

April 12, 2021, 7:00 p.m.

Jon Lykins, Council President, declared a quorum and called the meeting to order. An attendance sheet was made available for non-officers and citizens present. Present besides Jon were Dennis Richardson, Council Vice President, Jo Temple, Council Member; and Mary Richardson, Clerk-Treasurer. Others present were Marvin Hedrick, Marshal, Paul Sembach, Utility Supervisor, and Geoffrey Wesling, Town Attorney.

Jon led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

A motion was made by Dennis Richardson and seconded by Jo Temple to dispense with the reading of the minutes from the previous town meeting. Approval was unanimous. There were no amendments.

A motion was made by Dennis Richardson and seconded by Jo Temple to pay the bills as presented. Approval was unanimous. It was agreed to hold the dumpster check for a few days pending follow up on the charges.

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| General Fund | 28,458.99 | Sewage Operating Fund | \$4,448.34 |
| Motor Vehicle Highway Fund | \$462.52 | Payroll Fund | \$7,120.03 |
| Park Fund | \$169.43 | | |
| Water Utility Operating Fund | \$6,400.16 | Total | \$47,059.47 |

Unfinished Business

Mike Meyer, RLM Engineering, and Paul Sembach presented documentation to submit to SRF to purchase items required for the water project. There are \$24,594.27 remaining in SRF available funds. Mike will request three companies to provide quotes for the Council to consider at the May meeting.

The Council discussed the March 23, 2021 meeting with OCRA. Additional funds will be made available to help cover the project as long as the Town meets the 20% match. A letter requesting the modification must be sent to OCRA after a public hearing which has been scheduled for 7:45 p.m. during this town meeting. The additional funds must be spent by August 2021.

A motion was made Dennis Richardson and seconded by Jo Temple to accept the low bid on the wastewater project CONTINGENT on getting release of funds from the Indiana Office of Community and Rural Affairs. Approval was unanimous. Mike Meyer noted that the low bidder has extended his bid until May 4, 2021.

The Council discussed the revised sidewalk project. Since the projected right of way cost has increased from the original proposal, the project must be modified. INDOT and the Town do not have the funds for the excess.

Mary recapped her conversation with the INDOT Project Manager. He has agreed to the project modification which increases the right of way cost but decreases the projected construction cost. He prefers that the new sidewalk does not move into an old sidewalk and that the ramps are considered. Mary suggested that the sidewalk at the Christian Church and property next to the Church be removed. The ramps at State & Main Streets will be replaced by INDOT with bid scheduled on 9/11/2024. The Town received notice that the State would be surveying the area. Surveyors were in town today.

Five parcels had previously been removed from the project. A motion was made by Jo Temple and seconded by Dennis Richardson to remove two additional parcels at the Christian Church and adjacent property. Approval was unanimous. Mary agreed to provide final list to INDOT and the Engineer. Mary will also notify the property owners.

The contract that Strand sent for signature is primarily the same as the original contract. Mary did not send the signed revision back to Strand. This was not the contract that was to be added to INDOT's system for electronic signature. That contract is with INDOT's Engineer. Mary will contact the INDOT Coordinator to arrange for that document to be signed.

Denny Richardson reported he had a quote to install a new culvert on Cemetery Street. The Council agreed to table matter until the May meeting and try to obtain more quotes.

Marvin Hedrick reported on the status of the blight property on North Main Street. No progress has been made to make the repairs as committed by the property owner. A motion was made by Jo Temple and seconded by Jon Lykins to proceed to the next step in the process to remediate the blight situation. Approval was unanimous. Mary will provide some documentation to Geoffrey Wesling.

Marvin reported that the warning siren has been installed. There is a minor issue that is being addressed. Mary stated that as soon as the contractor's check clears, she will submit a final grant report to the Rush County Community Foundation.

At 7:45 p.m., the town meeting was stopped and Jon opened the Public Hearing covering the wastewater project. After the public hearing was closed, Jon resumed the town meeting.

Mary informed the Council that the Railroad Grade Crossing Grant agreement was received and returned to INDOT on March 15, 2021.

A motion was made by Dennis Richardson and seconded by Jo Temple to authorize David Miller to tear down and clean up the house at a cost of \$2800.00 and to provide the liability and workman's comp certificate of insurance along with the e-verify affidavit. Approval was unanimous.

Mary encouraged the Council to ensure the required documentation is received prior to any work being performed in order to protect the Town.

Mary presented the Council with \$1302.00 in sewer charges for 206 N Durbon Street. A motion was made Dennis Richardson and seconded by Jo Temple to write off these charges. Approval was unanimous.

Mary noted that the \$2800 and \$2454 plus \$2469 additional dumpster costs in Apr is not in the current budget. Total for house removal is \$77723. The Council can borrow appropriations from the matching grant fund which can be replaced with CARES Act revenue during the next budget process. The Council discussed the damage at the community center parking lot created by the dumpster truck. The estimated cost for repair is \$850. Denny will contact the company and discuss this issue and other disputes with the billing.

Jo stated she will be contacting Davey, an arborist company, to schedule a tree review.

As follow up to the conflict-of-interest forms submitted by Paul Sembach and Jo Temple at the March meeting, a motion was made by Dennis Richardson and seconded by Jon Lykins to approve the conflict-of-interest forms for both Paul and Jo. Approval was unanimous.

The Comprehensive Plan Review has been tabled and updates will be considered over the next few months.

New Business

A motion was made Dennis Richardson and seconded by Jon Lykins that the 1953 Fire Siren has no material value and can be given away as junk. Approval was unanimous.

Mary provided an update from the Park Board meeting. The Board wants to put vinyl on the shelter ceiling. The Board is getting a quote that will be presented to the Council.

The Council discussed the fugitive dust and storage tank issues in town. Jeff Sherwood stated that he farms and the weather can cause issues with the tanks leaking even if owners are careful with the tanks. The Council tabled the discussion for a future meeting.

A motion was made by Dennis Richardson and seconded by Jon Lykins to authorize Paul Sembach to get fluid placed in the tractor tires. Approval was unanimous.

A motion was made by Jo Temple and seconded by Jon Lykins for the Glenwood Clean-Up Day to be held on June 12, 2021. Approval was unanimous. Denny said he would make arrangements. Mary noted funds may be tight to hold another event in the fall.

Reports

Mary reported that the Indiana mask mandate has been rescinded but is still recommended. She suggested the back row be designated as requiring masks for those wanting isolation from those not wearing mask. Also, it would be good for the Town to still furnish masks and offer the call-in option for meetings. A motion was made Dennis Richardson and seconded by Jo Temple to accept Mary's recommendations. Approval was unanimous.

Baker Tilly held a webinar regarding the American Rescue Plan but Mary was unable to attend. According to Doug Baldessari, the Town of Glenwood is receiving \$49,180 subject to certain limits. Mary said she will research the requirements.

Mary provided an update regarding property on South Main St. Mary stated the Council may want to watch this property. Nobody will be maintaining it and there is probably no liability insurance. If it does not sell at a tax sale, the Town may not want to take possession and assume the cost of removing mold. Owners are Irvin and Pearl Clontz. In July 2020, Pearl called and said Irvin was deceased and she had moved. Irvin had a loan with Wells Fargo and she thought the bank would tear it down because the house has mold. I advised her that I would need to continue sending notices to her as long as their names were on the property. Since the property has not transferred to Wells Fargo, they might not foreclose. In February 2020, Pearl's daughter called after I had sent a sewer lien letter. Pearl is now deceased and the daughter does not want the property. The daughter said she contacted Wells Fargo and the balance is zero. Apparently, the bank walked away from the property as I suspected. I explained that letters would continue to be sent as long as their names were on the tax records. At some point, Fayette County may add the property to a tax sale.

Mary reported that the Indiana Department of Revenue waived the \$130 penalty for filing the W-2's in February since no notice of the change was provided.

Mary said she provided Paul with some report recommendations to help the Council keep track of due dates and locations. Paul requested Mary resend the information.

Paul Sembach's written report was received by the Council.

OTHER BUSINESS

A motion was made by Jo Temple and seconded by Dennis Richardson to adjourn the meeting. Approval was unanimous.

Mary M. Richardson, Clerk-Treasurer