

July 20, 2022

**TOWN OF AVILLA
AVILLA TOWN COUNCIL
MEETING**

108 S. Main St. Avilla, IN 46710

THOSE PRESENT: Phil Puckett, William Krock, Jr., Rita Grocock, Paul Shepherd, Seth Tipton, Brian Carroll, Chad Geiger, Kevin Kelly, Joe McQueen, Josh Lash, Tena Woenker, Andy Uhl.

Town Council President, Phillip Puckett, Jr. called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

Claims in the amount of \$637,733.38 was submitted to the council for approval. William Krock, Jr. made a motion to approve the claims as submitted. Paul Shepherd seconded the motion.
Vote: Ayes 3 – Nays 0

Paul Shepherd made a motion to accept the minutes of the June 15, 2022, and the July 13, 2022, Executive meeting as submitted. William Krock, Jr. seconded the motion.
Vote: Ayes 3 – Nays 0

Town Managers Report – was given by Tena Woenker.

Town Manager, Tena Woenker, asked permission for her and Brian Carroll to attend the IMEA conference together in October 2022. Paul Shepherd made motion to approve them to go. William Krock, Jr. seconded the motion.
Vote: Ayes 3 – Nays 0

Superintendents Report – was given by Brian Carroll.

Brian Carroll, Superintendent, reported to the council that he has been unable to locate a very large water leak. It is consisting of a 40% water loss at approximately 3.7 million gallons of water. He asked the council for permission to hire M.E. Simpson to come in and try to locate the leak. The cost of this is \$6750.00 and will take 3 days but not to exceed 4 days. William Krock, Jr. made a motion to approve hiring M.E. Simpson for a total cost of \$6750.00 to be paid out of the water fund. Paul Shepherd seconded the motion.
Vote Ayes 3 -Nays 0

Superintendent, Brian Carroll, reported to the council that he is looking into adding onto the Electric Barn and possibly adding some offices to it.

Town Marshalls Report - Glen Wills was absent.

Fire Chiefs Report – was given by Chad Geiger.

Chad Geiger, Fire Chief, informed the council that he would like to update the software at the Fire Station. He received two quotes for the update. ESO quoted \$1395. per year and an additional charge of \$950. one-time for training. The second quote was from P.S. Tracks Company for \$2125. per year. Chad also reported that ESO would charge \$700. to finish out the year 2022. William Krock, Jr. made a motion to approve the purchase with ESO or \$1395. per year with the \$950. training fee and the \$700. to finish out 2022. Paul Shepherd seconded the motion.
Vote: Ayes 3 – Nays 0

Park Board Report – no one present from the Park Board to give a report.

Clerk Treasurer Report- Rita Grocock did not have anything to report this month.

Old Business:

Ordinance 1647-7-22 Establishing a Local Road & Bridge Fund for the 2023 Community Crossings Grant. William Krock, Jr. made a motion to suspend the rules. Paul Shepherd seconded the motion.

Vote:

Ayes 3 – Nays 0

Ordinance 1647-7-22 Establishing a Local Road & Bridge Fund for the 2023 Community Crossings Grant was presented to the council on the 1st reading. Paul Shepherd made a motion to approve on the 1st reading. William Krock, Jr. seconded the motion.

Vote: Ayes 3 – Nays 0

Ordinance 1647-7-22 Establishing a Local Road & Bridge Fund for the 2023 Community Crossings Grant was presented to the council on the 2nd reading. William Krock, Jr. made a motion to approve on the 2nd reading. Paul Shepherd seconded the motion.

Vote: Ayes 3 – Nays 0

Ordinance 1648-7-22 Amending the Salary Ordinance for the stipend for all members of the Plan Commission and the BZA was presented to the council. William Krock, Jr. made a motion to suspend the rules. Paul Shepherd seconded the motion.

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Vote: Ayes 3 – Nays 0

William Ley who represents the Town of Avilla on the Noble County Plan Commission had previously asked to be paid for attending the meetings in Albion or where they are located each month. Bill will notify the Town of Avilla Clerk Treasurer to be paid when he attends the meetings. William Krock, Jr. made a motion to pay Bill Ley \$25.00 for each meeting he attends. Paul Shepherd seconded the motion.

Vote: Ayes 3 – Nays 0

Next item on the agenda was to open bids on the 2007 Ford Explorer. There were 7 bids in total. High bid was from Bruce Ehret for \$3250. William Krock, Jr. made a motion to accept the bid for \$3250. Paul Shepherd seconded the motion.

Vote: Ayes 3 – Nays 0

Last item under Old Business was the Community Crossing Grant Application. Town Manager, Tena Woenker, reported to the council the cost of construction had increased dramatically since the original quotes in April and was recommending that we only do part of the work. The three projects consisted of 1st Street, 2nd Street and Autumn Hills Drive. They decided to only do 1st Street and 2nd Street for now. Paul Shepherd made a motion to move forward with the application for these two projects. William Krock, Jr. seconded the motion.

Vote: Ayes 3 – Nays 0

New Business:

Ordinance 1645-7-22 an Ordinance Amending the Text of the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Avilla, Indiana. Regulations for Commercial & Non-Commercial Solar Energy. After some discussion about the consequences of not having this ordinance in place Paul Shepherd made a motion to suspend the rules. William Krock, Jr. seconded the motion.

Vote: Ayes 3 – Nays 0

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Vote: Ayes 3 - Nays 0

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Vote: Ayes 3 – Nays 0

Ordinance 1646-7-22 an Ordinance Amending the Text of the Zoning Ordinance of the Town of Avilla, Indiana. This ordinance is to Design Guidelines for Central Business Historic District Overlay. After some discussion about what this ordinance entails for our downtown business district William Krock, Jr. made a motion to suspend the rules. Paul Shepherd seconded the motion.

Vote: Ayes 3- Nays 0

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Vote: Ayes 3 – Nays 0

Next item on the agenda was the CEDIT four-year plan for the years 2022-2025. A motion was made by Paul Shepherd to approve the plan. William Krock, Jr. seconded the motion.

Vote: Ayes 3 – Nays 0

Superintendent, Brian Carroll, presented to the council the Sewer Areation bids that were received. There were only three bids received. Cleanfusion LLC bid was for \$368,500., Zachrich Construction bid was for \$823,770. and R.E. Crosby bid \$816,416. William Krock, Jr. made a motion to accept the bid from Cleanfusion for \$368,500. and to allow Philip Puckett, Jr. to sign the contract when it becomes available. Paul Shepherd seconded the motion.

Vote: Ayes 3 – Nays 0

A proposal for additional services from Engineering Resources for the East Industrial Park was presented to the council. The additional services are for plan modifications for a total cost of \$19,700. William Krock, Jr. made a motion to accept the additional charge of \$19,700. To be paid out of CEDIT. Paul Shepherd seconded the motion.

Vote: Ayes 3 – Nays 0

Town Manager, Tena Woenker, reported to the council she is working on a READI Grant to help Granite Ridge help pay for infrastructure for Orchard Valley Subdivision and the new subdivision behind the Funeral Home here in Avilla. She hopes to have more information for the August 2022 meeting.

Open Discussion:

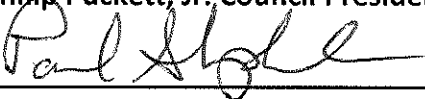
Kevin Kelly inquired as to why the Park Board is on the agenda each month and never has a representative available to give a report.

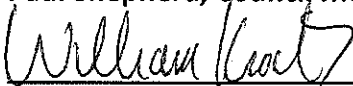
With no further business to conduct for the evening William Krock, Jr. made a motion to adjourn at 7:32 P.M. Paul Shepherd seconded the motion.

Vote: Ayes 3 – Nays 0

AVILLA TOWN COUNCIL


Philip Puckett, Jr. Council President


Paul Shepherd, Council Member


William Krock, Jr., Council Member

ATTEST:


Rita Grocock Clerk -Treasurer