Town of Roann Meeting Minutes

October 11, 2022

I. Call to Order

Robert "M" Ferguson Jr. swore in Neil Bever as a new Council Member. Jeremy Fisher called to order the Regular Board Meeting for the Town of Roann at 7:05 p.m. on the 11th day of October, 2022 in Roann Town Hall.

II. Roll Call

The following persons were present: Jerry Nelson, physically absent, Jeremy Fisher, physically present, Neil Bever, physically present, Tony Janeway, Kristina Lynn, Robert "M" Ferguson Jr., Peggy Myers, Steve Hicks, Keith Gillenwater and Alex Downard (Wabash County Imagine One 85) and 4 citizens.

III. Approval of Minutes from last meeting

The Town Council read the minutes from the Public Hearing Meeting on the Utility Rate Study September 13, 2022, the minutes were approved as read.

The Town Council read the minutes from the Public Hearing Meeting for the Budget September 13, 2022, the minutes were approved as read.

The Town Council read the minutes from the Regular Board Meeting on September 13, 2022, the minutes were approved as read.

Open issues

- a) Jeremy Fisher made a motion to adopt the 2023 Budget. Neil Bever seconded and the Town Council voted in favor 2-0. The Town Council votes were as follows: Jeremy Fisher AYE, Neil Bever AYE, to adopt the 2023 Budget.
- b) Tony Janeway reported we wait until the end of October to see what Kerlin Ford will do about ordering the 2022 Town Truck.
- c) Robert "M" Ferguson reported the Marshall SUV Grant with the USDA (United States Department of Agriculture) was approved and is on order.
- d) Jeremy Fisher made a motion to approve Special Salary Ordinance No. 1-2023. Neil Bever seconded and the Town Council voted in favor 2-0.
- e) Kristina Lynn advised the Easement for Kraig Musselman prepared by Duke Energy is legal. Tony Janeway discussed some of the guidelines in the Easement may need to

- be reconsidered. Kristina Lynn will follow up with Duke Energy and report next meeting.
- f) Robert "M" Ferguson Jr. recommended to support Grow Wabash One 85 Comprehensive Plan in the amount of \$4,500.00 total for a one-time, three year commitment. Keith Gillenwater shared the strategic plan for Wabash County and has been adopted or endorsed across the County of Wabash. Alex Downard spoke and is meeting with the Clerk Treasurer, Robert "M" Ferguson Jr. in the next couple weeks for a plan for the Town of Roann. Neil Bever made a motion to approve the \$4,500.00 one-time for 3 year commitment to support One 85 Strategic Plan. Jeremy Fisher seconded and the Town Council voted in favor 2-0.
- g) Tony Janeway reported the sewer main in the alley behind Town Hall was inspected and found a section of about 60 feet needs replaced. Tony Janeway is waiting for the quote to repair the sewer main. Jeremy Fisher made a motion to approve up to \$4,500.00 to repair the sewer line in the alley behind the Town Hall. Neil Bever seconded and the Town Council voted in favor 2-0.

New Business

- a) Neil Bever requested Halloween Hours for Trick or Treat to be Saturday, October 29, 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. After some discussion, Jeremy Fisher made a motion to approve Halloween Trick or Treat hours for Roann, Saturday, October 29, 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. Neil Bever seconded and the Town Council voted in favor 2-0.
- b) Robert "M" Ferguson Jr. recommended to change the next board meeting date from November 8, to Tuesday, November 15, 2022 due to Election Day. The Town Council approved the next Board Meeting is Tuesday, November 15, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.

IV. Adjournment

Jeremy Fisher adjourned the meeting at 8:02 p.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted by:

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

Minutes approved by:

isher, Council Board Member

RMFJ/pm