

MINUTES

JUNE 12, 2017

ROME CITY TOWN COUNCIL PUBLIC MEETING

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

Carl Castle called the meeting to order at 6:32pm. All members, Carl Castle, Gary Furlow and Nick Heffner present.

Present, Mr. and Mrs. Don Bateman, Samantha Bateman, Chris Bateman, Mr. and Mrs. Mayfield, Kim Angell, Terry Williams, Carl Grove, Mr. Clifton, Paul Hoffman, Jim Sheffield, Leigh Pranger, Bill Eberhard and Brenda Conley.

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

Jim Sheffield presented Chris Bateman with a life savers award. This was for helping save an 8 year old boy who had a medical emergency on April 29, 2017 at the Kimmel ball park.

OLD BUSINESS

ORDINANCE 2017-05 Traffic Safety

Bill Eberhard read the ordinance. Mr. Clifton has property also side the alley and stated he did not want trucks going into his yard. Carl stated there is a 20 foot wide alley. Gary asked if Mr. Clifton has a survey of his property. Mr. Clifton stated he did not but knows about where his property lines are. Bill stated this ordinance will take effect 30 days after passing and if Mr. Clifton still sees that vehicles are damaging his property then he should be reporting it to the town council. This ordinance will make the alley a one way and hopefully will prevent the trucks from going into his property. Carl Castle asked for a motion. Gary Furlow made the motion to suspend the rules and approve Ordinance 2017-05 on the first reading. Nick Heffner seconds the motion. 3 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

WATERSHED AGREEMENT

Brenda stated all 3 industries have been paying there share of the agreement and they all have verbally agreed to help pay for the repair on the pipe from last year. We are waiting on the Industrial Development group to get back with us on whether or not they are willing to help pay for the repair also. Carl Castle asked for a motion to sign the watershed agreement. Gary Furlow made the motion to sign the agreement. Nick Heffner seconds the motion. 3 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

SKID LOADER

Leigh presented the town council with 2 quotes for a skid loader and attachments. Leigh stated we can sell the street sweeper and tractor but we will also need a new trailer to haul the loader. The trailer cost would be \$5600.00. Bobcat from Truelove Brothers \$31,648.24, John Deere, LaGrange, \$31,888.21. The

attachments and cost were included in the material Leigh presented to the council. All council members discussed the loader. There were pros and cons from the members and the people in attendance. Carl Castle asked for a motion to table until more info can be reviewed. Nick Heffner made the motion to table. Gary Furlow seconds the motion. 3 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

APPROVE CF-1 FOR SYLVAN FARMS, LLC

Brenda stated a conference call was done on May 18, 2017 with council for immediate approval of the CF-1 for Sylvan Farms, LLC. The conference call was needed due to the assessor of Noble County told Sylvan Farms, LLC owner Nate Schermerhorn that he was not approved for the abatement back in December 2016 then he received a call on May 17, 2017 asking why he didn't have a CF-1 form approved by the town because it was approve. Mr. Schermerhorn never received anything in the mail or phone call stating it was approve. Bill Eberhard stated the town council now has to approve at this public meeting. Carl Castle asked for a motion. Gary Furlow made the motion to approve the CF-1 form for Sylvan Farms, LLC. Nick Heffner seconds the motion. 3 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

BUDGET HEARINGS

Brenda asked the council for approval to have the budget hearing on September 11, 2017 at 5:45pm and the budget adoption on October 9, 2017; these are all right before the regular town council meetings. All members agreed that those dates are approved.

ADDRESS CHANGE FOR OLD PEPSI PLANT

Leigh stated the old Pepsi plant is being divided and the new address for the North building will be 1110 Kelly St and the South building will be 1112 Kelly St. These addresses have been approved by the BZA. Carl Castle asked for a motion to approve the addresses. Nick Heffner made the motion to approve and Gary Furlow seconds the motion. 3 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

PARADE AND BLOCK PARTY

Brenda stated that Advance Rome City wants to have permission to block state road 9 and Front Street on Aug. 12, 2017 starting at 4:30pm for the annual parade. Also they would like to have a block party at the town hall right after the parade that will last about an hour. They are asking the town to block off Jackson Street from State Road 9 to Weston and the alley directly behind the town hall for the block party. Carl Castle asked for a motion. Gary Furlow made the motion to approve the road blockage on August 12, 2017. Nick Heffner seconds the motion. 3 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

TOURS MOTHER MARY OF MERCY

Brenda stated Mother Mary of Mercy are now doing tours every 3rh Saturday starting at noon.

NEW POLICE PROGRAM

Jim Sheffield presented the town council with a brochure of a new program that the Noble County Sheriff is getting. After explaining the program Jim stated it will cost the town about \$10,196.00 plus ~~\$100.00~~ ^{1000.00} to \$1200.00 annual. Carl Castle if this cost could be paid out of the Public Safety fund, Brenda stated yes. Jim will get back with the town council at a later date to discuss what he found out.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

TOWN MANAGER, STREET AND WASTEWATER (SEE ATTACHED)

Leigh stated API will start the Eastgate Station on July 5, 2017.

Leigh stated Mediacom is putting in the fiber optic on Gale Street and the employees are having a hard time finding our lateral lines of sewer. Leigh received a price from a company for them to use a camera to find the lines for the cost of \$9600.00 then she contacted R&R Visual they charge \$80.00 per foot. Leigh stated we can buy our own for a cost of \$2600.00. Carl asked Bill what would happen if Mediacom hit our line. Bill stated Mediacom would have to pay for the repair. Gary stated the cost to buy one would be better. Leigh stated we have never had a need for one in the past. No decisions were made.

Leigh stated the town hall parking lot and Front Street needs lined and cracks sealed. The cost from Asphalt Care, who we have used in the past, was a total of \$2280.00 for the town hall parking lot and \$675.00 for Front Street. Leigh stated she is having a park board meeting next week to discuss the parks that need to be lined. Carl Castle asked for a motion. Gary Furlow made the motion to accept Asphalt Care for the town hall and Front Street. Also Gary wants Leigh to contact them and make a date when this will be done. Nick Heffner seconds the motion. 3 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Leigh stated Brenda and her attended the Crossing Grant that INDOT is doing and the deadline is July 14, 2017. It is a 25% town funds and 75% INDOT grant. Town council asked Brenda what a dollar amount might be for the towns share. Brenda wild guess is \$100,000.00. Leigh stated Lions drive and Lakeside Drive are the worse right now. She will inform the council by e-mail about the roads. Carl Castle asked for a motion to have Leigh get the estimate for the roads on Lions and Lakeside and get started with the grant. Gary Furlow made the motion. Nick Heffner seconds the motion. 3 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

TOWN MARSHAL (SEE ATTACHED)

Jim Sheffield stated he would like to get the narcan in each police vehicle to protect the officers and others. Jim will check with our insurance company to make sure there are no problems.

Paul Hoffman stated he would like in the Code Book 90.05 removed due to the town does not tow vehicle. Bill Eberhard will redo the ordinance and present it to the town council at a later date.

Carl Castle asked if there were any other information for the town council. Terry Williams and Kim Angell stated they own the coin laundry in town and did not know that the town was helping West Lake area property owners with supplying a washer and dryer. Brenda and Leigh stated, what was told to us from Home Land Security was it was a portable shower only. We did not know there was a washer and dryer in it until it arrived. The town did not order this trailer all the town did was help with the water, electrical and sewer for this trailer. Terry would like to be informed in the future so they could possibly help with the laundry situation.

CLAIMS PRESENTED FOR PAYMENT:

TOWN FUNDS: \$123,598.74

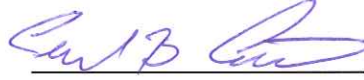
SEWER OPERATING: \$64,220.52

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

Carl Castle stated the next town council meeting is July 10, 2017 at 6:30pm, Rome City Town Hall, 402 Kelly Street, Rome City, IN

Carl Castle asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:55pm. Nick Heffner made the motion to adjourn. Gary Furlow seconds the motion. 3 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

ROME CITY TOWN COUNCIL



Carl Castle, President

ATTEST

Brenda K. Conley
Clerk-Treasurer