

**MINUTES**  
**ROME CITY TOWN COUNCIL**  
**MAY 13, 2024**  
**PUBLIC MEETING**  
**ROME CITY TOWN HALL**  
**402 KELLY STREET**  
**ROME CITY, IN 46784**

Nick Heffner called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm. Members present Nick Heffner, Kirk Klein, Cheryl Clifton. Also present Leigh Pranger, Heidi Lang, Paul Hoffman, Scott Neukom and attorney Dustin Glick. See also sign in sheet.

Pledge was said.

Cheryl Clifton asked for a motion to waive the reading of the minutes from the last meeting. Kirk Klein seconded the motion. 3 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

~~Introduction of David Ramey~~

**Old Business**

**Community Crossing Contract Approval:** Leigh Pranger presented the Community Crossing Contract for signature approval. Cheryl Clifton asked for a motion to approve signing of the Community Crossing Contract. Kirk Klein seconded the motion. 3 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

**New Business**

**PHP Insurance Renewal:** Heidi Lang presented the PHP renewal for 2024-2025 to continue to stay with PHP with employee agreement and lowest cost option. Cheryl Clifton asked for a motion to approve the insurance renewal with PHP. Kirk Klein seconded the motion. 3 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

**Boyce Renewal:** Heidi Lang presented the annual contract with Boyce to continue with their service. Kirk Klein asked for a motion to approve the contract to continue to use Boyce. Cheryl Clifton seconded the motion. 3 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

**Gary Cox Certificate of Insurance and new computer equipment:** Heidi Lang presented a copy of Gary Cox's Certificate of Insurance. Heidi also presented the new computer equipment suggested by Gary to update the computers in the office due to their deterioration. Cheryl Clifton asked for a motion to approve the purchase of the new computer equipment. Kirk Klein seconded the motion. 3 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

**Correction to Handbook Insurance Terms:** Heidi Lang discussed that the verbiage in the handbook currently does not reflect how the insurance terms currently work. The terms will need to be updated

the next time the handbook is updated. Cheryl Clifton asked for a motion to approve the current usage of our insurance terms until the handbook can be updated. Kirk Klein seconded the motion. 3 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

**Road Closure for Front Street for Food Trucks and Fireworks on July 6<sup>th</sup> from 3pm-11pm:** Leigh Pranger explained this is the yearly request to have the roads closed for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Celebration. Cheryl Clifton asked for a motion to approve the road closure on July 6<sup>th</sup> from 3pm-11pm. Kirk Klein seconded the motion. 3 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

**Cell Phone for Daniel Rinehart:** Paul Hoffman asked for Daniel Rinehart to be added to the department phone plan and have a phone provided, as each officer has a department provided phone. Cheryl Clifton asked for a motion to approve adding Daniel to the phone plan and issuing a phone. Kirk Klein seconded the motion. 3 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

**Complete Momentum Tax Abatement Paperwork:** Leigh Pranger presented the CF-1 Abatement paperwork for Nick Heffner to sign. Kirk Klein asked for a motion to approve the Momentum Tax Abatement. Cheryl Clifton seconded the motion. 3 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

**Address Zach & Allison Mossman 1911 North Shore, Rome City, IN 46784:** Leigh presented the address for Zach and Allison Mossman due to building a new house and needed a new address. Cheryl Clifton asked for a motion to approve the new address for Zach and Allison Mossman. Kirk Klein seconded the motion. 3 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

**Terry Wagner Rezone Ordinance #2024-02 from AG to GB:** Leigh Pranger presented Ordinance #2024-02 from AG to GB for Rabers Grocery. Rabers Grocery would like to have the parcel of land to the south of the grocery to expand the parking lot and the grocery store. Cheryl Clifton asked for a motion to approve the Rezone Ordinance #2024-02 from AG to GB. Kirk Klein seconded the motion. 3 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

**Ordinance #2024-04 DNR Interlocal Agreement:** Paul Hoffman presented Ordinance #2024-04 to allow the IN Department of Natural Resources officers to use the shooting range for training purposes. Kirk Klein asked for a motion to approve Ordinance #2024-04 DNR Interlocal Agreement. Cheryl Clifton seconded the motion. 3 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

**Crosswalk Sign on Front Street:** Leigh Pranger informed the Council that the current crosswalk sign needs to be replaced. We are currently having to replace batteries and the push button on the sign is malfunctioning. We do have a replacement push button, but the replacement can be used on the new sign. The new sign will have more visibility and functionality. Cheryl Clifton asked for a motion to approve the purchase of a new crosswalk sign. Kirk Klein seconded the motion. 3 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

**Scott Harman Noble County Bicycle Club:** Scott Harman was not in attendance.

**Julia Bolander would like the Bike Trail in front of her house to be concrete and not asphalt:** Julia Bolander was not in attendance. Cheryl Clifton asked for a motion to table this discussion to a future meeting. Kirk Klein seconded the motion. 3 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

**Cari and Steve Brookhart:** They could not speak at this time without their attorney. Spelling correction to correct Cari to Carrie.

Commonwealth updated the Council there was no change in data that came back once the issues came to light with the bike trial. There will be no additional cost for working with the surveyor for the corrections. No timeline impact expected at this time.

Cheryl Clifton asked for a motion to approve payment of the bills. Kirk Klein seconded the motion. 3 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

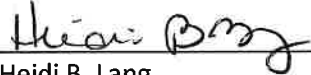
Next Town Council meeting June 10 at 6:30pm, Rome City Town Hall, 402 Kelly Street, Rome City, IN

Cheryl Clifton asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:12. Kirk Klein seconded the motion. 3 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

ROME CITY TOWN HALL

  
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Nick Heffner, President

ATTEST:

  
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Heidi B. Lang  
Clerk-Treasurer