

# MINUTES

MAY 9, 2022

## ROME CITY TOWN COUNCIL 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, Nick Heffner, Kirk Klein and Cheryl Clifton present. Also, present Brenda Conley, Leigh Pranger, Charity Murphy attorney, Paul Hoffman, Les Nivens, Cindy O'Brien, Pam Baker and Scott Neukom. Bill Eberhard attorney by zoom.

Pledge was said.

### **Old Business:**

#### **Terry Williams grant from TIF**

Terry Williams presented claims for remodeling his laundry mat. Brenda Conley stated there was a problem and that he included an amount twice in the report. Brenda stated the total amount of the cost was not \$2165.66 it is \$1787.71. The TIF grant is for ½ the cost which will be \$893.85. Leigh will contact Terry Williams about this. Nick Heffner said he would like to make a motion that if Terry Williams agrees to the mistake, then he should be awarded the \$893.85. All members agreed. Kirk Klein made the motion to pay the \$893.85. Cheryl Clifton seconds the motions. 3 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

#### **CF-1 Tax Abatement**

Brenda Conley presented Precision Medical Technologies, Inc. for personal property. All members looked it over and Bill Eberhard approved. Nick Heffner asked for a motion to approve the tax abatement for Precision Medical Technologies for personal property. Kirk Klein made the motion to approve. Cheryl Clifton seconds the motion. 3 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Momentum Properties, LLC for Real Estate Improvements. All members looked it over and Bill Eberhard approved. Nick Heffner asked for a motion to approve. Kirk Klein made the motion to approve Momentum Properties, LLC for Real Property. Cheryl Clifton seconds the motion. 3 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Sylvan Farms LLC for Real Estate Improvements. All members looked it over. Bill Eberhard approved. Nick Heffner asked for a motion to approve. Kirk Klein made the motion to approve Sylvan Farms LLC for Real Estate Improvements. Cheryl Clifton seconds the motion. 3 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Brenda stated Momentum Industrial did not want to do another tax abatement for Personal Property and they sent an email stating this. They are finished with tax abatements for the Personal Property.

Brenda Conley has tried to get in contact with Aggregates/Staggs by email twice and the county assessor has also contacted them, no responses so they are finished with tax abatements.

#### **Boyce/Keystone contact**

Brenda Conley presented the cost for the fund, payroll, billing and assets programs with Boyce/Keystone. It went up 5% more. Total cost for all programs for a year is \$7795.00. Nick Heffner asked for a motion to approve the Boyce/Keystone contract. Cheryl Clifton made the motion to approve. Kirk Klein seconds the motion. 3 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

#### **Ordinance 2022-04 Reestablish the CCD fund**

Brenda Conley presented Ordinance 2022-04 to Reestablish the CCD fund. Brenda stated it is down to .035 per 100 now and it can be up to .050. Brenda stated it has been advertised so now we wait 30 days to see if anyone wants to object to the reestablishment. Nick Heffner read the ordinance and asked for a motion to approve. Kirk Klein made the motion to approve ordinance 2022-04. Cheryl Clifton seconds the motion. 3 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

#### **Miller Backhoe quote for Kim Miller property**

Leigh Pranger state Tom Miller submitted a quote a year ago for this project and was awarded but the work was never done due to the town ran into some problems. Leigh also contacted other contractors and they did not get back with her. The quote went up \$400.00. Nick Heffner asked for a motion to approve Miller Backhoe for the cost of \$5260.00. Cheryl Clifton made the motion to approve. Kirk Klein seconds the motion. 3 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

#### **Sherbondy Quit Claim**

Leigh Pranger presented the quit claims for Sherbondy and Steinecker. Leigh stated these are already approved just had to make a few changes. All members looked them over. Bill Eberhard approved. Nick Heffner signed the forms.

#### **New Hire**

Brenda Conley stated they have hired Jennifer Dunderman for the deputy clerk position. Pam Kline will be leaving May 31, 2022 and Jennifer will be starting May 16, 2022.

**Town Manager (see attached)**

**Street/Wastewater**

Scott Neukom stated we need a new garage door on the sewer plant garage. Michiana Door gave a quote of \$3325.00, and Auburn Door was \$3592.77. Scott stated Michiana Door has the door in stock and it is insulated, and Michiana Door will install. Nick Heffner asked a motion to approve Michiana Door for the new sewer plant garage door. Cheryl Clifton made the motion to approve Michiana Door. Kirk Klein second the motion. 3 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

There was also a yearly update from Clearbrook for the chemicals that are used at the ponds. That report was sent to the town council before the meeting.

**Town Marshal (see attached)**

Paul Hoffman stated after checking the speed of vehicles going down Jackson that he is recommending that we make the intersection of Martin and Jackson a four way stop. Leigh Pranger stated an ordinance needs to be done for this to happen. Bill Eberhard will do an ordinance for the June meeting for the town council approval.

**Claims Presented for Payment:**

Town funds: \$101,406.93

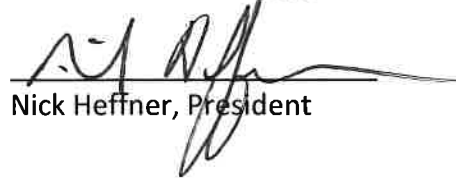
Sewer Operating: \$44,516.06

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


Nick Heffner stated the next town council meeting is June 13, 2022 at 6:30pm at the Rome City Town Hall, 402 Kelly Street, Rome City, IN

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

**ROME CITY TOWN COUNCIL**

  
Nick Heffner, President

**ATTEST:**

  
Brenda K. Conley  
Clerk-Treasurer