

# MINUTES

OCTOBER 11, 2021

## ROME CITY PUBLIC MEETING

ROME CITY TOWN HALL  
402 KELLY STREET  
ROME CITY, IN 46784

2022 Budget adoption meeting was call to order at 6:30pm. All members present. All members looked over the budget for 2022. Nick Heffner asked for a motion to approve the 2022 budget, ordinance 2021-08. Kirk Klein made the motion to approve Ordinance 2021-08, 2022 budget. Cheryl Clifton seconds the motion. 3 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Nick Heffner asked for a motion to close the budget adoption meeting at 6:40pm. Kirk Klein made the motion to close. Cheryl Clifton seconds the motion. 3 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Nick Heffner called the regular meeting to order at 6:41pm. All members, Nick Heffner, Kirk Klein and Cheryl Clifton present. Present Brenda Conley, Leigh Pranger, Paul Hoffman and Bill Eberhard. Present also is attached sign in sheet.

Pledge was said.

Nick Heffner 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 seconds the motion. 3 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

### OLD BUSINESS:

#### Horse Effluent, Ordinance or Resolution

Bill Eberhard stated after consulting with the council after the last meeting he has a Resolution instead of the Ordinance that he wanted to present. Bill Eberhard read Resolution 2021-09. Bill stated he did not put in the resolution anything about prohibiting the horse from the lake and town streets. Bill stated he did not put fines in the resolution either. Cheryl Clifton stated she would like to wait on the fines. Cheryl Clifton also stated since the barrel is at Miller Super Value, she has not noticed any smell from that area. Paul Hoffman would like fines to be included with the resolution. Nick Heffner asked for any comments. Josh Miller stated they have talked to church people, and they know what they must do in Rome City and that consists of staying out of the residential areas with the horses and to clean up the mess your horses leave behind at the businesses. John Martin asks if the resolution is less enforceable then an ordinance would be. Bill stated no because you can put a fine in the resolution. Tina Wilkinson asked who is responsible to take care of the barrel at the hook up areas? Bill stated the safety committee for the Amish and the business owner. Bill stated that if a barrel is at the landing area, then the safety committee is responsible to take care on the waste. If there are complaints about the barrels not being taken care of then Leigh Pranger or Paul Hoffman will need to call the safety committee and let them know. If it isn't taken care of after that then the fines can be issued. Kenny Bontrager has a father on the safety committee, and they have stated they will respond to any complaints. Bill Eberhard stated that this is just the first reading of the resolution, and he can add to it the fines and no horses is the residential areas. Nick Heffner stated to bring the revised one to the next town council meeting for review.

**Dump Truck Update**

Leigh Pranger stated the new dump trucks should be ready by April 2022. The total estimate cost is \$336,000.00. Leigh will keep the council informed.

**NEW BUSINESS:****Leaf Pick Up**

Leigh Pranger presented a schedule of the leaf pick up for town.

**Compliance with Nepotism**

Brenda Conley presented the compliance with nepotism policy for all elected officials. This must be done every year and sent to the state. All elected officials signed the forms.

**DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:**

Town Manager (see attached)

Leigh Pranger stated she has received 1 quote for moving the asphalt from Front and North Streets to the parks and recycle areas. She is still waiting on another quote and will let the town council know when it comes in.

Leigh Pranger presented a building permit 2021-3132 from Sylvan Lake Association. They are paying for a new building to be built on Boy Scout Island by the Lions Club. Leigh is asking the council to forgo the permit fee of \$55.00. Nick Heffner asked for a motion to not charge for the building permit. Cheryl Clifton made to motion to not charge for the building permit on Boy Scout Island. Kirk Klein seconds the motion. 3 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

**Street/Wastewater**

Leigh Pranger read the report from Scott Neukom. (see attached)

Town Marshal (see attached)

**CLAIM PRESENTED FOR PAYMENT:**

TOWN FUNDS: \$123,944.01

SEWER OPERATING: \$62,152.78

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

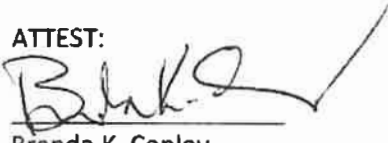
Next town council meeting is November 8, 2021 at 6:30pm at the Rome City Town Hall, 402 Kelly St., Rome City, IN 46784

Nick Heffner asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:14pm. Kirk Klein made the motion to adjourn. Cheryl Clifton seconds the motion. 3 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

ROME CITY TOWN COUNCIL

  
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Nick Heffner, President

ATTEST:

  
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Brenda K. Conley  
Clerk-Treasurer