

MEETING OF THE BROOKVILLE TOWN COUNCIL TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 24, 2020
7:00 O'CLOCK P.M. AT THE FRANKLIN COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY

THOSE ATTENDING: Councilmembers – Michael Biltz, Sam Schuck, Cathy Pelsor
Curtis Ward and Eric Johnson

ALSO ATTENDING: Clerk/Treasurer – Gina Gillman
Town Attorney – Tammy Davis (absent)
Town Administrator – Tim Ripperger (absent)

President Biltz opened the meeting requesting everyone stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES: Cathy Pelsor made a motion to approve the minutes of the previous regular meeting as presented. Curtis Ward seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

CLAIMS: Sam Schuck made a motion to approve the claims and payroll as presented. Eric Johnson seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

CODE UPDATES AND BLIGHT ELIMINATION PROGRAM UPDATES:
No new details to report.

IFA CARES GRANT:

According to Clerk-Treasurer, Indiana Finance Authority is recommending utilizing the full allocation of grant funds to the Town for public safety payroll. As such, Curtis Ward made a motion to approve the submission in the amount of \$81,693.00 to the IFA CARES for public safety payroll. Cathy Pelsor seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

APC APPOINTMENT:

President Biltz announced that Gary Marmouze, Jr. withdrew his name for consideration as the Town's appointee. Clerk-Treasurer mentioned Doug Schnitker spoke to Tim Ripperger, Town Administrator, of his interest. Councilmember Ward stated Bill Schirmer and Christine Raines are interested; however, both of them do not live in Town but own property in Town. Councilmember Ward spoke with Attorney Davis regarding the matter and she stated there is nothing that restricts them from consideration. Councilmembers Ward and Pelsor agreed to sit in on the interviews to be scheduled by Town Administrator, Tim Ripperger.

ORDINANCE #2020-17:

Clerk-Treasurer presented an amendment to Salary #2020-1 for Council's consideration regarding the configuration of longevity pay. According to the amendment, the longevity pay would be considered a discretionary bonus and the amounts paid will not be included in the calculation of overtime. As such, Eric Johnson made a motion to approve Ordinance #2020-17 as presented. Sam Schuck seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

SOUTHEASTERN INDIANA REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION (SIRPC) APPOINTEE:

Council needs to appoint the SIRPC representative for the Town of Brookville to serve January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021. Wastewater employee, Amberly Wolfram, served as the representative for 2020. After discussion, Councilmember Curtis Ward made a motion to appoint Amberly Wolfram as the Town's SIRPC representative for 2021 contingent upon her acceptance. Cathy Pelsor seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

FREE PARKING IN DECEMBER:

In the past, Council declared December a 'free parking' month to encourage people to shop in Town and support local businesses and all Councilmembers were in agreement to continue the tradition. As such, Cathy Pelsor made a motion to approve free parking in Town for the month of December 2020. Eric Johnson seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

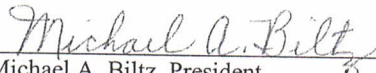
OTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD:

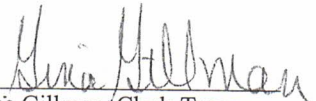
Councilmember Pelsor commented that the opening of Winter Wonderland light display was wonderful with a really neat golf cart parade. Even though they couldn't have a lighting ceremony due to the COVID spike, the committee is real proud of the display and how it all turned out. President Biltz asked the public to contact one of the committee persons should they notice any lights that are not working.

President Biltz said he attended a pool update meeting last week and gave a brief summary of the work being done currently. The last meeting Council approved funds to assist in the construction of the pool shelterhouse; however, the contractor mentioned there are contingency funds remaining which can be utilized. President Biltz will keep Council apprised of any changes.

Stayin' Alive requested an additional donation for 2020. After discussion, Sam Schuck made the motion to gift Stayin' Alive an additional donation in the amount of \$1,000.00. Curtis Ward seconded the motion. All were in favor. Motion carried.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned.


Michael A. Biltz, President
Brookville Town Council

ATTEST: 
Gina Gillman, Clerk-Treasurer