



## MEETING MINUTES

### *PRINCE'S LAKES TOWN COUNCIL*

PRINCE'S LAKES TOWN HALL, 14 E LAKEVIEW DR, NINEVEH, IN 46164

April 15, 2024

COUNCILORS PRESENT:

COUNCIL PRESIDENT GREG NELSON  
COUNCIL V. PRESIDENT BRYAN TEARMAN  
COUNCILOR CHARLIE BOURNE  
COUNCILOR KEVIN HARRISON  
COUNCILOR LINDSEY HENSON

CLERK-TREASURER PRESENT:

ERICA LYDEN-GIGER

TOWN ATTORNEY PRESENT:

LEE ROBBINS

STAFF PRESENT:

MARSHAL GREG SOUTHERS  
UTILITES SUPT SCOTT BLACKWELL  
PUBLIC WORKS SUPERVISOR MIKE MILLER  
BUILDING INSPECTOR PHIL MONTARSI

PUBLIC PRESENT:

LISA LINTER  
MIKE GALLAMORE  
PHIL MONTARSI  
ANTHONY GIGER  
DAVE WILCOXEN

Council President Nelson called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance

**PUBLIC FORUM:**

Lisa Linter, Johnson County Public Library Director of JCPL, spoke about the year-end review and upcoming programs the library is going to host. Mrs. Linter spoke about the remodeling of the new Clark-Pleasant Library branch that had tornado damage. Over 1.2 million items were borrowed and more than 330,000 visitors. JCPL had 3200 programs and were attending by 74,000 people. They added 29 more stops to the JCPL on Wheels including Prince's Lakes.

Dave Wilcoxon with the Nineveh Heritage Committee asked Council if they could host another festival this year on September 7, 2024. Mr. Wilcoxon said they are going to add a few more food vendors and have a car show and would also like to donate some of the funds back to the Town.

- Councilor Kevin Harrison motioned to approve the Nineveh Heritage Festival for September 7, 2024. Council President Greg Nelson seconded the motion and passed unanimously.

Mike Gallamore updated Council on the Park Board 1–3 year plan. They would like to expand the walking trail through the woods and have already planned out the path and cleared part of it. They want have a TOPL Challenge Festival which would include: tug-o-war, Golf Cart/Jeep parade, dunk tank with Council members, food truck, “Jail” a Council Member, Free Throw contest, ax throwing, music, vendors and the Indian Creek High School marching band. They would also like to add a small playground at the ball diamonds, bark park, pickle ball court, horse shoe pit, and farmers markets. Discussion was made about fundraising and the top priorities for the Park Board are the walking trail, TOPL Festival and adding a new playground at Shay Robertson Park. Tentative date for festival set for July 27, 2024.

Discussion was made about Town Clean Up and date was set for June 22, 2024. Mr. Gallamore asked if Council would like him to organize a planning session and Councilor Lindsey Henson said yes and recommended Mr. Gallamore to continue that.

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

- Councilor Charlie Bourne motioned to approve the March 18, 2024 Regular Meeting minutes. Council Vice President seconded the motion and passed unanimously.

#### **TOWN MARSHAL REPORT:**

Marshal Greg Southers gave an update on how the eclipse went and had enough reserve officers to help with full time coverage. Marshal Southers also said Council President Greg Nelson bought food for the officers and would like to see if he can get reimbursed. Marshal Southers said the 2016 Dodge Durango is being worked on by another reserve officer, the 2019 Dodge Durango is in the shop and it will cost over \$3,000.00 to fix. He has looked at new Dodge Rams and they cost about \$41,000.00

Security cameras have been installed and the live stream camera will be installed next week, but and electrician needs to add outlets to the pavilion for the security cameras. Council Vice President Tearman told Mike Miller to contact Davis Electric.

Marshal Southers also asked to have approval for \$1431.00 for Mia’s Home Security to finish the project.

- Councilor Bourne motioned to approve reimbursing Greg Nelson \$100.00. Council Vice President seconded the motion and passed unanimously.
- Councilor Henson motioned to approve the claim for \$1431.00 to Mia’s Home Security. Council President Nelson seconded the motion and passed unanimously.

### **WATER/WASTEWATER REPORT:**

Superintendent Scott Blackwell presented the Council with a report with how much no-match grant we have received over the past four years. He also gave Council an information sheet that will be given to new residents when they complete a new utility application, and it shows who is responsible to fix certain issues on the homeowner's property. Mr. Blackwell stated the CCR will be available July 1. He said he has a really good team to help get the next \$4.4 million grant through the Department of Defense and is currently being worked on. He would like to meet with Town Attorney Lee Robbins to go over more specific needs and securing easements.

Mr. Robbins stated Halderman is the appraisal company and they have started the process. He stated if the estimation of value is less than \$10,000.00 then they can do a waiver of value it will cost \$1000.00 per easement. If the value is over \$10,000.00, it could cost up to \$3500.00 per appraisal. Halderman has asked for additional information for area calculations for parcels and easement areas from HWC. Halderman has everything they need and will get started within a couple of weeks. Once that happens, we can negotiate with property owners.

The new building is on schedule, several utility employees have renewed their certifications, and water efficiency is over 80% again.

After discussion,

- Councilor Bourne motioned to contract with Halderman for appraisals to be done, based on the fee scheduled as mention by Mr. Robbins. Council President Nelson seconded the motion and passed unanimously.

### **STREET DEPARTMENT REPORT:**

Public Works Supervisor Mike Miller said he received a call from Alex Bell, the president of the Little League, about the condition of the t-ball field. Mr. Nelson said the Little League has always taken care of the fields and the Town mows and takes care of the utilities. Mr. Miller needs to contact Mr. Bell to inform him they need to drag the fields and maintain them.

Mr. Miller said the packets for the paving grant have been put together. Mr. Miller asked if Elena contacted him, and he said she did last week. Mrs. Lyden-Giger said Elena has been working on the bid packet. Mr. Robbins stated we are at the bidding stage and we need to invite bids and publish a bid notice. He needs to be told when to do that, bid numbers and when Mr. Miller wants to open bids. After discussion, Mr. Robbins will publish notice for bids to be opened before the May meeting and the bid will be awarded at the May meeting as long as the bid is responsive.

### **CLERK-TREASURER REPORT:**

Clerk-Treasurer Erica Lyden-Giger presented General, Utilities, March 28, 2024 & April 11, 2024, allowance docket claims and ask the Council for approval in the amounts of \$149,259.29, \$245,914.43, \$39,302.86, \$41,427.82

- Council President Nelson motioned to approve all claims as presented. Council Vice President Tearman seconded the motion and passed unanimously.

Mrs. Lyden-Giger presented the 2023 Annual Financial Report and list of Outstanding Warrants. She also updated Council on the status of the playground. She said she sent an email letting the company know that the installation is unacceptable, some equipment is not secure and another piece is upside down, the felt is now exposed and the surface is not level anymore. She is waiting for a response. If we don't get a response soon, a letter will be sent by our attorney.

#### **ATTORNEY'S REPORT:**

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

Mrs. Henson stated they need to revising specs and getting bids for a new electronic sign. She, Mrs. Lyden-Giger and Mr. Gallamore will work on that project.

Discussion was made about sending out the survey about the AT&T cell phone tower and if people who own a home here, but are not residents should receive the survey. Discussion was also made about possibly adding an addendum to the November ballet. Mr. Nelson said he will check with the Clerk.

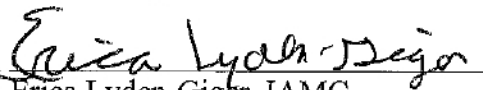
#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Discussion was made about when to have the community yard sale and the date was set for June 8<sup>th</sup>.

Mr. Harrison stated the Planning Commission had a meeting and they voted to change the lot size from 41,000 sq ft to 21,780 sq ft and change the width of road frontage. The Planning Commission will bring to the Council when they updated more ordinances. Mr. Tearman asked about allowing chickens and Mr. Harrison stated they have not gotten to that task yet.

With no further business before the Prince's Lakes Town Council, Council President Nelson motioned to adjourn at 8:44 pm Councilor Bourne seconded the motion and carried unanimously.

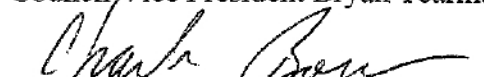
Respectfully submitted,

  
Erica Lyden-Giger, IAMC  
Clerk-Treasurer

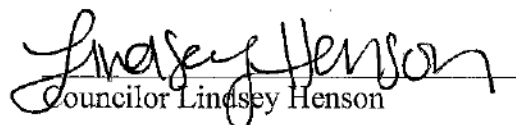
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