

Trail Creek Town Council
Monthly Meeting: January 23, 2024

The Trail Creek Town Council met in regular session on Tuesday, January 23, 2024, at 7:00pm, at the Town Hall, 211 Rainbow Trail, Trail Creek, Indiana. This meeting was moved a week later due to training for the Clerk Treasurer to attend. Mrs. Jennifer Heath, Council President, led the Pledge of Allegiance to open the meeting. Town Attorney ,Christopher Willoughby , was not in attendance.

Presentation: Marshall Steve Dick thanks and honors Sean Fagen with a plaque for the generous donation for the purchase of 4 radar signs.

Minutes: A motion to approve the minutes from December 2023 meeting was made by Peter Pizarek; seconded by Laura Saenz. Motion was unanimously carried.

Approval of Fund Report: Clerk Treasurer, Crystal Frever, provided a copy of the Fund Report for December 2023 to the Council. A motion was made by Warren Schacht to approve the fund report; seconded by Peter Pizarek. Motion was unanimously carried.

Approval of Claims: Clerk Treasurer, Crystal Frever, provided copies of the bills for December 2023, totaling \$478,334.08 (FORTY SEVEN EIGHT THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED THIRTY FOUR DOLLARS AND EIGHT CENTS). A motion was made by Warren Schacht to approve the bills as presented; seconded by Pete Pizarek. Motion was unanimously carried.

Correspondence: No Report

Reports:

MS4:

- o Approval of Global Contract. A motion was made by Pete Pizarek to approve the contract with Global; seconded by Christopher Ott. Motion was unanimously carried.

Attorney: Attorney Chris Willoughby, not in attendance. Mrs Jennifer Heath, Council President reported:

- o 235 Harding is subjected to a transfer of ownership as a result of a tax sale.
- o Town Hall Renovation -council should review, date and sign updated forms.

Engineer:

- o Sam Ozeh of Haas and Associates finalized the CCMG 2024 program. The underrun has been sent. INDOT will be sending email with the closing of the project.

Police Department: Marshal Dick in attendance to report:

- o Sean Fagen donating to purchase 4 more radar signs
- o The Deputy Coroner wanted to report his appreciation for Sgt. Korepanow in his life saving measures and his professionalism.
- o Thanks to the Street Department for their hard work

Street Department: Street Commissioner, Dave Baker in attendance to report:

- o Plow Truck was in the repair shop. Plow was repaired and in working condition.
- o Trash was canceled on Friday due to weather. Trash cans should be removed from roadway for plow trucks and emergency personal
- o Salt has been delivered
- o Storm Drains - snow removal has begun.

Park Board: Park Board President, Amanda Wojasinski in attendance to report.

- o Re-elected Park Board President - Amanda Wojasinski
Park Board Vice President - Katrina Vedo
- o Delivery of swing set per weather permitted at Nelson Park
Removal of old swing set \$2520.00
- o Centennial Celebration at Nelson Park Date Set for June 22, 2024
- o Pups and Posies at Bark Park Date Set May 11, 2024

Building Commissioner: No Report

Planning and Zoning: No Report

NIRPC: No Report

Old Business

- o **Town Hall Renovations** - Warren Schacht;
Approval of cost
Date set to start Renovation: April 1, 2024
A motion was made by Warren Schacht to approve the contract. Pete Pizarek seconded.
Motion was unanimously carried.
- o **Town Welcoming Signs** - Warren Schacht;
Approval of signs
Estimate of (5) 4X4 signs \$1,185,60
A motion was made by Pete Pizarek not to exceed more than \$1,200.00 for the signs.
Christopher Ott seconded the motion. Motion was unanimously carried.
- o **Golf Carts** - No golf carts permitted. A motion was made by Pete Pizarek. Second motion from Laura Saenz. Motion was unanimously carried.
- o **Employee Handbook** - Jennifer Heather;
Update of handbook. Date scheduled for special meeting 6pm Feb. 12, 2024
Contact Vendor to finalize.

New Business:

- **2024 Appointments:**
 - o **Council President:** A motion was made to re-elect Jennifer Heath as Council President by Peter Pizarek; seconded by Laura Saenz. Motion was unanimously carried.
 - o **Vice President:** A motion was made to re-elect Peter Pizarek as Council Vice President by Warren Schacht; second by Christopher Ott. Motion was unanimously carried.
 - o **Street Commissioner:** A motion was made to appoint Dave Baker as Street Commissioner by Peter Pizarek; seconded by Laura Saenz. Motion was unanimously carried.
 - o **Attorney:** A motion was made to appoint Christopher Willoughby as the Town Attorney by Peter Pizarek; seconded by Laura Saenz. Motion was unanimously carried.

- o **Engineer:** A motion was made to appoint Hass & Associates as the Engineer by Pete Pizarek; seconded by Laura Saenz. Motion was unanimously carried.
- o **Park Board Liaison:** A motion was made to appoint Laura Saenz as the Park Board Liaison by Peter Pizarek ; seconded by Christopher Ott. Motion was unanimously carried.
- o **Police Liaison:** A motion was made to appoint Warren Schacht as Police Liaison by Laura Saenz; seconded by Christopher Ott. Motion was unanimously carried.
- o **Zoning Liaison:** A motion was made to appoint Pete Pizarek as Zoning Liaison by Warren Schacht; seconded by Laura Saenz. Motion was unanimously carried.
- o **NIRPC Liaison:** A motion was made to appoint Crystal Frever as NIRPC Liaison by Pete Pizarek; seconded by Christopher Ott. Motion was unanimously carried.
- o **Board Appointed:** A motion to retain the board as it stands by Pete Pizarek; seconded by Laura Saenz. Motion was unanimously carried.
- o **Police Board:** A motion to has been made to appoint John Duedek to the Police Board by Pete Pizark; seconded by Laura Saenz. Motion was unanimously carried.

Public Comment:

- Kristen Wozniak of St. Stan's received approval for the 12th annual St. Stan's 5k Route to start/finish moved to the Moose Lodge on Welnetz Road. A request of Welnetz be closed for 2 to 3 hours during the race. Kristen Wozniak will be contacting residents in the homes in the surrounding area of road closure.

Clerk's Comment:

- No Report

Council Comments:

- Warren Schacht - Web page is updated with new Members.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made at 7:56pm by Peter Pizarek; seconded by Laura Saenz. Motion was carried unanimously.