

# MEETING MINUTES PRINCE'S LAKES TOWN COUNCIL PRINCE'S LAKES TOWN HALL, 14 E LAKEVIEW DR, NINEVEH, IN 46164 May 19, 2025

COUNCILORS PRESENT:

COUNCIL PRESIDENT LINDSEY HENSON COUNCIL V PRESIDENT BRYAN TEARMAN COUNCILOR CHARLIE BOURNE COUNCILOR ANTHONY GIGER COUNCILOR KEVIN HARRISON

CLERK-TREASURER PRESENT:

TOWN ATTORNEY PRESENT:

STAFF PRESENT:

UTILITES SUPT SCOTT BLACKWELL STREET SUPERVISOR TERRY WEST DEPUTY CLERK-TREASURER

PUBLIC PRESENT:

SHAWN SEALS JENNIFER SEALS JEFF BREDSON MIKE GALLAMORE KIM OSBOURNE

ERICA LYDEN-GIGER

LEE ROBBINS

Council President Henson called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance **PUBLIC FORUM:** 

Mike Gallamore gave the Council an update on the circus. He told them that it cost \$120 on our end, and received over \$1000.00 in revenue. He said lights were left on after the games a couple of weeks prior and they were unable to find a key to turn off the lights. Mr. Gallamore asked Street Department Supervisor Terry West if he had a key. Mr. West stated he does not have a key and was asked not to go into the building. Mrs. Henson asked who told him to stay out. Mr. West replied the Little League's caterer told him. Discussion was made and Mr. West, an officer or any town employee that needs to get into the building can enter. Mr. Gallamore spoke about paving the new part of the walking trail, but the last estimate was \$30,000.00. Councilor Charlie Bourne suggested that once it's cleared, just leave it as it is. Kim Osbourne stated she contacted the graveyard in Franklin and they said we could have as much mulch for free as needed. Mr. Gallamore said he wanted to have a security light installed at the dog park. He is also getting bids to repair the fence at the ball diamond, but he would like the Town to pay for the fence. He said the Town Clean-Up Day was a success again this year.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Council President Henson motioned to approve the April 21, 2025 Regular Meeting minutes and April 21, 2025 Executive Session Memorandum. Councilor Bourne seconded the motion and passed unanimously.

#### TOWN MARSHAL REPORT:

Marshal Greg Southers was absent

## WATER/WASTEWATER REPORT:

Superintendent Scott Blackwell updated Council about Mr. Baldwin that came to last month's meeting. He said he spoke with the general contractor and asked if we would provide a summary of events with work orders. The general contractor is going to turn it into his insurance. Mr. Blackwell said Camp Atterbury used to have three master meters. They rerouted their plumbing and now everything goes into one ten inch meter. Camp Atterbury is requesting that we would treat it as a fire protection area and only charge for water when it's used. Mr. Blackwell said we would still read the meter each month.

Johnson County Park also asked if they could stop being charged for sewer for one of their meters in the horse park because they only use that meter to hose down their arenas. Mr. Blackwell said they are charged for sewer at their restroom facilities. Mr. Blackwell is in support of both of these changes.

Mr. Blackwell said he would like to transfer funds to Trust Indiana to be able to make more interest, \$125,000.00 per year for wastewater and \$150,000.00 from water. He would also like interest to have the interest moved back into the water and wastewater accounts. Discussion was made about Trust Indiana and where interest can be receipted in to. Mr. Blackwell ask Council if Mrs. Henson can sign a form allowing Mutual Savings Bank to call the utility office in case of any discrepancy with deposits. Mr. Blackwell told Council that Arlene Miller is wanting to transition from full time to part time. He asked if Mrs. Miller can be treated as a part time employee that has been here for two years and get two personal days and paid half pay for the holidays. Council agreed.

- Councilor Bourne motioned to approve the change to fire protection area only to Johnson County Park. Council Vice President Tearman seconded the motion and passed unanimously.
- Councilor Bourne motioned to approve the change to fire protection area only to Camp Atterbury. Council President Henson seconded the motion and passed unanimously.
- Councilor Bourne motioned to authorize Lindsey Henson to sign bank form allowing the bank to contact the utility office in case of a deposit discrepancy. Councilor Kevin Harrison seconded the motion and passed unanimously

#### STREET DEPARTMENT REPORT:

Street Department Supervisor Terry West told Council about an injury he sustained on Friday May 16, 2025. Mr. West said the handle on the faucet in the restroom at the ball diamond broke and they repaired it, the drinking fountain had a broken piece, but it was under warranty and was able to get it repaired as well. Councilor Anthony Giger told Mr. West he needs to fill the pot hole on the corner of Dyson and Howard Prince. Mr. West stated it is not dry enough yet to fix it, but he can add gravel. Mr. Giger asked Mr. West to see if the security light can be moved closer to the dog park since Mr. Gallamore requested a security light. Discussion was made about having a town wide trash pick up service. Mr. Tearman suggested having a couple of companies bid on the job.

## CLERK-TREASURER REPORT:

Clerk-Treasurer Erica Lyden-Giger presented General, Utilities, April 24, 2025 & May 8, 2025, allowance docket claims and ask the Council for approval in the amounts of \$180,844.17 \$325,201.30, \$44,051.40, \$42,557.61, HWC invoice #7 \$42,000.00 Mrs. Lyden-Giger updated the Council on Town Clean-Up Day. She said it went really well, had plenty of help and would like to keep it in May because the weather is a lot nicer. Mrs. Lyden-Giger also said the cameras for live streaming will be installed June 5 and 6 and will have one meeting to go live before the law takes affect July 1. She also presented Ordinance 2025-04 Second Ordinance Amending Salary Ordinance 2024-08. She stated language was added to Council approved an increase in compensation-for-employees who are "on call" from \$60.00 to \$70.00. She also presented resolution 2025-02 a Resolution Creating a Dog Park Operating Fund and Community Garden Operating Fund.

Mrs. Lyden-Giger informed Council that SB 1 passed and we are looking at a two-thirds reduction in property tax revenue, LIT will be completely eliminated and so will EDIT, video franchise fees will be reduced by 1% and these tax cuts will happen over the next eighteen months to two and half years. She said to Council they need to think about ways to make up for the short fall and start now and that this is going to gave a signification impact on our Town. Mrs. Lyden-Giger stated the need to have a special meeting to discuss this further. She also told Council that AIM had a three and a half hour webinar on SB 1 and she can get a recording of the webinar if anyone would like to watch it.

- Council President Henson motioned to approve all claims as presented. Council Vice President Tearman seconded the motion and passed unanimously.
- Councilor Bourne motioned to approve Ordinance 2025-04 and Resolution 2025-02 as presented. Council Vice President Tearman seconded the motion and passed unanimously.

#### ATTORNEY'S REPORT:

• No Report

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

Mr. Harrison said the Planning Commission has discussed having a hearing regarding the new chicken ordinance and discussing the changes in the ordinances at the same meeting.

#### NEW BUSINESS:

Mr. Giger agrees with Mr. Tearman about having a town wide trash pick up service. Discussion was made and Mr. Robbins is going to send contracts from other towns for Council review. Mr. Harrison suggested 10% of the street department's salary come out of the park fund.

With no further business before the Prince's Lakes Town Council, Council President Henson adjourned the meeting at 7:45 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Erica Lyden-Giger, IAMCA Clerk-Treasurer

Council:

Council President Lindsey Henson

Council Vice President, Bryan Tearman ancilor Charlie Bourne

Councilor Anthony Giger

Councilor Kevin Harrison