

# ***Town of Roann***

## ***Meeting Minutes***

9 February 2016

### **I. Call to order**

**James Pell** called to order the regular meeting of the **Town of Roann** at **7:00 p.m.** on the **9th day of February**, in **Roann Town Hall**.

### **II. Roll call**

The following persons were present: James Pell, Richard Morris, Susan Floor, Robert "M" Ferguson Jr., Bruce Shaw, Kristina Lynn and 5 citizens.

### **III. Approval of minutes from last meeting**

The Town Council read the minutes from the last meeting, the minutes were approved as read.

#### **Open issues**

- a) Robert "M" Ferguson Jr. reported having a productive meeting with Barry Eppley and Bill Konyha Saturday, February 6, 2016. In regards to the school, Bill Konyha thought there should be money available through Office of Community and Rural Affairs. Robert "M" Ferguson Jr. has a call into Ashlee Fiandaca, the Liaison for OCRA in regards to money for demolition. Robert "M" Ferguson Jr. stated it has never been put out to bid until things are finished with lawyers. Kristina Lynn stated Wabash County has to go through the demolition. Robert "M" Ferguson Jr. will contact Kristina Lynn directly on what is found out from OCRA to keep this project moving forward.
- b) Kristina Lynn talked to Sherriff Land in regards to changing Steve Hicks title to Town Marshall and the use of body armor. Sherriff Land had no issue of changing Steve Hicks to Town Marshall or Sherriff Department body armor. Although Sherriff Land did request to make sure it went along with the State Law Enforcement Board. Kristina thought Steve was to check into this. Robert "M" Ferguson Jr. did follow up on if there had been a previous Town Marshall and did not find an ordinance, however, he did find in the Salary Ordinance there was a paid position of Town Marshall and then went to Night Watchman. Kristina Lynn requested if we go forward with this Town Marshall, we should create a new town Ordinance. Susan Floor suggested we get clarification on insurance on what is covered if an accident should happen or killed in line of duty. Kristina Lynn stated the Night Watchman has no authority for arrests and must go through the county, where as the Town Marshall has more authority to enforce ordinances, write tickets, and assess fines. Kristina Lynn stated the difference in insurance would be \$618.00 per year for one full time officer which is a \$3 million liability. The Town Council tabled the matter.
- c) Bruce Shaw reported he has a meeting with two (2) engineers or firms this week to add to the Engineering Resources, Inc. Firm from last month meeting.

He reported the bid from Engineering Resources was \$34,000.00 for water main and chlorination. Bruce also reported the Emergency permit came through but needs to be updated every 30 days. Bruce Shaw requested a special meeting before the next town council meeting to hire an engineering firm. Robert "M" Ferguson Jr. stated he needs 48 hours for the public notice. Rick Morris suggested to get date set for bids to proceed with the engineering project. Bruce Shaw will follow up with dates and Robert "M" Ferguson Jr. will follow up with public notice. The Town Council tabled the matter.

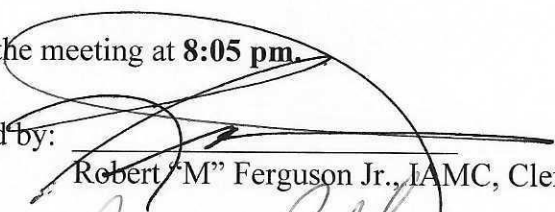
#### **New Business**

- a) Kristina Lynn reported Scott Siders from Lagro has agreed to help us with chlorination. Scott Siders is a WT2 water operator and his signature is on the line and will come two (2) hours a day, five (5) days a week, @ \$ 20.00 per hour plus mileage at the Federal rate for as long as we need him until we obtain our WT2 operator license. Town of Lagro has approved Scott Siders to come to the Town of Roann. Kristina Lynn also stated the agreement with Scott Siders is an employment agreement and suggests to modify to independent contractor and add protection for our town. Kristina Lynn will provide the modified agreement for Scott Siders by next meeting.
- b) Robert "M" Ferguson Jr. asked Cook's Carpet Care for a quote for carpets to be cleaned at a total amount of \$940.69. Susan Floor requested one more quote. Robert "M" Ferguson Jr. will follow up with second quote. The Town Council tabled the matter.
- c) Jerry Mills brought to attention the brick on the back of Town Hall building. Susan Floor suggested to contact a brick masonry for quotes.
- d) Bruce Shaw and Justin Vigar will be attending the Alliance Seminar in French Lick March 16 and 17, 2016. Susan Floor made a motion for Bruce and Justin to attend the Seminar in accordance with travel, meals and expenses that go with the attending of the seminar. Rick Morris seconded the motion and the Town Council Voted in favor 3-0.

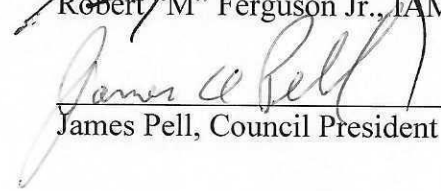
#### **IV. Adjournment**

James Pell adjourned the meeting at **8:05 pm.**

Minutes respectfully submitted by:

  
Robert "M" Ferguson Jr., IAMC, Clerk/Treasurer

Minutes approved by:

  
James Pell, Council President