## **Town of Reynolds**

## **Town Council Meeting**

# Wednesday, April 10, 2024

#### 6:30PM

Board Members present: Allison Loy, Megan Copas, Sid Holderly, Jerry Robertson, & Veronica Favela.

Other community members present: Clerk Treasurer, Pam Cochran, Deputy Clerk Treasurer, Carol Hendress, Town Superintendent, Bob Hall, Town Marshal, Wayne Winkler, Town Attorney, Cliff Robinson, Bill Brooks, Joe Smith, M & M Jim VanVoorst.

President, Allison Loy called the Public Hearing to order, asked everyone to silence their phones and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Public Hearing was to approve the amended 2024 Salary Ordinance for the increased hourly wage for the Deputy Clerk/Utility Clerk by \$ .50 cents per hour for the increased job responsibilities given to her.

A motion was made to approve the amended 2024 Salary Ordinance. A second to the motion was made and the motion carried. A motion was made to make this increase retroactive to March 14, 2024. A second to the motion was made and the motion carried. The new hourly rate is \$19.05 per hour.

With nothing further, a motion to adjourn the Public Hearing was made. A second to the motion was made and the motion carried.

President, Allison Loy called the regular Council meeting to order.

Approval of Agenda. A motion was made to accept the agenda as presented. A second to the motion was made and the motion carried.

Approval of March minutes. A motion was made to approve as presented, a second to the motion was made and the motion carried.

Approval of March financials: A motion to approve March financials was made. A second to the motion was made and the motion carried.

Public Comment: None at this time.

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Old Business: Vehicle replacement of the town's utility truck was back on the table from February and March meetings. Councilman Holderly presented the council a spreadsheet of locations in which he had requested quotes and what he had received back. After discussion, a motion was made to accept the offer from Mann Chevrolet in Delphi, IN. A second to the motion was made and the motion carried. A motion was made for Bob and Pam to finalize paperwork and obtain financing with the U.S. Bancorp Government Leasing & Finance, Inc (Affiliate of the Indiana Bond Bank) and move forward with the purchase. A second to the motion was made and the motion carried.

New Business: Mike Clerget with the White County Amateur Radio Society was in attendance and asked permission from the council to place another antenna on top of the town's water tower. A motion was made to allow with the written waiver signed by both parties that WCARS would be held liable of any incidents and no fees charged to the town. A second to the motion was made and the motion carried.

Pam made the council aware that the Apex Trash fees would increase again in July for the third year of the contract by 5% and that we should start thinking of putting bid packets together for 2025.

Carol & Pam voiced concerns with the postal service and the residents getting their utility bills in a timely manner. They will continue to monitor.

Pam asked if anyone else wanted to review the ordinances with American Legal Publishing Codifications.

The Employee Handbook was discussed. The five sick days has never been updated in the handbook. Pam agreed that she would make the update and keep it current.

### **Department Head Reports:**

Town Superintendent, Bob Hall reported that the paving grant project will begin late May. Global Harvest expansion of approximately \$450,000 is being paid for by White County. Cliff will put together a agreement between them and the town for domestic use and maintenance only. A resident has asked to be able to tie into the town tile drainage while construction is going on to get rid of water standing on his property. A motion was made to have Cliff put together an agreement between private and public to tie into the tile. A second to the motion was made and the motion carried. A motion was made for Bob to continue seeking grant funding. A second to the motion was made and the motion carried.

Town Attorney, Cliff Robinson will work on preparing the documents mentioned at the meeting tonight.

Town Engineer, Ken Smith was absent.

Town Marshal, Wayne Winkler gave a verbal report. He stated that he is working on ordinance violations. His new vehicle is being picked up tomorrow, April 11<sup>th</sup>.

Clerk Treasurer, Pam Cochran reported that the State Board of Accounts audit charges for the years 1/1/2020 – 12/31/2022 were as follows: General Fund = \$17,169.00; Water Fund = \$5969.33; and Wastewater Fund = \$7453.60 for a grand total of \$30,591.93

Sidney E Holderly, Member

Utility Clerk, Carol Hendress reported there were 17 disconnect notices sent out with three shut off and two have been turned back on.

Jerry Robertson, Steering Committee had nothing to report.

Carol Hendress, Economic Development Board had nothing more to report.

Second Public comments: None at this time.

Hearing nothing further, a motion to adjourn was made with a second to the motion and the motion carried.

Respectfully submitted

Allison L Loy, President

Veronica Favela, Member

Jereld W Robertson, Member

Attest: Pamela S Cochran, Clerk Treasurer

Board Approved: April 23, 2024 at Special Meeting