

August 16, 2023

**TOWN OF AVILLA
AVILLA TOWN COUNCIL
MEETING**

108 S. Main St. Avilla, IN 46710

THOSE PRESENT: Phil Puckett, Bill Krock, Rita Grocock, Paul Shepherd, Kevin Kelly, Andy Uhl, Kierston Wright, Glen Wills, Chad Rayle, Brian Carroll, Julia Dunlap, Adam Dunlap, Ann Koons, Chad Geiger, Chris Arnett, Brandon Depoy, Matt Getts, Michael Hensinger.

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

Claims in the amount of \$796,904.12 were 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 July 19, 2023 meetings as submitted. William Krock, Jr. seconded the motion.
Vote: Ayes 3 – Nays 0

Councilman, Paul Shepherd, appointed Adam Dunlap to the BZA, Plan Commission, and the Redevelopment Boards. William Krock, Jr. seconded the appointment.
Vote: Ayes 3 – Nays 0

Town Managers Report – Adam Dunlap gave his report for the month.

Superintendent's Report – Brian Carroll gave his report for the month.

Brian Carroll, Superintendent, asked the council for permission to purchase two water sampling stations. The cost of the stations is \$3460.25 for both. After some discussion Paul Shepherd made a motion to approve the purchase. William Krock, Jr. seconded the motion.
Vote: Ayes 3 – Nays 0

Town Marshalls Report – Glen Wills gave his report for the month.

Glen Wills, Town Marshall, asked the council for permission to purchase new radios for his officers from First Due Communications for a total cost of \$25,670.00, for ten radios. Glen indicated that the radios that they currently are using will be obsolete on 12/31/2023. Paul Shepherd made a motion to approve the purchase to be paid out of the Police Radio appropriation and Public Safety. William Krock, Jr. seconded the motion.
Vote: Ayes 3 – Nays 0

Fire Chiefs Report – Fire Chief Chad Geiger gave his report for the month.

Chad Geiger, Fire Chief, reported to the council that he received an invoice from PMC Computers to complete the door installation at the Fire Station for \$5479.35. This was higher than they initially quoted, and they said it was for labor that they were not able to quote. After some discussion William Krock, Jr. made a motion to approve the payment to PMC for \$5479.35. Paul Shepherd seconded the motion.
Vote: Ayes 3 – Nays 0

Fire chief, Chad Geiger, reported to the council that on September 9, 2023 the police and the fire department will be hosting a BBQ fund raiser. Chad was asking for permission to close down Washington Street from Lewis Street to Chestnut Street for the event from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Paul Shepherd made a motion to approve the road closure for the event. William Krock, Jr. seconded the motion.

Vote: Ayes 3 – Nays 0

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

Clerk Treasurer's Report – Rita Grocock, indicated that she did not have anything.

New Business:

Ordinance 1644-5-22 an ordinance regulating parking on Prairie Cove and Autumn Hills Drive was brought back up to the council because there is a parking problem on Prairie Cove since one side of the street was closed to parking in 2022. After much discussion as to what the problem is, Paul Shepherd made a motion to table it for now until this can be further investigated. William Krock, Jr. seconded the motion.

Vote: Ayes 3 – Nays 0

Next item on the agenda was the renewal of the employee health insurance for 2024. The cost to maintain the current insurance policy through PHP Insurance is \$48,464.31 per month. William Krock, Jr. made a motion to approve the new policy and cost. Paul Shepherd seconded the motion.

Vote: Ayes 3 – Nays 0

Last item under new business for the evening is a temporary parking restriction on E. Albion Street for a mural construction on the building. The parking restriction will be from 8/21/2023 through 9/1/2023.

Old Business:

Town Resident, Ann Koons, was present to hear the final decision on her fence installation. Town Attorney, Chad Rayle, reported he did not find a problem with the fence being installed but, Ann would need to hire an attorney to type of the paperwork for the town to approve and the cost would be \$1.00 to the Town of Avilla. Paul Shepherd made a motion to approve the fence installation once the contract is completed and signed by the Town Council. William Krock, Jr. seconded the motion.

Vote: Ayes 3 – Nays 0

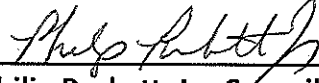
Open Discussion:

Town Council President, Philip Puckett, Jr. spoke briefly about making a donation to the Chamber of Commerce for 2024.

With no further business to conduct for the evening William Krock, Jr. made a motion to adjourn at 7:18P.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