

TOWN OF ADVANCE

MEETING MINUTES

LOCATION: TOWN HALL

February 15, 2022

7:00 PM

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Council Members: Melody Fry, Dale Thompson, Amanda Lyles and Jim Caldwell

Clerk Treasurer – Shari Johnson

Marshal: Brad Thomas

Attendees: Council Members: President Fry, Jim Caldwell, Amanda Lyles and Dale Thompson

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Others in attendance: JR Shelton, Carlos Trincado, Deputy Hitch, Marshall Thomas, Jeff Hopper, Keith Cromwell, David Turner, Matt Bowen, Dan Fry and David Gregory

President Fry called to order the Council Meeting at 19:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Rules of Order

Clerk-Treasurer Johnson swore in Reserve, Carlos Trincado.

Ladd Engineering Report– Gary Ladd:

Mr. Ladd reported for January that the AMP for the WWTP was completed and CPA, Steve Brock still needed to complete the financial portion of the AMP.

ADA/Title IV was completed on 01-19-2022.

Generator quotes were mailed on 01-28-2022.

WWTP second expansion of another oxidation ditch, also emailed on 01-19-2022 and work to install a 12" water main to wells could be included for the May 1, submittal. IFA needs a PER to be considered.

Councilman Caldwell made a motion for Ladd Engineering to complete the PER for the WWTP and Water Utility for \$10,000.00. Councilman Thompson seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

Councilwoman Lyles made a motion to approve the Meeting Minutes from January 11, 2022. Councilman Thompson seconded. All in favor, motion passed.

Councilman Thompson made a motion to approve claims for February 15, 2021, in the amount of \$112,879.60. Councilman Caldwell seconded. All in favor, motion passed.

Park – Park Board President, Matt Bowen:

Mr. Bowen advised the board is working on a 5 year plan. The Park features that Mr. Bowen shared on a power point included: a dog park area, playground with ADA equipment, tennis courts, pickle ball, and a new running path (ADA compliant). The Community Center power point was presented with the building hosting many amenities such as a kitchen, exercise room, meeting rooms, event room and an elevated patio. Mr. Bowen expressed he would like the facility to also serve as a shelter withstanding an F4 tornado.

Funds being considered to pursue: OCRA, FEMA and DNR.

Councilwoman made a motion for \$2500.00 to be spent with Charitable Allies to re-open the Park's 501C3 status. Councilman Caldwell seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

Councilman Caldwell made a motion to move forward with pursuing OCRA funding. Councilwoman Lyles seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

CT Johnson recommended forming a Jr. Park Board and had spoken with the Mayor of Sullivan, Indiana, and how this initiative worked for their parks system. When kids have ownership in something, they want to have input and take care of what they work for. The Mayor stated he would be happy to arrange a Zoom meeting to discuss.

UMAC – President Fry read report:

For the month of January, gallons were pumped were 890,000 and total sold were 586,940 leaving a difference of 303,060 or 34%. There are issues with the motor on the small blower at the WWTP is going bad. UMAC is getting pricing and will install themselves. There was a sizeable leak in January which attributes to some of the water loss.

Hopper Excavating – Keith Cromwell read report:

Work completed in January was disconnects, and reconnects, septic pumping, Jet service on baffle 306 E. Cherry, water leak repair at 203 E. Wall St. and snow plowing.

Future work needs to be done at various locations, but the weather needs to improve.

IMPA – President Fry read report:

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IMPA Commissioner’s Report – Councilman Caldwell:

A new CEO of IMPA will be announced Friday February 25th. Alternative power solutions still being reviewed.

Fire – Keith Cromwell read report:

For the month of January, the fire department had 8 EMS, 3 Fire, 3 MVA, Cancelled 11 and 1 Public Assist.

Police – Marshall Brad Thomas:

For the month of January there were 7 runs. Reserves are working on training hours. Outreach with Reserve Bewley is going well and expansion of work to schools is being reviewed.

Lights need to be installed in police vehicles. Approximate quote of \$2500.00 was presented.

Councilwoman Lyles made a motion to approve \$2500.00 for police car lights. Councilman Caldwell seconded. All in favor, motion passed.

CT Johnson stated she would need an estimate of work.

Clerk-Treasurer – Shari Johnson:

No fund or appropriation report were presented due to working on year end with Keystone, and transfers were tabled.

Councilman Thompson made a motion to approve CT adjustments for the month of February 2022, in the amount of \$-1295.68. Councilwoman Lyles seconded. President Fry voted aye. Councilman Caldwell abstained from approving the fire department adjustment; motion passed.

Councilman Caldwell made a motion to accept appeal for Sharon Hitch, (TRECS). Councilman Caldwell seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

Councilman Thompson made a motion that Clerk-Treasurer, Shari Johnson, as the authorized officer for TCM Credit Cards for the Town. Councilman Caldwell seconded. All in favor, motion passed.

Councilwoman Lyles made a motion to approve CT's Request to Travel with an estimated total of \$999.00 for ILMCT Training. Councilman Thompson seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

CT Johnson opened discussion regarding vehicle inspections for the police department to generate funds. The Council rejected re-establishing this fund.

Old Business:

Quotes for the garage doors on the Town building were reviewed; Poppellwell quote of \$4825.00, Superior quote of \$5873.00 and Thomas quote of \$4361.00. Councilman Thompson made a motion to accept the Poppellwell quote of \$4825.00 as he was a locate business. Councilman Caldwell seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

New Business:

Councilman Caldwell made a motion to approve the EDC Agreement renewal for \$1000.00. Councilman Thompson seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

The Bucy Construction quote was presented. Councilman Thompson requested a new quote for the police door in the bay area of garage with a commercial door and to be requoted.

Councilman Caldwell made a motion to approve the Bucy Construction quote of \$4035.00 to complete work at the Town Hall and Post Office. Councilman Thompson seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

President Fry read ADA Resolution 2022-02.

Councilman Caldwell made a motion to suspend the rules and consider Resolution 2022-02 on its first reading. Councilman Thompson seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

Councilman Caldwell made a motion to approve Resolution 2022-02. Councilman Thompson seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

Councilman Thompson made a motion to ratify President Fry to signing the INDOT CCMG commitment letter of \$32,792.50 for our 25% local match. Councilman Caldwell seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

Billing Disputes:

David Turner requested a water/sewer credit of \$284.12. Councilman Caldwell made a motion to approve the water/sewer credit in the amount of \$284.12. Councilman Thompson seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

Request to Speak: (no card submitted)

Allen Galloway from Triad and Associates attended the meeting and solicited his company's services.

Councilman Caldwell made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilman Thompson seconded. All were in favor, motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 20:20.

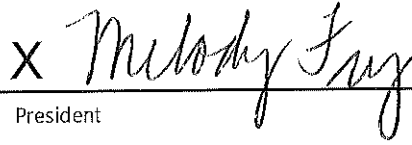
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Clerk Treasurer



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President



The next Council meeting is scheduled for March 8, at (19:00) 7:00 p.m. at the James L. Caldwell Fire Department, 106 E. Wall St., Advance, IN. (if the county returns in an orange status, the TC Meeting will be held by Zoom and Council will meet at 112 N. Main Street.