

MINUTES

OCTOBER 14, 2019

Rome City Town Council Public Meeting and Budget Adoption Meeting

Rome City Town Hall
402 Kelly Street
Rome City, IN 46784

Meeting was called to order at 6:39pm. Pledge was said. Present, Gary Furlow, Cheryl Clifton and Nick Heffner. Also, present, Brenda Conley, Bill Eberhard, Leigh Pranger, Paul Hoffman, Conrad White, Jim Sheffield, Carl Grove, Common Wealth and Mrs. Oakley.

Budget Adoption meeting was called to order at 6:30pm. All members looked over the budget. Gary Furlow asked for a motion to approve Ordinance 2019-08. Cheryl Clifton made the motion to approve Ordinance 2019-08 for the 2020 Budget. Nick Heffner seconds the motion. 3 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Gary Furlow asked for a motion to close the budget adoption meeting at 6:35pm. Nick Heffner made the motion. Cheryl Clifton seconds the motion. 3 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Gary Furlow asked for a motion to wave reading the minutes from the last meeting. Cheryl Clifton made the motion to wave reading the minutes. Nick Heffner seconds the motion. 3 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

AMEND WAGE AND SALARY ORD.

Gary Furlow read ordinance 2019-09 amending the part time paid marshal wage to the high of \$21.30. Gary Furlow asked for a motion to approve. Cheryl Clifton made the motion to approve. Nick Heffner seconds the motion. 3 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE FOR CBD

Bill Eberhard stated he was not prepared with the ordinance prohibiting from selling of CBD in the Town of Rome City. Tabled until next town council meeting.

COMMON WEALTH

Common Wealth have been looking over everything at the wastewater plant and have been in contact with Conrad White. They would like time to put everything together then present it to the council. Gary Furlow stated he would like the greatest needs first. They will report back to the council later.

NEW BUSINESS:**ROAD CLOSURE**

Paul Hoffman is asking for permission to shut down Jefferson Street at Martin, Grove and Harriman on October 18, 2019 from 4:30pm until 7:00pm for the Rome City School Halloween programs. Gary Furlow asked for a motion. Nick Heffner made the motion to close the street at the time mentioned. Cheryl Clifton seconds the motion. 3 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

NOBLE COUNTY BUILDING INSPECTOR FEES FOR 2020

Leigh present the contract for the new building inspector fee for 2020 which will be \$30.00 per inspection instead if \$15.00. Leigh stated the Plan and BZA Commission are also raising the permit fees and she will present them to the town council when they are ready. Gary Furlow asked for a motion to sign the contract with the Noble County Building Inspector for 2020. Nick Heffner made the motion to sign the contract. Cheryl Clifton seconds the motion. 3 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

IT for the town

Brenda presented 2 quotes for IT service for the town. Gary Cox and Mid West. All members agreed to accept Gary Cox quote of \$3000.00 a year. Gary Furlow asked for a motion. Cheryl Clifton made the motion to accept the contract with Gary Cox. Nick Heffner seconds the motion. 3 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

END OF THE YEAR MEETING

Brenda asked when the council would like the end of the year meeting. All members agreed to have the wage and salary ordinance done at the Dec. 9, 2019 meeting and the end of the year be on Dec. 19, 2019 at 6:00pm. Nick Heffner made the motion for the end of the year meeting on Dec. 19, 2019 at 6:00pm, Cheryl Clifton seconds the motion. 3 ayes 0 nays. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 2019-02 REDUCE APPROPRIATIONS

Brenda presented the resolution to reduce. Gary Furlow asked why we must do this. Brenda stated every year the DLGF asked us to reduce what ever we are not going to be using in an appropriation to help with the next year budget. Gary Furlow read the resolutions and asked for a motion to sign. Nick Heffner made the motion to sign and approve Resolution 2019-02. Cheryl Clifton seconds the motion. 3 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Bill Eberhard stated the property at 611 Jackson St will be on the sheriff sale on Oct. 29, 2019 at 10:00am.

Mrs. Oakley owns a property at 425 Front Street and is asking to have the alley vacated. All members looked over the survey. Bill stated he will contact Mrs. Oakley after the town council goes over the subject.

Brenda presented the bank reconciliation for September. Signed by Gary Furlow

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

TOWN MANAGER (SEE ATTACHED)

Leigh stated we were awarded the Crossing Grant from INDOT for the Lions Drive project and wanted to know when the town would like to receive bids. Gary Furlow asked Leigh to have something ready for the December 9, 2019 meeting. Gary said the sooner the bid gets approved is better.

STREET AND WASTEWATER (SEE ATTACHED)

TOWN MARSHAL (SEE ATTACHED)

CLAIMS PRESENTED FOR PAYMENT:

TOWN FUNDS: \$239,636.01

SEWER OPERATING: \$47,707.37

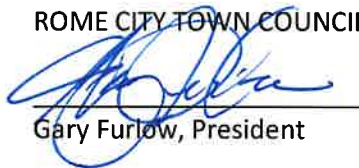
Gary Furlow asked for a motion to pay the claims. Nick Heffner made the motion to pay the claims. Cheryl Clifton seconds the motion. 3 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried

Brenda presented the town council with a form to possibly put on our website about signing up if someone wants to be on the agenda. Bill Eberhard stated some of his towns and cities do this. Bill stated if someone signs a form wanting to be on the agenda then the council would have to hear their concerns first before any of the other agenda items can be heard. Gary Furlow would like to put this on our town web site. Cheryl Clifton asked if there would be an extra charge to have this on the web site. Brenda stated she would let them all know if there was an additional charge.

Next town council meeting in November 4, 2019 at 6:30pm at the Rome City Town Hall, 402 Kelly Street, Rome City, IN at 6:30pm. This is moved up 1 week due to Veterans Day in on the second Monday of November.

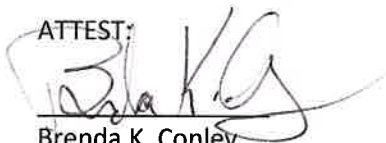
Gary Furlow asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:55pm. Cheryl Clifton made the motion to adjourn. Nick Heffner seconds the motion. 3 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

ROME CITY TOWN COUNCIL



Gary Furlow, President

ATTEST:



Brenda K. Conley
Clerk-Treasurer