

# **Town of Roann**

## **Meeting Minutes**

**June 18, 2019**

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

**Richard Morris** called to order the regular meeting for the **Town of Roann** at **7:00 p.m.** on the **18th day of June, 2019**, in **Roann Town Hall**.

### **II. Roll call**

The following persons were present: Richard Morris, Jerry Nelson, James Pell, Bruce Shaw, Kristina Lynn, Tony Janeway, Steve Hicks, Robert "M" Ferguson Jr., and present are 12 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) Kristina Lynn states she reviewed the purposed Resolution. Robert "M" Ferguson Jr. advised the Resolution has been approved by OCRA. Jerry Nelson made a motion to approve Resolution 1-2019 changing Old Roann School property from "Green Space" to "Park and Leisure." James Pell seconded and the Town Council voted in favor 3-0.
- b) Dave Kieser from (Kieser Consulting Engineer) will be working on data analysis for Parking and Traffic options evaluating from East Allen Street to Adams Street. Mr. Kieser will formulate the plan, considering the downtown businesses and bring to the Town Council in the next 60 days.
- c) Citizen Donald Collins advised he is the new owner of 340 E Adams Street. Mr. Collins stated he is planning on razing the house, adding a shed and leaving the property as empty lot.
- d) Robert "M" Ferguson Jr. advised Wabash County Attorney Larry Thrush has sent a letter in regards to the property at 410 East Adams Street advising Mr. Cornett has until June 19, 2019 for cleanup. If Mr. Cornett is not in compliance with the Wabash County Zoning Ordinance as of June 19, 2019, Mr. Thrush will file suit against Mr. Cornett.
- e) Bruce Shaw advised he is trying to contact Gary Ladd on the Storm Water Drainage Problems. The Town Council tabled until the next Council Meeting.

#### **New Business**

- a) Robert "M" Ferguson Jr. stated he has received two quotes for the crack seal. The first quote from a company out of Indianapolis for \$7,500.00. The second quote is Super Seal from Warsaw quoted \$3,706.00. James Pell made a motion to approve

Super Seal in the amount of \$3,706.00 for crack seal. Jerry Nelson seconded and Town Council voted in favor 3-0.

- b) Robert "M" Ferguson Jr. stated the Fire Contract for 2020 has a \$100.00 increase for \$13,500. James Pell made a motion to approve the Fire Contract 2020 for \$13,500. Jerry Nelson seconded and the Town Council voted in favor 3-0.
- c) Kristina Lynn advised that legislature has made changes to state laws effective July 1, 2019 and has adopted a statute that prohibits a town or city from adopting or continuing and effecting the ordinance or policy, prohibiting of bee keeping on a property, establishment or maintenance of bee keeping on a property owned, rented, or leased by a person. The new law also provides that town, city or municipality can establish regulations concerning the number of active bee hives that can be operated on a property or location of the bee hive on the property. Kristina Lynn will research drafting a bee keeping ordinance.
- d) Robert "M" Ferguson Jr. will research the Park Board or Park Committee in regards to future grants.
- e) Bruce Shaw advised the Town Council the need to replace meters or testers for reporting. Jerry Nelson made a motion to approve Bruce Shaw to update the meters as needed, one being if the probe works for \$645.00 and the dual meter if needed for \$2050.00. James Pell seconded and the Town Council voted in favor 3-0.
- f) Jerry Nelson requested an office space for Main Street. The Town Council agreed for Jerry Nelson to have an office space for Main Street in the Town Hall.

#### **IV. Adjournment**

Richard Morris adjourned the meeting at **8:19 p.m.**

Minutes respectfully submitted by:

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

Minutes approved by:

  
Richard Morris, Council President