TOWN OF ATLANTA

Town Council Meeting 105 E. Main Street October 9, 2023 6:00 p.m.

Present:

Murry Dixon

Absent:

Jody Price Pam Van Hook

Others Present:

Jennifer Farley, Clerk-Treasurer

Others Absent:

Andy Emmert, Utility Superintendent, Building Commissioner

Alex Nickloy, Attorney

Luke Brown, Code Enforcement

Minutes: September 28, 2023 – Regular Meeting- Approved

REPORTS

Water, Wastewater, & Streets:

Andy Emmert

No Report

Building Commissioner:

Andy Emmert

No Report

Clerk Treasurer:

Jennifer Farley

Code Enforcement:

Luke Brown

No Report

Attorney:

Alex Nickloy

No Report

OLD BUSINESS

Festival: Mr. Dixon would like to schedule a wrap-up festival meeting. He has asked everyone involved to share their concerns or ideas to help improve the festival. Mrs. Farley is still waiting to pay final invoices.

Library: The Library Board has requested payment of \$6000.00 for Settlement fees. Mrs. Price made a motion to approve the \$6000.00. Mrs. Van Hook, Seconded.

AYE: Mr. Dixon, Mrs. Price, Mrs. Van Hook

Indiana Landmark Mortgage Loan: Historic Landmarks Foundation of Indiana, has agreed to loan the town \$200,000.00 for the purchase of the Hamilton County North Library. This is a short-term loan that will have stipulations to protect the library. (all information is attached) We are waiting on final version. Mrs. Van Hook made a motion to proceed with the short-term loan. Mrs. Price, Seconded.

AYE: Mr. Dixon, Mrs. Price, Mrs. Van Hook

Steve Brock: Mr. Brock attended the meeting to discuss the water BOND that would allow us to purchase and renovate the library and do maintenance to the water tower. He explained we have a current debt service from 2014 that can be paid for with our debt reserve. And a water lease payment that is due January of 2024. Our current utility rates are unable to carry the cashflow of new and existing debt. If our current debt is paid off, this would allow us to fund this project without a rate increase. Next step would be the council giving him permission to contact SRF to request an early payoff on our current loan. This would allow us to move forward without a rate increase. Mrs. Price made a motion to allow Mr. Brock to contact SRF concerning an early pay-off. Mrs. Van Hook, Seconded.

AYE: Mr. Dixon, Mrs. Price, Mrs. Van Hook

Sidewalk: The resident at 220 S. Indiana St called again concerning the sidewalk repair in front of her home. Mr. Dixon has been in contact with them and stated the town is unable to accommodate her at this time.

Baseball Diamond: Mr. Dixon informed the council he has spoken with individuals that are associated with Tipton baseball. They are unable to use their fields and are interested in looking at ours. Council would like to have a decision made by the end of the year of what we are going to do with the fields.

Heavy Trash Pickup: October 27, 2023

Asset Management Plan: Still waiting for completion.

310 E. County Line: Noise violation – no complaints currently.

NEW BUSINESS

Public Comment:

Mrs. Teal voiced her concern about the maintenance and the damaged back porch at the Post Office. Mr. Dixon informed her the town is unable to do anything about the cleanliness of the Post Office, but he will investigate the damaged porch as it could be a hazard to the residents.

Mr. & Mrs. Rich Palmer (375 Allison Dr.) attended the meeting to discuss a barking dog that is located behind their house in North Wind Estates. They have made every attempt to resolve this matter without going to court. After a lengthy discussion, Mr. Dixon stated he will take their concerns seriously. He explained to them we do have ordinances that pertain to this, but we have Limited resources and manpower. He will talk with Mr. Brown concerning this. Mr. Palmer also voiced his concern about speeding in the neighborhood. Mr. Dixon understands his concern.

With no further business to discuss the claims were signed and the meeting adjourned.

Murry Dixon, Council President

Jennifer Farley, IAMC, CMC

Clerk-Treasurer