# Resolution 2021-02 to Transfer Funds from the EDIT Funds to Gas Utility for the Payment of Extraordinary Purchased Gas Bill Ordinance 2021-06 Making a Loan to the Pittsboro Gas Utility

# PITTSBORO TOWN COUNCIL MEETING TUESDAY, MARCH 2, 2021 @ 8:00 PM

QUORUM: Jarod Baker Melodi Ingalls William Majeske Jay Thompson Randy Price

Jim Buddenbaum, Attorney Shari L. Ping, Clerk Treasurer

OTHERS: Jason Love, Town Manager; Steve Maple, Building Commissioner ZOOM attendees: Brian Estes, Kyle Martin, Larry Woods, Margaret Osmon, Spring Deaton, Tom Stinson, Sharry Fears, Robert A, Lauren Snyder, Carolyn Nohr, David Price, Larry

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & MOMENT OF SILENCE:

President Jarod Baker brought the Town Council Meeting to order at 8:03 pm in the Pittsboro Fire Station meeting room by establishing a quorum. All five (5) members are present. Jarod then asked the Council, staff and audience to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance and to follow with a Moment of Silence.

# RESOLUTION: THE RECOUPING OF INCREMENTAL GAS COSTS FOR THE FEBRUARY BILLING

President Jarod Baker turned the meeting over to Jason Love, Town Manager, to explain the recent gas costs. Jason went over the attached handout with the estimated bill from UGM. Jason explained that this is not our true bill. The increase for our transportation costs has doubled hence why we are in a lawsuit. We have never changed our tracker to cover the transportation costs. We have a shortfall of \$470,000 for our February bill. Gas utility operating has \$178,894 in the fund so we can't pay our bill. This is the reason for the resolution and ordinance to borrow from another utility and another fund. The tracker has currently set at -\$2.00 from \$8/1000 CCF=\$6.00. We are taking the tracker from a -\$2.00 to a +\$2.75=\$8.75/1000. Our Sewer utility has a lot of money so we will borrow from the sewer fund and pay back over the next year. We will need to move money from the operating to a gas reserve to gas. Jarod Baker asked Jason with the .75/1000 increase, what does he anticipate for a bill? Jason said the increase should be an increase of \$27.50/10,000 CCF. Jason explained how the EDIT fund does not need to be paid back.

Discussion followed, please go to the Pittsboro Indiana Town Council Facebook page.

Jarod Baker went over the Resolution 2021-02 to Transfer Funds from the EDIT Funds to Gas Utility for the Payment of Extraordinary Purchased Gas Bill. Bill Majeske made the motion to approve said Resolution, Jay Thompson seconded. Roll call vote: Bill-yes, Randy-yes, Melodi-yes, Jay-yes, Jarod-yes. Motion passes 5-0.

Jim Buddenbaum explained the ordinance can be considered tonight and if unanimous vote can be voted on tonight. Jarod Baker read the Ordinance 2021-06 Making a Loan to the Pittsboro Gas Utility. Bill Majeske made the motion to consider said ordinance, Jarod Baker seconded. Roll call vote: Bill-yes, Randy-yes, Melodi-yes, Jay-yes, Jarod-yes. Motion passes 5-0. Jarod Baker then asked for a motion to approve said ordinance. Jay Thompson made the motion, Bill Majeske seconded. Roll call vote: Bill-yes, Randy-yes, Melodi-yes, Jay-yes, Jarod-yes. Motion passes 5-0.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT

See attached for list of questions from the public and tune into the Facebook page for the answers.

Jarod Baker said Jim Buddenbaum and Jason Love need all the kudos with working along with UGM. Bill Majeske thanked Jim and Jason. Jason Love thanked the community during that cold snap for all they did to reduce the consumption.

### **DRAFTS & CLAIMS**

Jarod Baker asked for a motion to approve the March 2, 2021 drafts & claims as presented by Shari Ping. Bill Majeske made the motion to approve, Jarod Baker seconded. Roll call vote: Bill-yes, Randy-yes, Melodi-yes, Jayyes, Jarod-yes. Motion passes 5-0.

## ADJOURNMENT:

Jarod Baker reminded everyone that the next meeting will be March 16<sup>th</sup> online and with ZOOM. Jarod asked for a motion to adjourn. Bill Majeske made the motion, Randy Price seconded. Roll call vote: Bill-yes, Randy-yes, Melodi-yes, Jay-yes, Jarod-yes. Motion passes 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Shari L. Ping Clerk Treasurer

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