

LAPAZ COUNCIL MEETING
MARCH 13, 2025 6:00P.M.
108 RANDOPH ST LAPAZ, INDIAN

CALLED TO ORDER: 6:00PM

APPROVED MINUTES: Meeting minutes from February 12, 2025 were approved as written by Ecker, Young seconded. Roll Call Ecker, aye, Young, aye, Welch, aye

NEW BUSINESS: no new business

OLD BUSINESS: The bathrooms have been started to be laid out. Banner started electric. Neighbor Ritchie was curious if the pole needed to move and at this time does not. There will be an underground line, hook up to sewer. Obtaining a building permit. Camera quote from ERS has been received and recommend for the PD to look through it and get back if this is suitable.

Ecker received letter for approved contractor for federal loan. Will need to submit to the state.

Council would like for the PD to enforce in place ordinances, and have noticed that one to address soon would be the trash cans being removed by the roadway.

Discussed Sewer shut offs now that the weather is getting warm enough for the ground to be soft. Tony will ask Bremen and or Plymouth how they do this as it may be a water valve shut off vs. the actual sewer.

PD: N/A

MVH: Pickleball court will have the nets put back up within the next few days.

There is left over salt from the winter and needs to be stored. Council has approved the street dept to get totes they found for \$25.00/each. Ecker made motion to approve, Young seconded, all in favor, Ecker – aye, Young – aye, Welch – aye

SEWER: Ecker brought forth that there is a panel on Walnut street that needs to be replaced and will cost around \$12,000 to get this replaced. Recommend to fund from the sewer. Ecker made motion to accept, Young seconded. Ecker – aye, Young – aye, Welch – aye.

PATRON: Also brought up from the street department, Town rain water is draining onto the property of 333 Vandalia street and has washed out the driveway and will flood the yard. The town does not have ample drainage prior to this location. Recommendation was made to have an estimate put together by Haskins Underground. Complaint was brought up to the council about a resident on Wood Street has been burning items that are not to be burned such as mattresses. This was something that was on a said burn pile for weeks prior to burning. Patron requests that PD patrol and enforce

no burn items in the already set ordinance. Also, has noticed more speeders and would like to see the speed limit enforced in town.

MVH has also brought up that according to the unsafe building ordinance the town needs to watch the recent burned house on South Street to be sure the owner gets the appropriate letter. According to word, there was no insurance on this property. Noted at this time if there are tires at this address they can be taken to the county for free.

ATTORNEY: Rec to pay the taxes on the ditch of the wooded property by the sewer plant. How do we plan to broadcast meetings come July 2025? Bremen HS has multiple OWL cameras that were purchased during Covid and no longer being used if we are interested. Yes, we are interested and Tony will reach out for a price. Rules will need to be adopted for the broadcasting of the meeting and they will need to be structured differently. There will be no free flow conversation allowed. Must function based on the agenda.

FINANCIALS: APV'S 5180-5214 dated February 12-March 13 2025 in the amount of \$59,021.65 motioned to approved by Ecker, seconded by Young. Ecker – aye, Young – aye, Welch – aye. Approved 3-0.

Meeting adjourned at 6:36 motioned by Ecker, seconded by Young,

NEXT MEETING APRIL 10, 2025 6:00P.M.

Roger Ecker _____

Ryan Young _____

Cathy Welch _____

Attest:

Jennifer Gilmer _____