

MINUTES
ROME CITY TOWN COUNCIL

September 9, 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, Dustin Fike 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.

Old Business

Nothing on the agenda.

New Business

Melanie Kellog Executive Director Noble County Economic Development – Be Noble: Melanie shared an update regarding Be Noble. Melanie stated that new industries would like to move into the area but need more power and natural gas to support their needs than is currently available. Be Noble is working with the power companies to increase power and resources to the area. The area is 4th in the nation for manufacturing. In July Be Noble hosted a workshop on Tax Abatements and on October 3rd Be Noble is hosting a TIF District Workshop. Be Noble also opened a co-working space in Kendallville and will be hosting an open house event.

2025 Budget: Heidi provided the proposed 2025 budget for review. Heidi also presented Resolution 2024-03 Appropriation Reduction of 2024 Budget. Cheryl Clifton asked for a motion to approve Resolution 2024-03. Kirk Klein seconded the motion. 3 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Trick or Treating day/hours: Trick or Treating will be Thursday, October 31 from 5-7 pm. Cheryl Clifton asked for a motion to approve trick or treating. Kirk Klein seconded the motion. 3 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Christmas Party Dock’s Landing December 8 at 5:30 pm: A reservation has been made at Dock’s Landing on December 8 at 5:30 pm for the company Christmas party. Food choices will be selected at a later date.


The Council had discussions regarding the sewer rate increase from the prior sewer rate study. The Council approved a rate increase of \$10.00 effective January 1, 2025. The public hearing on the rate increase will be October 14, 2024.

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

Next Town Council meeting October 14 at 6:30pm, Rome City Town Hall, 402 Kelly Street, Rome City, IN

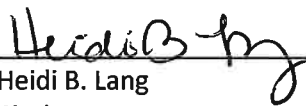
Kirk Klein asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:46. Cheryl Clifton seconded the motion. 3 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

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Nick Heffner, President

ATTEST:



Heidi B. Lang
Clerk-Treasurer