

## **Minutes of the St. Paul Town Council Meeting**

**Held April 2, 2024, in Civic Center**

The meeting was called to order by Joshua Sangl @ 7:00 P.M.

### **ROLL CALL**

Council members Joshua Sangl, Tim Ray were present. Clerk/Treasurer Alyssa Hall, Town Marshall Josh Kuntz, Water Superintendent Les Day, gym/civic center rentals Richard Rampley and volunteer fire department Garrett Debaun were also present to report.

Josh Sangl welcomed the public and opened the meeting.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes of the meeting held March 11, 2024, were presented for approval. Josh Sangl made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Tim Ray seconded the motion. The motion was put to a vote and the motion was carried.

### **Town Marshall**

Josh Kuntz gave his monthly police report and reminded the public to prepare for the upcoming Eclipse.

### **Fire Department**

Garrett Debaun gave the monthly report for the volunteer fire department. Let the board know the generator is up and running.

He asked about the LOIT/Public Safety funds. C/T to get back with him when she gets more information.

### **Water/Sewer Department**

Josh Sangl and Les Day reporting on behalf of the water company.

- Josh let the residents know the incident regarding the water boil advisory was due to old equipment in the water department. New equipment was installed. Josh let the

residents know that due to the water boil advisory and some residents not being able to get that information via FB, he reached out to Brad Spear from the Decatur County Emergency Managements office and asked him if the county had a tool that could message the residents in an event such as “the water boil advisory” they have a system called CODE RED. If the residents of St. Paul will go sign up for notifications in the future an incident as such will go out on an alert. RESIDENTS MUST GO TO DECATUR COUNTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT SITE TO SIGN UP RECEIVE ANY EMERGENCY ALERTS.

- Les suggested we investigate a backup system a pressure gauge to help with the communication to the high service pumps with the tower and the plant to avoid having the same issues again. Les is going to look into getting a quote for this service.
- Discussed the angle valves and main valves that needs to be replaced, contractor has provided an estimate for the cost of those, the Ocra grant extension was requested and pushed back for a finish date of June 1,2024.
- IDEM inspection letter on March 4, 2024, was received by the town stating that there is some work that the town is going to be required to do.
- Sewer issue backed up at First street and County Line Road, the manhole at Dorsey and County Line Road needs jetted from that point up to the gas station, Les had contacted Jerome and call a sewer cleaning company, he made a few calls, no one willing to do it as of last evening. Will continue to work diligently to take care of this issue.
- The Town has two well pumps, one of them has decreased greatly, as a result Bastin and Logan water service came in and did a cleaning, they took the pump back to the shop don't find it eligible for rehabbing, the found a hole in the pipe and corrosion plus it's a 20-year-old pump. The pump replacement quote was presented for approval.

**Budget Approval:** Josh Sangl made a motion to approve quote for the pump replacement and Tim Ray seconded the motion. The motion was put to a vote and the motion was carried. Funding approved out of the Municipal Water Fund in the amount of \$5,449.00

### **Gym/Civic Center Rentals**

#### **Richard Rampley**

13 rentals for the gym and 2 for the civic center. Discussed the stage needing repairs.

### **CLERK TREASURER**

- Presented accounts Payable vouchers/claims to be approved and signed by the board.
- Citizen asked C/T about the sidewalk program. Alyssa presented the sidewalk program ordinance to be updated for 2024. These funds come out of the line-item Local Roads and Streets. The sidewalk program ordinance was presented and reviewed for approval. Josh Sangl made a motion to approve the sidewalk program ordinance as presented.

Tim Ray seconded the motion. The motion was put to a vote and the motion was carried.

- C/T discussed the account adjustments upon her behalf needing approved and signed from council. Also discussed upon replacing meters in the system several accounts were flagged receiving water but never billed. C/T asked board how to proceed with these accounts. Ordinances to be put in place hopefully by next board meeting to cover these areas.
- C/T asked for approval for Brian McReynolds IT services to install a variety of software to protect the towns security. Estimate #1048 was presented for approval.

**Budget Approval:** Josh Sangl made a motion to approve the estimate for Brian McReynolds IT services and Tim Ray seconded the motion. The motion was put to a vote and the motion was carried. Funding approved out of the Racino Fund in the amount of \$1,500.00

- C/T discussed the water bills that went out 4/2/24 with the new water meter reads and let the board and town members know that the reads will vary depending on when your meter was installed. And if there were any questions the water office number was supplied along with any water EMERGENCY ONLY number to call as well.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

- Tim Ray gave an update on the ordinance group that he is interviewing and putting together to adopt new town ordinances.
- Update on the town's new website, Emily is still in the process of designing the webpage, expecting to have a nice fully functional web page upon completion.
- Duke Energy Light – Logan updated us and said he gave the lady @ duke Energy the okay to go ahead with the field assessment but has not heard anything back.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

- Council will be filling the new board position (Logan Wilders replacement) @ the next board meeting.
- Josh Sangl informed the crowd that SBOA is coming in on Thursday April 4, 2024, to start the official audit of the town, and we will update the town upon our findings.
- After carefully reviewing the mowing contracts the council agreed upon WmKoons Landscaping and Mowing LLC. contract.

**Budget Approval:** Josh Sangl made a motion to approve estimate #547 for WmKoons Landscaping and Mowing LLC. and Tim Ray seconded the motion. The motion was put to a vote and the motion was carried. Funding approved out of the Motor Vehicle Highway in the amount of \$13,800.00

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

- Mason Henderson gave an update on the St Paul Blast from the Past Festival
- Citizen asked about the condition on 1<sup>st</sup> Street- council is looking into it.

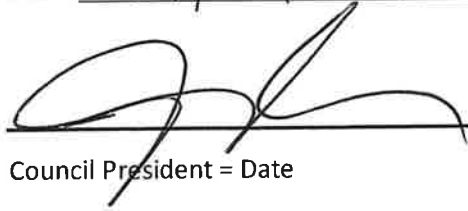
Next Board Meeting set for May 7<sup>th</sup>,2024 @ 7P.M.

The meeting was adjourned @ 8:19 P.M.

Town of Saint Paul, Indiana

Town Council Meeting Minutes Approval

Date: 5/7/24



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Council President - Date



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Council Member - Date

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Clerk-Treasurer - Date