

MINUTES

MAY 13, 2019

PUBLIC MEETING

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

Gary Furlow called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. All members, Gary Furlow, Nick Heffner and Cheryl Clifton present. Also present, Brenda Conley, Leigh Pranger, Jim Sheffield, Paul Hoffman, Conrad White, Carl Grove, Ben Castle, Bill Eberhard and Dave White.

Pledge was said.

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

OLD BUSINESS:

TOWN HEALTH INSURANCE

Gary Furlow stated the town health insurance comes due June 1, 2019. All members looked over the quotes from United Health Care \$7547.09, PHP 7498.24, Anthem \$8200.00. Anthem and PHP do not include the disability, vision and life insurance and United Health Care does include these in the quote. Brenda stated Best Life, which is the dental insurance, is not raising the price this year. All members discussed the options. Gary Furlow asked for a motion to accept United Health Care and Best Life. Nick Heffner made the motion to accept United Health Care and Best Life. Cheryl Clifton seconds the motion. 3 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

TOWN HALL FLOORING

Brenda Conley presented the 3 quotes for the new flooring at the town hall. Edwards Flooring was \$9963.18, Select Flooring \$14,124.78 and DeMuyt Flooring declined to do a quote because they buy their material for Edwards Flooring. All members looked over the quotes. Gary Furlow asked for a motion to accept Edwards Flooring. Cheryl Clifton made the motion to accept Edwards Flooring for \$9963.18. Nick Heffner seconds the motion. 3 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

CF-1'S

Brenda presented the CF-1's for Stagg's. There were 2 abatements for Real Estate Improvements. Gary Furlow asked for a motion to accept both CF-1's abatements for Staggs. Cheryl Clifton made the motion to accept the abatements for Staggs. Nick Heffner seconds the motion. 3 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Brenda presented Momentums abatement for Real Estate Improvement and Personal Property. Gary Furlow asked for a motion to accept the abatements. Nick Heffner made the motion to accept the Personal and Real Estate abatements for Momentum. Cheryl Clifton seconds the motion. 3 ayes, 0 nays.

Brenda presented the abatement for Precision Medical Technologies, Inc. for personal property. Gary Furlow asked for a motion the accept the abatement. Nick Heffner made the motion to accept the abatement for Personal Property for Momentum. Cheryl Clifton seconds the motion. 3 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Sylvan Farms abatement needs to be started from the beginning. Ben Castle found where the abatement was not approved because it was sent in late, but Brenda Conley presented the abatement that was filed on April 26, 2018. Bill Eberhard stated he has talked with Nate Schermerhorn who is the owner of Sylvan Farms and he stated he did not want to do the Personal Property abatement he just want the Real Estate Improvement part done correctly. Bill stated everything was done correctly before it was just the Assessor that denied the abatement and did not tell us. Bill stated he wanted to get the exact amounts on the paper, so he will meet with Nate. Also, Bill wants to advertise for the new abatement, also Bill will get with Tony Garrison, who is working with the assessor on abatements. Bill asked the town council to table this until the June 10, 2019 meeting. Gary Furlow asked for a motion to table this until the June meeting. Nick Heffner made the motion to table. Cheryl Clifton seconds the motion. 3 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Appoint new Park Board members

Leigh Pranger stated Herman Conley and Dina Holliday have resigned from the park board. Tye Bloomfield and Bridgett Coe would like to take their place. Leigh asked for an approval. Gary Furlow asked for a motion. Cheryl Clifton made the motion to approve Tye Bloomfield and Bridgett Coe to the park board. Nick Heffner seconds the motion. 3 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

EVERCLEAR for Weed Treatment

Leigh Pranger presented a proposal from Everclear for the causeway on Sylvan Avenue for \$250.00, Lakeside Park, rip rap area, \$250.00. Leigh stated they will not be spraying the sewer ponds. Gary Furlow asked for a motion. Nick Heffner made the motion to have Everclear spray the causeway on Sylvan Avenue and Lakeside Park. Cheryl Clifton seconds the motion. 3 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

REMC Appointment

REMC is asking for a representative from Rome City for the annual meeting on June 1, 2019. Cheryl Clifton offered to take the position. Gary Furlow asked for a motion to approve Cheryl Clifton. Nick Heffner made the motion. 2 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Ordinance 2019-05 Amending the Unified Development ordinance

Leigh Pranger presented ordinance 2019-05 amending the unified development ordinance. Leigh stated the Rome City Plan Commission has already signed and approved the ordinance. Gary Furlow asked for a motion to approve ordinance 2019-05. Nick Heffner made the motion to approve the ordinance. Cheryl Clifton seconds the motion. 3 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Keystone Programs

Brenda Conley presented the town council with the Keystone Maintenance agreement for fund, payroll, assets and sewer billing. It went up 5% more. Gary Furlow asked for a motion to approve the agreement with Keystone. Nick Heffner made the motion to approve the agreement with Keystone. Cheryl Clifton seconds the motion. 3 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Parade Entry

Brenda presented the town with the parade entry. The parade is Aug. 10, 2019 at 2:00pm. All members agreed to have something in the parade from the town. Bill Eberhard stated he would also like to have something in the parade. All members agreed to being present in the parade.

Redevelopment meeting

Brenda presented the town council president and the town attorney with the fiscal info for the redevelopment committee. Brenda stated there is a meeting on June 4, 2019 at 7:30am.

Advance Rome City

No one was present for Advanced Rome City. Gary Furlow stated the Spring Fling went very well. This is a big access for the town's revitalization.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

Town Manager (see attached) Leigh stated the survey for the easement on Bernice is completed. She will now contact someone about boring, so we can reduce the water on the road. She will keep the town council informed.

Street and Wastewater (see attached) Gary Furlow asked Conrad White about the recycle area. Conrad stated people are abusing the area and putting construction material with nails and they have had to repair the tires 2 times. Conrad has approaches a few on them when he can and informed them they cannot use the recycle area for construction material. Nick asked about putting foam in the tires. Gary asked about a chipper at the area. Conrad stated he will check the cost of both and report back to the town council. Cheryl asked about a camera. Conrad said he could check on that also. Conrad will report back to the town council.

Town Marshal (see attached)

Brenda presented the town council the bank reconciliation to be signed.

CLAIMS PRESENTED FOR PAYMENT:

TOWN FUNDS: \$114,380.23

SEWER OPERATING: \$41,714.36

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

Bill Eberhard stated he is getting very close with an agreement with the Miller property on Lakeside Drive. He will report back to the town council.

Dave White asked about the wall on the seawall at Williams property. Leigh stated they wanted to file a variance and that will not be heard until the June BZA, Plan meeting.

Next town council meeting is June 10, 2019 at 6:30pm at the Rome City Town Hall, 402 Kelly Street, Rome City, IN.

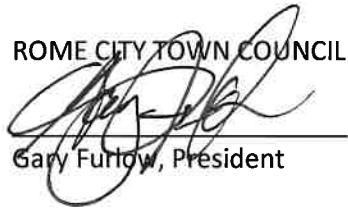
Gary Furlow asked for a motion to adjourn at 7:55pm. Nick Heffner made the motion to adjourn. Cheryl Clifton seconds the motion. 3 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

ATTEST:



Brenda K. Conley
Clerk-Treasurer

ROME CITY TOWN COUNCIL



Gary Furlow, President