

**PITTSBORO TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
33 EAST MAIN STREET, PITTSBORO
TUESDAY, JANUARY 17, 2023 @ 7:00 PM**

QUORUM:

Jarod Baker
Terry Northern
William Majeske
Jay Thompson – Team Viewer
Randy Price

Jim Buddenbaum, Attorney
Shari L. Ping, Clerk Treasurer
Scott King, Police Chief

OTHERS: Jason Love, Town Manager; Jack and Robin Swalley, 128 S Maple Street; Larry Compton, 7758 Quail Creek Trace; Linda Thompson, 7722 Quail Creek Trace; Jeanene Karn, 7722 Quail Creek Trace; Eric Wathen, ELW Consulting; Brian Bilger, Hendricks County Economic Development Partnership

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & MOMENT OF SILENCE:

President Jarod Baker brought the Town Council Meeting to order at 7:00 pm by establishing a quorum. All five (5) members are present, Jay Thompson is joining us through Team Viewer. Jarod then asked the Council, staff, and audience to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance and to follow with a Moment of Silence.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

OLD BUSINESS

Potential Change of Meeting Dates – Jarod Baker explained the reason for putting this on the agenda. If we change to the first Tuesday, there would be three (3) meetings cancelled due to election dates and 4th of July. He would like to see us keep the third Tuesday as our main meeting. The first Tuesday could be used for as needed meetings or special topics. Jarod would like to see a resolution to support this change as well as putting in place for all old business or new business, we would establish a 10 minute time limit for each topic. Also, a public hearing time limit would be limited to 5 minutes. Jarod then asked the council for their comments. Bill Majeske would like to see the third Tuesday stay as our main meeting to allow other boards and commissions to have their meetings to report on. Bill also agrees to the time limits as mentioned above. Randy Price agrees with Bill Majeske on the third Tuesday and supports the time limit. Terry Northern has mixed emotions – this was voted on at the last meeting and we are wasting time again. We felt moving our meeting closer to the Advisory Plan Commission meeting to move their items quicker. In regards to the agenda items, he likes a fixed time limit but doesn't feel ten minutes is long enough. In terms of the public comment, he feels two (2) minutes is long enough. He loves the idea of time limits on the agenda items, but we will need to adhere to the Roberts Rule. Jarod feels we should create a meeting order and moving the agenda items quickly. Jay Thompson said the meeting date doesn't matter to him, he was only thinking of the Plan Commission items being voted on sooner. Time limits are good, but he would like to ask the public if they think two (2) minutes is adequate. He feels we should proceed with a resolution to have everything documented. Jarod Baker made a motion to move back to the third Tuesday as main meeting, the first Tuesday will be as needed, Bill Majeske seconded. Roll call vote: Bill-yes, Jay-yes, Terry-yes, Randy-yes, Jarod-yes. Motion passes 5-0.

NEW BUSINESS

READI Grant – Jarod Baker explained the READI Grant and the reason for putting it on the agenda. He introduced Brian Bilger, Executive Director, Hendricks County Economic Development Partnership, who explained the process of awarding the READI Grant. We received \$887,777 in ready funds to help pay for the lift station/forced main project north of the interstate. Jarod read the letter of financial commitment which is \$1,122,223 from our Sewer Depreciation Fund. Jason Love explained the Economic Development guidelines in the beginning was to help our growth which we will need on the north side of I74. There is no deadline to spend it. Terry Northern voiced an opposing opinion to the use of the funds, he is in favor of the READI Grant but he feels it should go to the current sewer plant. Terry then explained the process for the Jones Development and the infrastructure. Brian Bilger explained that developers will pass you by without infrastructure and ready to go buildings. Jay Thompson agrees with Terry and feels the developer make the investment rather than us. Jarod explained we are in this project and are

limited to how we can spend the funds. Jarod Baker asked for a motion to allow him to sign the letter of financial commitment from the Sewer Depreciation to build the lift station and forced main. Bill Majeske made the motion, Jarod Baker seconded. Roll call vote: Terry-no, Randy-yes, Bill-yes, Jay-no, Jarod-yes. Motion passes 3-2.

Jason Love asked the Council – Does the Council want growth commercially or not? Terry Northern is all for growth, but you put in the infrastructure to put in a lift station but no capacity to support it. We should focus on the current wastewater plant. Jason explained that we could utilize the TIF dollars the minute they break ground. Jarod would like to lean on our Economic Development Commission to help with TIF areas. Brian suggests having buildings ready to go. That will speed the businesses to our market.

Appointment of Boards & Commissions –

Redevelopment Commission – Jarod Baker appointed Joyce Compton to a one (1) year term ending 12/31/23.

Jarod Baker appointed Jim Borthwick to a one (1) year term ending 12/31/23.

Jarod Baker appointed Larry Woods to a one (1) year term ending 12/31/23.

Economic Development Commission – Jarod Baker made a motion to appoint Spring Deaton to a one (1) year term, Roll call vote: Terry-yes, Randy-yes, Jarod-yes, Bill-yes, Jay-yes, motion passes 5-0.

Jarod Baker made a motion to appoint Zach Buchanan to a one (1) year term. Roll call vote: Terry-yes, Randy-yes, Jarod-yes, Bill-yes, Jay-yes, motion passes 5-0.

Jarod Baker made a motion to appoint Jason Love to a one (1) year term. Roll call vote: Terry-yes, Randy-yes, Jarod-yes, Bill-yes, Jay-yes, motion passes 5-0.

Jason Love read comments from Town Hall Streams – Brian Estes agrees with Terry Northern, and the developer should bear the burden of the infrastructure. Where is the Town coming up with all this money? Money will come from the Sewer Depreciation Fund.

Spring Deaton feels we should bring in the Economic Development Commission to these meetings. Jarod agreed and said they will be at all future meetings.

WM/ Ray's Trash Update – Jarod Baker turned the meeting over to Jason Love to give an update. Jason explained that Ray's sold out to Waste Management. He finally got a hold of a live person and she explained that she has no answer. Jason started looking at a trash trucks. He got a hold of Aaron Jordan from WM and told him that our service is terrible from WM. Jason explained that he works for five (5) people and need to answer to our customers. We keep hearing about our rates being raised but you are not providing a service that we are currently paying for. Aaron Jordan contacted Kirby Duncan, Public Sector Senior Manager, and Jason asked him for a rate to dump in his landfill. Aaron Jordan reached out to Jason asking what kind of truck, how many tons a day? We will solely pick up our customers in town. Dumpsters will be serviced by WM. Aaron put together a contract for 3 ton a day for \$33.50 per ton. The cost of the truck is \$89,000, \$34,000 per tonnage, and I already have a person in house to take over the sanitation, he will need to hire a laborer. Insurance cost will be \$1300. Jarod Baker explained that before going this route, we reached out to several waste companies and they were not interested in taking over the town. Rumpke said it's not feasible. A company in Crawfordsville said it is too far away. Heavy Trash may be paused for a year until we can see how the regular trash service turns out. Only Town residents will be picked up, paying trash service to us. Bill Majeske asked if we received an explanation from WM. Jason explained that WM took over Ray's fleet and half of them didn't pass safety inspection. Jason explained that we will take baby steps and eventually we could have a roll off truck and service our commercial customers and the Town's trash.

Spring Deaton asked how much do we receive from our residents? Shari Ping figured \$225,000 a year.

Jason explained that he pulled out the contract which has expired and we are on a month to month basis. We would need to give written notice but they could still hold us to 180 days bill out. Jim Buddenbaum suggested writing up a MOU. Jason explained that our Sanitation Fund has \$290,000 sitting in it. Terry asked about the GO Bond money being used to purchase the truck. Jarod feels we can save money and provide a better service to our residents. Bill Majeske asked if we could put it in a contract to continue with our commercial customers. Jason would like approval to put an ad in the paper and hire a laborer. Jarod would like to give approval to Jason to proceed with an MOU for dump fees with WM, negotiation with WM to end date and proceed with establishing a job posting to work the truck. Terry Northern added he would support the use of the GO Bond money to use at Jason's discretion. Bill Majeske

made a motion to allow Jason to pursue with an MOU with the landfill, an MOU with WM and creation of a job posting for a laborer and to purchase a trash truck. Terry Northern seconded. Roll call vote: Terry-yes, Randy-yes, Jarod-yes, Bill-yes, Jay-yes. Motion passes 5-0.

COUNCIL COMMENT:

Jarod Baker wanted to remind everyone that we will be meeting on February 7th. The rep from The Republican will be here to take photos so please arrive early. The Salary Manual update will be discussed as well.

Jay Thompson asked about the payment for the Fleece TIF. Did we receive their payment? Shari said yes.

CORRESPONDENCE:

APPROVAL OF DRAFTS & CLAIMS:

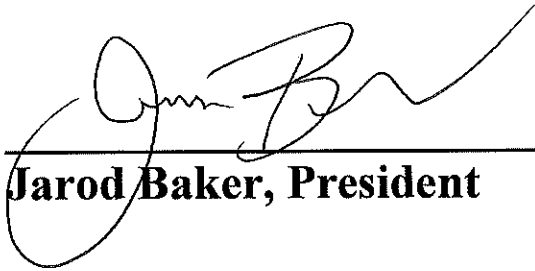
Shari Ping presented the drafts & claims for January 17, 2023 which includes all payments since our January 3rd meeting. Jarod Baker made the motion to approve, Bill Majeske seconded. All ayes, motion passes 5-0.

ADJOURNMENT:

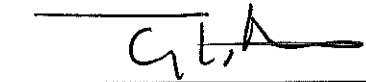
Jarod Baker reminded everyone that the next meeting will be February 7th at 7:00 pm. Jay Thompson made the motion to adjourn, Randy Price seconded. All ayes, motion passes 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,


Shari L. Ping
Clerk Treasurer



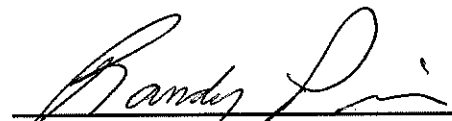
Jarod Baker, President



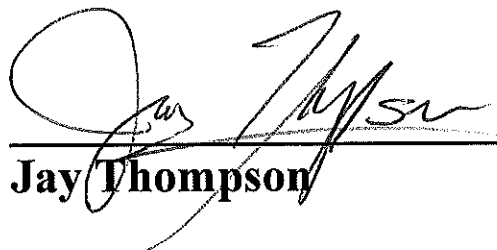
Terry Northern




William Majeske



Randy Price



Jay Thompson

Attest: 

Shari L. Ping, Clerk Treasurer