

MEETING MINUTES

PRINCE'S LAKES TOWN COUNCIL PRINCE'S LAKES TOWN HALL, 14 E LAKEVIEW DR, NINEVEH, IN 46164 March 18, 2024

COUNCILORS PRESENT:

COUNCIL PRESIDENT GREG NELSON

COUNCILOR CHARLIE BOURNE COUNCILOR KEVIN HARRISON COUNCILOR LINDSEY HENSON

COUNCILORS ABSENT:

COUNCIL V. PRESIDENT BRYAN TEARMAN

CLERK-TREASURER ABSENT:

ERICA LYDEN-GIGER

TOWN ATTORNEY PRESENT:

LEE ROBBINS

STAFF PRESENT:

LAYMAN BOYD

PUBLIC WORKS SUPERVISOR MIKE MILLER

BUILDING INSPECTOR PHIL MONTARSI

PUBLIC PRESENT:

MIKE GALLAMORE PHIL MONTARSI

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

PUBLIC FORUM:

Mike Gallamore gave an updated the Park Board. They would like to expand the walking trail behind the street department and add exercise equipment along the trail. He would like to get more involvement from the community, have other advisors and input from the younger residents. He said there is an old telephone pole behind the street department that been there for eight years and has no value and asked the Council if he could have it.

Council President Nelson motioned to allow Mike Gallamore to have the telephone pole. Councilor Kevin Harrison seconded the motion and passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

➤ Council President Nelson motioned to approve the February 20, 2024 Regular Meeting minutes & March 6, 2024 Special Meeting Minutes. Councilor Charlie Bourne seconded the motion and passed unanimously.

Town Attorney Lee Robbins opened sealed bids for a 2005 Chevrolet Silverado. One bid was for \$805.00, the other bid is for \$810.00. Larry Phelps won the bid.

Councilor Bourne motioned to accept the bid and authorize the transfer to Larry Phelps. Councilor Kevin Harrison seconded the motion and passed unanimously.

TOWN MARSHAL REPORT:

Marshal Greg Southers previously gave Council his report.

WATER/WASTEWATER REPORT:

Layman Boyd presented the Council with utility report. Mr. Boyd said they have been using the new vac and it has been a big improvement. The construction on the new building is progressing. They have been working with Steve Brock on the SRF grant, Camp Atterbury is going to pay for the upgrades to the SCADA system.

Wastewater maintenance has been done at the plant. Jason Sneed has been involved with Camp Atterbury engineering.

Mike Gallamore spoke about the grant for the Edinburgh connection and the new water main line. He spoke about what new improvements they have been working on to try to get approved. The three criteria: Base Commander's Letter, Being Shovel Ready, and adding value to the military and community. He, Superintendent Scott Blackwell, Jason Sneed and Council Vice President Bryan Tearman attended a meeting with Camp Atterbury about clarification and updating the written portion on the grant. Mr. Gallamore said being shovel ready will be the next step and getting easements. Mr. Robbins has already sent letters to homeowners regarding easements. Mr. Gallamore said once the Federal government releases the funds, we will have ninety days to submit the application. Camp Atterbury Base Commander suggested contacting other surrounding communities to get letters as to how the project will help improve their Towns. Councilor Kevin Harrison asked if we did not get the full grant which project would be eliminated, Mr. Gallamore said the Edinburgh redundancy would be eliminated. He also said our grant writer Kristy Jerrell said she would be able to help write it, but she has never worked on a DOD grant.

STREET DEPARTMENT REPORT:

Public Works Supervisor Mike Miller said the installers of the playground said they would be here on Wednesday, March 20 to finish the install. Mr. Harrison asked if they are going to lower the merry-go-round, Mr. Miller said they didn't say anything about it, but Clerk-Treasurer Erica Lyden-Giger has already contacted Little Tykes.

Mr. Miller said the he has a few issues with the Bobcat UTV. He said the lower end of the motor went out and it will have to be rebuilt. The cost is \$5145.00 to fix. Mr. Boyd stated those engines only hold a couple of quarts of oil, and when they are low it takes very little loss to cause and issue and they do not have a low oil pressure shut off. If you get low and don't know it, the engine

will fail. Mr. Bourne said to Mr. Miller that he will have to start checking the oil every day he uses it and create a checklist with the date and time he checked the oil. Mr. Miller said he will start. He said it will cost \$21,000.00 to buy a new one. He also he is still waiting on INDOT about the CCMG to see if we received the grant, it would be the end of April before he knows.

After discussion,

Councilor Bourne made a motion to get the Bobcat fixed once Mr. Miller verifies with Clerk-Treasurer Erica Lyden-Giger about funds, Council President Nelson seconded the motion and passed unanimously.

BUILDING INSPECTOR REPORT:

Phil Montarsi said he has received a lot of calls about putting campers on properties. He has informed the realtors that they are not allowed.

CLERK-TREASURER REPORT:

Mrs. Henson presented General, Utilities, February 29, 2024 & March 14, 2024, allowance docket claims and ask the Council for approval in the amounts of \$180,151.62, \$282,556.31, \$39,440.04, \$42,502.34

Council President Nelson motioned to approve all claims as presented. Councilor Bourne seconded the motion and passed unanimously.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT:

Mr. Robbins stated McFarland's are going to donate the easements to the Town for the DOD grant and will want a waiver of connection fee in the future. He has contact information for an appraiser, but has not been able to secure one yet for the easements.

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

Councilor Harrsion stated the Planning Commission has a full board now. Mr. Boyd needs to be reappointed for a new four-year term. Mr. Harrison is president; Kevin Aders is vice president. Mr. Aders has agreed to be appointed from the Planning Commission to the BZA. Mr. Nelson appointed Jared Sneed at the last meeting. The Council needs to appoint two other members to the BZA. Mr. Harrison and Mr. Bourne recommended Jeff Scott and either Don Barton or Ron Shelley. Both live in the back of the lakes. Mr. Harrison will contact everyone appointed and have a meeting on Thursday.

Council President Nelson motioned to appoint Jeff Scott and Don Barton to the BZA. Kevin Aders appointed to BZA from Planning Commission. Jeremy Nelson appointed by Council to BZA. Layman Boyd reappointed to Planning Commission for four years. Councilor Harrison seconded the motion and passed unanimously.

Mr. Robins stated he wanted to clarify a misunderstanding. A citizen appointment to the BZA or Planning Commission can be an employee. They cannot be an elected official. They cannot be an appointed official like a town marshal. A citizen appointee to the BZA or Planning Commission must meet the requirements which is to own property in the jurisdictional area or be a resident in the jurisdictional area. If they meet those requirements and don't hold and office, they can be an employee.

Mr. Harrison asked where they were with the AT&T cell phone tower survey. Mrs. Henson stated she needs to get the list of residents turned into an excel spreadsheet and she has not heard back from USPS. Mrs. Lyden-Giger was going to ask Arlene Miller for the spreadsheet, but she has not heard back from her. Mr. Nelson said they approved the survey letter. Mr. Harrison said the reason for question is that he and Marshal Southers spent time making plans for a new police department. The shell and concrete floor would be \$32,000 - \$33,000.00, plumbing would be minimal because its all on one wall. There will be a tankless water heater, small kitchenet, interview room and common area. Mrs. Henson asked why he was asking about the cell phone tower. Mr. Harrison said if we are getting \$1000.00 a month for the cell phone tower, we can use the money to pay for the building.

Mr. Bourne said he looked at the address list and had concerns with the PO boxes because they don't know if those people are fulltime residents and there are about 180 of those addresses. Mrs. Henson stated they only want to send a survey to fulltime residents. Mr. Harrison said we just need to get started so when AT&T contacts us again they will have their survey in hand and will be ready to go. Mrs. Henson said AT&T pushed it out to 2025. Mr. Robbins stated they remain interested and received an email since the last meeting and asked about the status.

With no further business before the Prince's Lakes Town Council, Council President Nelson motioned to adjourn at 7:24 pm Councilor Bourne seconded the motion and carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Erica Lyden-Giger, IAMC

Clerk-Treasurer

Council:

Council President Greg Nelson

Council Vice President Bryan Tearman

Councilor Charlie Bourne

Councilor Kevin Harrison

Councilor Lindsey Henson