ARP Fund. Brenda Conley confirmed there are enough funds to cover this cost in the ARP Fund. Nick Heffner asked for a motion to approve the purchase of 14 new cabinets for sewer grinders. Cheryl Clifton made the motion to approve the purchase of 14 new cabinets for sewer grinders. Kirk Klein seconds the motion. 3 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Liability Waiver for Town of LaGrange to use range

Charity Murphy will obtain the Liability Waiver to allow the Town of LaGrange to use the shooting range. Nick Heffner asked for a motion to approve Charity Murphy to obtain the Liability Waiver for the Town of LaGrange to use the shooting range. Cheryl Clifton made the motion to approve Charity Murphy to obtain the Liability Waiver. Kirk Klein seconds the motion. 3 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Trick or Treat

Brenda Conley presented to have the Trick or Treat date and time to fall on October 31, 2023 from 5-7pm. Nick Heffner asked for a motion to approve the Trick or Treat date and time to be October 31, 2023 from 5-7pm. Kirk Klein made the motion to approve the Trick or Treat date and time. Cheryl Clifton seconds the motion. 3 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Special Resolution 2023-01

Commending Clerk-Treasurer Brenda Conley for twenty years of service to the town of Rome City.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

Street/Wastewater, monthly (see attached)
Town Marshal, monthly (see attached)
Town Manager, monthly (see attached)

CLAIMS PRESENTED FOR PAYMENT:

TOWN FUNDS: \$137,824.49

SEWER OPERATIONG: \$58,485.31

Nick Heffner asked for a motion to approve the claims. Cheryl Clifton made the motion to approve to pay the claims. Kirk Klein seconds the motion. 3 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Next Town Council Meeting, April 10, 2023 at 6:30pm, Rome City Town Hall, 402 Kelly Street, Rome City, IN 46784

Nick Heffner asked for a motion to adjourn at 7:30pm. Kirk Klein made the motion to adjourn. Cheryl Clifton seconds the motion. 3 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

ROME CITY TOWN HALL



Nick Heffner, President

ATTEST:



Brenda K. Conley
Clerk-Treasurer