MINUTES

TOWN OF ROME CITY PUBLIC MEETING

JULY 12, 2021

ROME CITY TOWN HALL 402 KELLY STREET ROME CITY, IN 46794

Kirk Klein called the meeting to order at 6:35pm. Kirk Klein and Cheryl Clifton present, Nick Heffner excused.

Also present, Brenda Conley, Leigh Pranger, Bill Eberhard, Paul Hoffman and others on the signup sheet, attached.

Pledge was said.

Kirk Klein asked for a motion to wave reading the minutes from the last meeting. Cheryl Clifton made the motion to wave reading the minutes. Kirk Klein's seconds the motion. 2 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Ordinance 2021-07 animal discharge on town streets

Bill Eberhard read the ordinance. Leigh Pranger would like to have changes made as far as including dogs and other animals not just horses. Bill Eberhard stated this would have to be an additional ordinance. Bill Eberhard stated he will present these ordinances at a public meeting. Bill Eberhard stated this ordinance pertains to all horses not just the Amish horse owners. Paul Hoffman asked about parades and if this should be included in the ordinance that any animal in the parade needs to have someone pick up after them. Bill Eberhard stated he can do that. Tina Wilkinson asked if the town will be liable for a discrimination charge with this ordinance. Bill stated he has not seen that happened when he was doing one for LaGrange, but you never know. Cheryl Clifton made a motion to have a public meeting on this ordinance. Kirk Klein seconds the motion. 2 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Ordinance 2021-06 Amend Traffic Code

Bill Eberhard read ordinance 2021-06. No questions were asked. Cheryl Clifton made a motion to approve the ordinance on the second reading. Kirk Klein seconds the motion. 2 aye, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Ordinance 2021-05 Amend CEDIT

Brenda Conley stated this ordinance was approved at the last meeting but was not signed. All members signed the ordinance.

611 Jackson Street Property

Bill Eberhard opened the sealed bids on the property at 611 Jackson Street. Habitat for Humanity \$8500.00, Mike Jones \$9500.00 and Mary Jo Hill \$10,000.00. Bill Eberhard stated that who ever the council approves for the purchase of this property the purchaser will have to pay all legal fees, deeds, and recordings in addition to the approve sale cost. Cheryl Clifton made a motion to accept Mary Jo Hill for \$10,000.00. Kirk Klein seconds the motion. 2 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Housing Authority Board

Paula Fox has resigned from the Housing Authority Board and Patti Leathers has been approved to take her place. Cheryl Clifton made the motion to approve. Kirk Kline seconds the motion. 2 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

BOBCAT

Leigh stated the bobcat renewal is up and along with the \$1000.00 that we pay each year to get a new bobcat they can not get the same model. To upgrade it will cost \$4593.02 plus the \$1000.00. total amount \$5593.00. This includes the maintenance. Cheryl Clifton made the motion to accept the quote for Truelove. Kirk Klein seconds the motion. 2 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

LOADER

Leigh Pranger presented two quotes for repair on the backhoe. RPM \$13,415.02 and Brandeis \$14,991.84. Scott Neukom recommended RPM due to work that Brandeis has done in the past. Kirk Klein stated this is an estimate so we should set a limit on how much higher it might go. Cheryl Clifton suggested going up to \$15,000.00 and no more, Kirk Klein agreed. Cheryl Clifton made the motion to accept RPM and not go over \$15,000.00. Kirk Klein seconds the motion. 2 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

LAKESIDE PARK BASKETBALL COURT

Brenda Conley stated kids want to play basketball at Lakeside Park but there are cars parked in the area of the basketball hoops and they cannot play. Leigh stated there are people parking in that area and she will put it on the agenda for the park board meeting. Leigh will report back to the town council.

DUMP TRUCKS

Leigh stated both dump trucks need lots of work. Leigh stated we can get them repaired or look for other dump trucks. Scott Neukom and Dan DeLong will investigate into new ones and used ones and see what can be done. Otherwise, they will need to be repaired and the cost is high. Leigh will report back to the town council.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

TOWN MANAGER (SEE ATTACHED)

STREET/WASTEWATER: Scott Neukom talked about the sewer plant levels.

TOWN MARSHAL: (SEE ATTACHED)

CLAIMS PRESENTED FOR PAYMENT:

TOWN FUNDS: \$105,656.05 SEWER OPERTING: \$48,268.73

Cheryl Clifton made the motion to approve the claims. Kirk Klein's seconds the motion. 2 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Next Town Council meeting is August 9, 2021 at 6:30pm at the Rome City Town Hall, 402 Kelly Street, Rome City, IN 46784

Cheryl Clifton made the motion to adjourn at 7:29pm. Kirk Klein's seconds the motion. 2 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Rome City Fown Council

Kirk Klein, Vice-President

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Brenda K. Conley

Clerk-Treasurer