

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Year End Business Meeting

108 E Randolph ST., LaPaz, IN 46537

December 20, 2022 6:00 PM

Council Members

Roger Ecker, Pres.

Ryan Young

Cathy Welch

Council Members present: Ryan Young, Cathy Welch, Roger Ecker-virtual

Council Members absent – none

Town Clerk- Treasurer – present

Town Attorney – not present

Call to order – meeting started at 6:00PM

Patrons: Steve Barber, Doris Barden

Approval of Minutes: Ecker made a motion to approve the Council Minutes from December 8, 2022 as written. Young second the motion. Roll call: Ecker-aye, Young-aye, Welch-aye. Motion carried 3-0.

Old Business: Christmas light contest winners; 1st place winner; Amanda & Shane Johnson 221 South Street, honorable mentioned; 208 Vintage street- Hank Weber, 102 Walnut Street – Cathy Mills and 104 Walnut street – Chris Nimon. Prizes were donated by LaPaz Diner and Mac's Market.

New Business: INDOT Authorization to Proceed: Ecker made a motion to approve the authorization for INDOT to proceed with the CCMG – LaPaz 2023-1 project. Young second the motion. Roll call: Ecker-aye, Young-aye, Welch-aye. Motion carried 3-0.

USI Consultants: Ecker made a motion to approve the contract with USI Consultants for the LaPaz 2023-1 CCMG project. Young second the motion. Roll call: Ecker-aye, Young-aye, Welch-aye. Motion Carried 3-0.

Opening of Bids: Notice was put in the Pilot News, Facebook, the town website and posted in the post office and 1st Source Bank for the sale of the 2000 Dodge Dump truck. The town received one sealed bid. Young opened the bid. The winning bid went to Alex Gallardo of Sunshine Landscape Company for the amount of \$1525.00. Ecker mad a motion to accept the bid of \$1525.00. Young seconded the motion. Roll call: Ecker-aye, Young-aye, Welch-aye. Motion carried 3-0.

Fire Contract: Ecker stated after receiving the old and the new contract, the payment from LaPaz to the Fire Department and the verbiage was the same. He then made a motion to approve the 2023 contact with the fire department and the township. Young seconded the motion. Roll call: Ecker-aye, Young-aye, Welch-aye. Motion Carried 3-0. Ecker stated he just received an email from the township advisory board asking if the town could pay \$1000.00 of the \$4,000.00 bill for the fire territory study. Clerk stated this should be on the agenda for the January 2023 meeting for discussion.

Financials: Ecker made a motion to approve AP vouchers for APV from December 9 – December 20, 2022 APV #s 3977-3994 in the amount of \$26,016.52. Young seconded the motion. Roll call: Ecker-aye, Young-aye, Welch-aye. Motion carried 3-0.

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Clerk Update: The clerk's office will be closed for the Christmas Holiday December 22nd – December 26th. The clerk received on December 16th lien payments in the amount of \$7,264.44. The clerk stated she will be filing a new lien on Meagan Brzezinski since she has vacated the home without paying her outstanding bill. The clerk spoke with SBOA regarding the qualified use of the OPIOD Settlement funds. She was told to hold the money for now till further instructions come from the government to clarify. The clerk told the board Eric Grubbs donated 5 tires to the police department for the Ford Explorer Interceptor.

Adjournment: Ecker wanted to thank the council members, clerk and the town employees for all their work for the year. President Ecker made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Young seconded the motion. Roll call: Ecker–aye, Young–aye. Motion carried 3-0. Meeting adjourned at 6:10 PM.



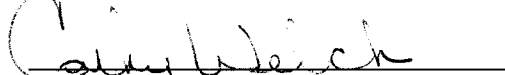
Roger Ecker, Council President

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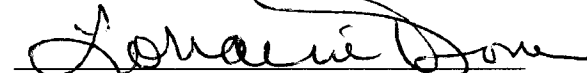
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Cathy Welch, Council Member

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Attested: Lorraine Dove, Clerk-Treasurer

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