

**Town of Reynolds**  
**Town Council Meeting**  
**Wednesday, June 12, 2024**

**6:30PM**

Board Members present: Sid Holderly, Jerry Robertson, & Veronica Favela.

Other community members present: Clerk Treasurer, Pam Cochran, Deputy Clerk Treasurer, Carol Hendress, Town Superintendent, Bob Hall, Town Engineer, Ken Smith, Pete Tetzloff, Kathy Dedaker Jones, Steve Jones and Jiovanny Flores.

Public Hearing called to order by Council President, Sid Holderly. Everyone was asked to silence their phones and Sid led us with the pledge of allegiance.

Approval of Public Hearing Agenda – A motion was made to accept the agenda as presented. A second to the motion was made that the motion carried.

A second reading of the 2024 Amended Salary Ordinance with the Marshal going from part time to full time and a fifty cent per hour increase in the Deputy Clerk/Utility Clerk pay for increased job responsibilities. A motion was made to accept the amended ordinance as presented. A second to the motion was made and the motion carried and passed.

A motion to adjourn the Public Hearing was made with a second to the motion and the motion carried.

The regular Town Council meeting was called to order by President Sid Holderly. A motion to accept the regular council agenda was made with the exception of moving Kathy Dedaker Jones to the top of new business and Ken Smith to the top of Department heads. A second to the motion was made and the motion carried.

Approval of the May 2024 minutes – A motion to accept the May 2024 meeting minutes as presented was made. A second to the motion was made and the motion carried.

Approval of May financials – A motion to approve the May financials as presented was made. A second to the motion was made and the motion carried.

Public comments: None at this time.

Old Business – None at this time.

New Business –

Kathy Dedaker Jones asked the council to pay for her plumbing bill and waive the outstanding balance of \$297.87 for 204 B N Boone St. The last tenant in 204 B was Jimmy Napier and he notified the Clerks office on March 4, 2024 that he had moved. Utility Clerk, Carol Hendress missed a step of putting the account back in landlord, Kathy Dedaker's name. Carol notified the landlord on May 20<sup>th</sup> and asked who had moved into 204 B and was told that it had been empty for a couple months and there should not be any water consumption. The town had JDP come put their computer on the meter on May 22<sup>nd</sup> and it showed water running through the meter several times a day. Dedaker called her plumber in and while he was looking for issues in the duplexes, he shut the meter off to 204 B and it actually shut off the water to 204 A. Therefore, the meter # for 204 B was in the software program as 204 A and the meter # for 204 A was in the system as 204 B. The meter #'s and radio numbers were updated in the system and the correct readings for each of the duplexes were correct on the May 30<sup>th</sup> reading. However, because Dedaker's plumber is the one that discovered it and she didn't receive the bills in a timely manner, she felt the town should have to take care of those expenses. A motion was made for the town to pay for ½ of the plumber bill and ½ of the outstanding balance be adjusted and removed. A second to the motion was made and the motion carried.

A reading of the Establishment of Uniform Internal Control Standards for IN Political Subdivisions in Accordance with IC § 5-11-1-27 was read with a motion to accept. A second to the motion was made and the motion carried. A motion was made to adopt the ordinance. A second to the motion was made and the motion carried.

There seems to be a lack of communication from the Honey Creek Volunteer Fire Department when they are using water to fill swimming pools. The residents are to pay .025 cents per gallon of water used to fill their swimming pools. The fire department is to notify the Clerk Treasurer's office and then the Clerks office will invoice and bill the residents for the water used. The notification from the fire department is not being done. It was recommended to the town council that we no longer allow water usage to fill swimming pools and that if they are caught, this could be considered water theft. A motion was made to send a certified letter prepared by town attorney, Clifford Robinson explaining that the fire department can no longer fill swimming pools and the consequences if they are found doing so. A second to the

motion was made and the motion carried. Bob will get with Cliff and help get the letter prepared. All agreed that a stiff fine of maybe \$500 would get their attention.

At this time, the 30-day time frame for the party Chairmans to fill the two vacancies of the town council is past. The current council agreed to have the Clerks office advertise in the News & Review, Facebook and website for any interested resident to submit a letter of interest to the council on or before Wednesday, July 10<sup>th</sup>.

Bob Hall, Town Superintendent – The US 24 project is moving along and will be drivable by fair week. He will be moving to the new office on Friday, June 14<sup>th</sup> and due to conflict with the school library for the July meeting, he asked that the meeting be at the new building for community to see.

Clifford Robinson, Town Attorney – not in attendance

Ken Smith, Town Engineer – July 1<sup>st</sup> is the summer deadline for paving grants and another one in the fall. January 1, wastewater plant funds, state revolving funds for water filter plant will be available.

Wayne Winkler, Marshal – not in attendance but sent a written report and addressed a complaint that he had been made aware of. 67 traffic stops; 13 citations issued; 7 arrests made for 1- reckless driving; 2 -possession of marijuana; 2 -operator never licensed; 1 -meth felony warrant; and 1 – driving while suspended prior.

Pam Cochran, Town Clerk – Pam notified the council that she is placing a sewer lien on the property at 320 N Main St for non- payment of utility bill. Utility has been shut off since February 5, 2024. Bob also mowed the property and she sent a bill for \$125. James Stanley and Dave Johns had a argument with police called due to the misunderstanding of the alley to the Johns property. Pam and Carol will be at a mandatory Clerks Conference June 23<sup>rd</sup> – June 27<sup>th</sup> in South Bend. The office will be closed that week. Residents will be notified.

Carol Hendress – Deputy Clerk/Utility Clerk – 11 disconnect notices sent out, two shut off and one turned back on. One is still off as of today.

Bob Hall, KIRPC – nothing to report

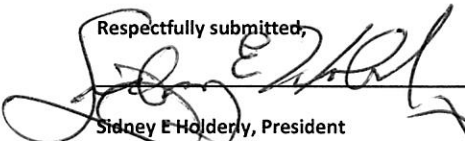
Jerry Robertson, Steering Committee – met on June 7<sup>th</sup> and discussed the replacement of three hydrants. What can be done or how can it be worded to charge a fee for new construction, extension of services, etc for the cost of placing meter, lines, etc. Will talk with Cliff for advice.

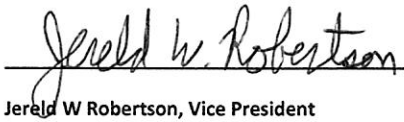
Carol Hendress, Economic Development – Carol informed the council that Magnitation is going up on Sherrif Sale next Thursday, June 20<sup>th</sup>.

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,

  
Sidney E Holderly, President

  
Jereld W Robertson, Vice President

  
Veronica Favela, Member

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Attest: Pamela S Cochran, Clerk Treasurer  
Board Approved: July 10, 2024 at regular council meeting