

MINUTES-REGULAR

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

JULY 10, 2024

PUBLIC PRESENT: Charles Baumeister, Mike Harmon, Bill Cotton, Kristin Johnson, Kathy Hoffman, Cathy Crossley, Brian Davis, Vicki Davis, Nate Stanton

COUNCIL PRESENT: Jane Efinger-Hayden, Caron Crossley, Adam Hoffman, Bret Kleeman, Danny VanConey

Discussion: Jane Efinger-Hayden asked Linda Crawford to explain what we can do with the Riverboat Gambling. Linda Crawford went on to say it can be used for anything similar to Parks fund. Jane asked about the Opioid fund on the financials. Linda explained it is a new law and there are restricted and non-restricted. That amount is all we got but Tell City got thousands and we can use that for anything. Jane asked about the American Rescue Plan. Linda told her it was ARPA. Jane also asked about Google Work Space-Kara soft. Linda told her that is part of Marshal for the computer and it goes with Verizon. She said she knows that is not correct but she and Laira had a discussion about it. Jane asked where the "Employees Only" sign went. Linda said it goes on the door on the side because we've had people try to come in that door. Jane also asked in all three of the major funds and asked what it was for. Linda states she will have to look at it because she doesn't have a copy and she doesn't know off the top of her head. Jane asked if it was possible to get a copy of the Visa bill. Linda informed her she can request a copy of anything. She explains there are 3 Visa cards. One is hers, one belongs to Utilities, and one is back up for training. She informed Jane all she has to do is sign the paper and we will get her a copy and all the receipts go with that copy. Jane informs she has the update complaint sheet if anyone would like to see it, it is in the binder.

APPROVE AND SIGN: Agenda

MOTION: Adam Hoffman

SECONDED:

MOTION carried:

No one SECONDED the MOTION, Minutes and Financials were not Approved

NEW BUSINESS:

Employment Applications-Jane informs they have a meeting set up for next Tuesday at noon for one applicant. She will contact the other and see if they can piggy-back off that time frame. Right now, attendees will be Caron, Linda, Devin, Jeff, and herself. If the others would like to sit in on that then they can but they would have to call an executive session. If not, they can get her their questions. She also informs them before they decide, they would have to approve it at the next meeting. Linda states she did have 3 applicants but one did not respond. Jane said yes that is correct, no answer is an answer. Jane lets the board members know they should all have copies of the applications in their folders.

Chris Goffinet- Absent

TVFD, Fire department report-Fire Chief Jason Linne

TVFD Contract

Jane informs him they are meeting next week to move forward with the contract. They will clarify with the Attorney and get it straightened out.

Marshal/K9 Officer-Nathan Freeman-

Patrol Updates-ABSENT but Caron informed him there has been a couple traffic stops, no arrests. Jane asked Linda where we are on the bodycam. Linda said there is some paperwork she needs to sign. Linda states it's been paid for. Linda asked where we were on the cage. Caron and Jane say they don't know. Caron said Mike Dowland sent Nathan something they can get but they never heard anything else from Mike. Caron said she will try to get ahold of Mike to get some information or see if he can stop in. Linda states we can get someone else to install and be done.

Utilities/Water-Devin Meunier- Devin said as far as transformer goes, he doesn't know where it's at. Jeff stated he will report on it. Devin said he and Linda have discussed uniforms and set up a meeting for next week to get something figured out on that. He asked if they were good with the Tie-line Contract and if it was ready to sign. Jane said she has a few questions she needs to ask. The Town identifies calling representatives and alternate contacts who is authorized to make final decisions. He told her that would be whoever they want to give the authorization to make those decisions. Linda said to wait until they speak to the applicants and then make a decision. Caron asked for a copy of the Tie-line Contract because she has never seen that. Linda states she thought she gave her one. Linda brought one to her and Adam Hoffman. Devin said on the water tower, he did get the AWWA standards for that and its 72 pages so it's going to take a while to read. Linda suggested getting together to read over it because she thinks there's another one. He states there's one for coding and right now to get the inspection to just worry about the welding plan and once they get that back then they'll look at the coding one and to make a decision to look at just this one. Jane asked if they will find something wrong once its inspected? Devins states maybe not but it's been so long and the last one was in 2021 and it was just a visual outside inspection so this will be an internal one and will be more detailed. Linda said they will have to include a video to prove whatever is wrong. Devin brought up the Market Street apartments that had a sewer back up last month. He said he spoke with Quentin Mangum and there aren't any issues since replacing that section of the main going from a 4 inch to a 6 inch. They still have some 4-inch on that line but they can't replace it until they find out what is going on with the highway. Jane asked if he is wanting to make that a total 6-inch and he said yes. He said there are 4 apartments plus a trailer there using a 4 inch. Adam asked if that goes all the way up to the old Simpson property. He said it will come out on Spring Street with that and stops at the apartment's driveway in the alley. He said it didn't go up much further from where they stopped it now. He said they has another sewer back up on Walnut last night. It was a big one with wet wipes in it. He said just please don't use wet wipes. Jane asked if we have Mr. Mangum taken care of as far as bills. Linda informed her we have not received anything yet. Devin said Quentin is still getting some things together. Linda said when those bills come in then he can do the inclusion because he is doing the work himself and we just have to have him sign the waiver for conflict of interest.

Streets/Parks/Utilities-Jeff Everly- Jeff states the contractor for the Transformer is all but ready to switch. Jane asked if Jeff got the email she got. He said everyone on the board should have received it. He said we want to try to contact all the businesses and put on the website whatever time we decide on when the outage will be. Jane asked for a date. Jeff states he didn't see one. Jane reads email and it states the evening of July 17 or early morning hours of July 18. Jeff said he spoke with the guy at consolidated and the guy told him there isn't a good time to do it. Contractor is hoping for less than 10 minutes for the outage but they are going to tell everyone an hour in case something goes wrong. Jeff said maybe Friday we can make calls to get opinions on when they prefer. Adam asked what time are they talking for the p.m. Jane said is doesn't say, it just says p.m.

Linda asks if it will affect the whole town, Jeff answers yes. They decided to get preferences and consensus will determine. Linda asked Jeff to decide on two times. Jeff states 6 pm or 4 am. Jeff moves on to the decorative lights. He states he has no change on where that's at. Parks update-He asked if a parks meeting needs scheduled. Jane informed him to go ahead and do something with that trash can and Jeff informed her it was already done. Caron informed him it looks very good. Linda said the only thing that's new is Christmas lights. Jane said they were going to add some to the ARPA money and earmark some. Jeff states he is still checking into some things on the company vehicle fleet. He states it kind of on hold if that's what you want to call it. He reported before they closed the road, last Wednesday, the utility line that goes across the highway was somehow hit and brought down causing a danger. He went out with the bucket truck, Timba showed up, and they rolled it up on the pole that it was disconnected from. He states he doesn't know who hit it but there wasn't an incident.

CITIZENS-INPUT/QUESTIONS- Nathan Stanton asks to have a car show down by the boat docks to benefit Rae, who is three years old and is battling leukemia. He is just wanting to do a fundraiser. He states September 29 or October 26th. It would be the bigger part of the boat ramp. Jane informs last time there were issues with boats not having availability and access to the ramp and we cannot have that. He states that would not be an issue at all. Jane asks what time. He states 9-12 or 9-1. He is going to try to find some vendors who would like to donate part of their proceeds to the benefit. Jane asked for a plan, sketch, or itinerary. He agreed and will provide that. Jeff asks if they have to have an insurance policy. Linda informed him no and she would have to contact our insurance to let them know and if there is a cost she would let them know. But at the beginning of every year every function is mentioned in our policy so that it is covered. We also have to let DNR know.

MOTION: Caron Crossley

SECONDED: Danny VanConey

MOTION carried: 5 ayes; 0 nays

Jane informed him to just get with us and thanked him.

Charlie Baumeister represents the Perry County Animal Board and he apologized for not getting to speak with them before they received the paper in the mail. Jane informs him we've had it for a couple of months. He states what we received is a County Ordinance that has not been adopted. He was given the task to come before our board to see if there is a way to incorporate some of the wording into our ordinance from 1993. He states its very vague and different law enforcement agencies have different rules and are trying to get everyone on the same page regarding the enforcement. He states the new one is more in detail. He said the state has a state statute that you can't have a county or city ordinance about having licensing animals so they will delete that for the time being because they're going to look at doing away the one with the statute. It would fall back to the counties for the ordinance. They are more concerned about the enforcement part that town marshal enforces the same laws that Tell City, Cannelton, and the same thing out in the county. The other thing is his board doesn't have a representative from our town. He states he and Linda discussed it and they are wanting to present that to the county, make a list, take it to the county, and incorporate it in the Ordinance. He said we should have some representation on his board. Jane asked how do we go about doing that. He said basically, you write up the list of things you would like to see in this Ordinance, get with me. Jane said no, no, how do we get representation? He said the commissioners will have to approve that because the board is set up by the commissioner but we can add and once that is added your group here, because I'm appointed by the City Council of Tell City, they have a gentleman's that's appointed by Cannelton, and there are 3 other board members. One is involved with an animal group, one is involved with a cattle association and in

that ordinance it talks about the description of the members and they would just add one from Troy. He states its just a working plan and hasn't been voted on or anything. Jane asked Linda if it was still in our Attorney's hands. Linda informed her there is a note from our attorney to Mr. Foster who was supposed to have gotten us this a month ago and we just have not heard back from him. Charlie states this is the one written for the county back in 2000 and our attorney, Chris Goffinet, actually wrote it. He states different attorneys have discussed it and it's a working document and would appreciate any suggestions we have with it. He said he isn't familiar with our issues with animals here in Troy. He heard back from Tell City and Cannelton and right now the big thing is cats. Jane states everyone is in agreement with that. He states until he has someone appointed from this board then he will keep us up to date. Linda states the appointed person does not have to be a board member but can be a board member. She states the board always has to be an odd number so putting Troy on there will make it an even number so she is thinking they may have to find another person. Charlie said there is a possibility that one of the members is stepping off so they aren't filling that position so they would have the odd number. Jane asks why they wouldn't want to be represented too? He states she is representing one of the animal groups and they could eliminate one of those in the ordinance but the 3 entities should have representatives and the county appoints 2 people, one at large which is Tonya Rankin and Adam Fischer represents the cattlemen. Becky Thorn sits on the board as ducks unlimited but there is a conflict with her being on the board because anything we take to the commissioner, she has to abstain from and then it's a one, one vote. He states there is not a deadline.

Jane asked Jeff if there was a statement made when all the solid waste stuff going on that Troy does not have representation on that board? Jeff states he can't think if there was then he wouldn't know who it would be. She then asked Linda. Linda states there is a problem and she thinks we should involve our attorney to get answers.

Brian Davis asked when the next zoning meeting is. Linda informed him those meetings are only as needed. She informed him he is setting up a business so there are several things that need to be discussed and letters sent that usually take about 2 weeks. She states she will send him a letter. He states he drew up something the way he wants to do it and he spoke with Devin on how to do the water lines. Linda asked if he was still wanting to do cabins, he said yes it will be 5 cabins and 4 RV spots. Linda asked if he addressed how people would get to them and leave. He states you will come in on Walnut Street and come off Market Street. He states it was messed up on how it was laid out so he got with the court house to try to get it resolved. Linda asked if she could make copies of his map. He states yes. He also asked about his electric bill. He states his electric bill on 2 properties he just bought and the bills were \$100 each. He went in each property and left only one light on without ac and there was only an \$8 difference on the bills. He there isn't any water on the one place and is a \$90 bill. Devin informed him to get with him this week and they can look into it. Devin states we have minimums but he would have to look into it and figure out what is going on. Brian said the apartment he put in and has everything running and its only \$117. He was informed we will get in touch with him.

JANE EFINGER-HAYDEN said from what she understood IMPA didn't want to join the Pick Perry IMPA day together? Jeff states that Dierk from IMPA informed him. Jane told him they would have to shoot us some more dates and we'll get back with him. She states next month is August so we need to get together about Pick Perry in September. Jane states we need to change the utility ordinance tonight. Linda apologized and states she thought that was the agreement with Tell City. She states she saw the hard copy but never received the

email but she needs it to send to our attorney. Caron informs her this is the new construction ordinance where the town pays for so much but beyond a certain point, it's on the customer. Linda states the wording on the ordinance is a little strewn on what's an emergency. Jane said she doesn't think the wording is a sticking point, it's just the amount was too high. Linda states our credit cards have \$10,000 limit. She states we can change it, mark it up the way you want it and we can change it. Caron states if something were an emergency, she wouldn't care to receive a phone call that says, hey we need this. But that is just her personal opinion. Linda states they can eliminate the ordinance all together and just tell the employees to give a call anytime they are called out. Jane informed Linda to get us an addendum for next month. Jane states Yeehaw for the Independence Day Celebration and thanked anyone who had any involvement. National Night Out was just announced and is Tuesday, August 6. Linda states Troy Fire Dept always takes their bouncy house and they could take their tent and sit there. Linda states the Fire Dept has always attended. Jane told Caron to add Nathan on that. They discussed different options on what could provide/take.

CARON CROSSLEY- Caron states demolition started on the Spring Street home which is the Moseby property. GN Excavating came in and completed everything. The garage and shed are the only things left on the property. Jeff suggested making a motion to continue with the garage and shed. Jane informs him they can proceed but right now they've done all they can legally do. Linda states we budgeted for these things and it has taken 75% of our money and our attorney is working on how we get our money back.

BRET KLEEMAN-He asks what is going on with the shelter. Linda states they came and picked up all the supplies and they spoke with Jane and told her we would get 100% of our money back or leave it in a bucket and use it when they do come back. Linda states we're looking at a layout. Linda states they have the Parks department doing it and will want to get a group together to look at it. Bret asks who is on the Parks Board. Linda states the board last year was Roger Fella, Amy Schaefer, herself, and two other people. She said it's just like the Zoning. You get together, tell them what you want to do, and then the board says yes or no. Bret moves on to the boat dock. Brandon wants to get away from the boat dock so the town needs to take that over. She states that was on her agenda for budget because they didn't know where the money was coming from and is now starting to deplete because of the repairs. Bret states we haven't had any repairs. Jeff states the bearings were replaced. Bret said we haven't gotten a bill for that so we can't say its completed. He said the boat dock money is gone and was used to rip rap and everything else. He said the rip rap should have gone through the DNR. Linda said they have emails from DNR and Bucky did come in to get permission to get things for the boat dock. Bret said yes, we used some of the money from the donation box. Linda cut him off and said we don't know anything about the donation box. Bret said the money was spent from that. Linda said she doesn't know anything about the donation box. Bret said no one has been stealing from the donation box and Angie has the money in a safe if anyone wants to talk to her about it. Linda states there is an appropriation for the boat dock in the town. That boat dock is owned by the town and all money should go through the town and as a matter of fact they weren't going to bring it up until next month when Chris Goffinet is here to get an approved ordinance to put that money in the town where it's supposed to be. You can't spend money that hasn't been appropriated. Bret states that's why Brandon wants to get away from that. Linda told him they already have a place to store the boat dock. Bret asked where will it be stored. Linda said she doesn't know she was just told there was a place. Bret asked Jeff were and he put his arms up and said down in that field or the one next to you (Bret). Jeff informed him we do have property. Jane asked Jeff if that is something they can do is pull the boat dock in and out. Linda cut in and said no, I think it's a much bigger job. Bret said Pudder is the only person

from the town that's been there to help them with that. Linda states bidding it out would be an appropriate way to handle that because nobody should have to do that. Someone asked if there was something in the budget for the boat dock? Linda said yes, everything that we own has to be appropriated. That boat dock is owned by the town and has a file on when it was built and all that. Bret asked if there was something in the financials on the boat dock. Jane state yes on the first page of the fund report. Maybe, Kristin Johnson asked, if the money that is put into the donation box is put into one big pot to be ear marked for the ramp. Linda said she doesn't know where that box came from because it wasn't approved by the board and the thing of it is we have to get the box approved and we have to get that money appropriated. Bret said Brandon got a \$100 donation and the person told him they wanted it to go into the boat dock fund and nowhere else in the town. Jane informed him that's the only place it can go and only a bonded person could take it out. Jane told Devin they want to get him bonded for the water salesman. Linda states its only about \$60 and it's in our best interest to get both Devin and Jeff bonded so Devin can do water salesman and Jeff can do the boat dock or parks. Jane wanted to publicly thank Bret for all the years that they have taken care of the boat dock. Linda asked Bret if it is his opinion that we need to buy a whole new dock. He said no, it just needs some more repair. Caron asked what if we ear mark money from the ARPA money to replace the wheels. Bret said we replaced 2 of the wheels but one failed already. He said the people are going to be getting some heavier bearings. Kristin states she picked the bearings up and she thinks they cost \$100. Linda states to remember it's also in the general fund and is appropriated every year. Bret said this time it was \$1000 in total to cover all repairs. Linda asked if we budgeted \$5000 would that cover it? Bret said that would be more than enough. Caron asked if Linda would be doing that when the budget stuff is brought up. Linda said one of the things we want to use ARPA for is stuff we can't get budgeted and we can get this budgeted. Jane asked will we get it, though? Linda said, well we've never been turned down. She said we'll use back up plan ARPA if we don't get. Jane states she wants to put some money into ARPA for that boat dock because it's vital to this town. Kristin said she heard from a reliable man that used to work for an asphalt company that it needs to be sealed because it's all cracked. Someone asked if that is town or DNR. Jeff said DNR did part of it about 4 years ago. Bill states DNR has the ramp going down but Troy owns everything else. He said that may have changed in the last 20-25 years but that's how it was. Jane asked who has DNR contacts. Linda states she does and they would be starting from scratch an she can get those from her correspondence. Jane asked if it is in bad shape? Jeff told her the concrete ramp needs replaced. Bill states that part is DNR. Bill informed the board the spillway is very slick and he's seen people fall trying to walk over that. Jane asked Bret what about his road. Bret said they will be doing all the millings because Brandon was really upset. Jane asked isn't that a town road? Bret said yes but after the millings were put on there, he didn't want anyone back there because it made it hard to mow and weed eat. Jane told him he has to understand that's a public road. Bret said if the town wants to redo it then redo it but do it right. Jeff said he will go talk to Brandon about it. Jane said we can't not snowplow him because that would hold up liable. Bret said it's been like that for years and it's never been snowplowed. Jeff said we just took it over. Jane asked Bret if it would help to have a dead-end sign on that road. He shook his head and said anybody can come back there. Bret said it's no big problem.

ADAM HOFFMAN- Adam said he has a meeting to get videos and paperwork for OSHA training so he'll need to get a couple of flash drives. He asked bill if he's heard anything about the association. Bill said the last thing he heard was she's busy and plans to have a meeting in August and that's the only communication he's had. Linda said we have a town Facebook and she doesn't know if Bill knows this but she has been using our website to advertise her personal business like the thing in Spencer County. She said when she does that it makes Troy

liable. Bill said he doesn't know if that makes the Troy government liable. Linda said yes, it does. Bill said that would be Chris' call and he doesn't like being used for anything other than what the association is. He said they're trying to put a board together and that board should vote on what that is used for. Linda told him anything that's to do with Troy is good but when something is advertised under something else it makes them liable and she personally like to see our attorney send her a letter for cease and desist. Bill said they aren't incorporated yet and they're just operating on Facebook. Linda told him she personally has a 501c3 under Tunesmith. Bill said he's seen the paperwork and it's not done. Linda said when she went on the website and looked that it was purchased rather recently so she just wanted to let him know. She said she also has a copy of that. Back to Adam. He had an idea to put picnic tables down by the riverfront. Jane asked if we could do 2 or 3 just during the summer and chain them down. Jane also states some of the receptacles for electric weren't working and just wanted to give him a head's up. Back to picnic tables. Jane thinks it's a good idea.

DANNY VANCONEY-Nothing

LINDA CRAWFORD- Packet of Community Crossings so we know where we're at when we want to apply for that. Good part, we've got it, the bad part, we missed it so we won't have anything until January 2025. She said in order to add an alley, it has to be named. Linda said the next one has to be done and sent to INDOT by December 1st. Linda said we missed what we have scheduled for 2024 and if they want to do all of 2024 and 2025 let her know because we have to budget our quarter. They do 75% and we do 25%. Bret asked how we missed that this year. Linda said we didn't have this PAZER. She said it will open again January 2025. Linda said it looks like it's going to continue on for another 3 or 4 years. Next thing, Linda said we had an opportunity to evaluate our sidewalks in the entire town and there is a federal grant open for all new sidewalks. USI wants to do that and normally charges \$10,000 and said they will do it for \$1,800. Jeff asked what the match was and Linda said as far as she knew there wasn't one. She said if it was ok with everyone then she is going to have them get ahold of Jeff. Everyone was in agreement. Linda said they asked for a 2.5 million dollars bond for the transformer and are only at \$500,000 so Robert Reynolds from London Witte will be in next week to see if we even need to get that bond. Another CD is an option and he will guide us. She spoke to Devin and they are going to meet with safety specialists. She said Roger Flamion spoke to Chris Goffinet about putting up a 6-foot fence because he is having issues with Troy Market. It will be a vinyl fence to keep the light out of his house. According to zoning it is allowable and a letter will be sent to him to notify him of this. Linda said Robert Norris is meeting with us on August 1 to let us know what we can and cannot get. She said if there is anything someone wants added into the budge to let her know. Budget is the general fund. Policies and Procedures is done and will be looking at the first draft next Tuesday. Jane asked if we would have time to take it home and read it and verify its correct. Linda said yes. Caron asked when they could get a copy, Linda said Wednesday. Linda said once its approved, we get the hard copy to make changes to as we wish. Jane said with our contract, with the money we paid, we will get continued service, updates, law changes, etc. Linda informed her yes, all of that is included but if we need consulted, its \$175 per hour. Jane asked about the cop's grant. Linda said she spoke with Tara and nothing has changes and no one has been awarded.

OLD BUSINESS-

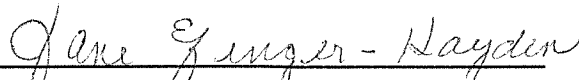
HWY 66- Jeff states they started yesterday and they're working quickly.

Jane said street signs will be recycled the end of this month. She also said she is going to call funeral home about cemetery ordinance.

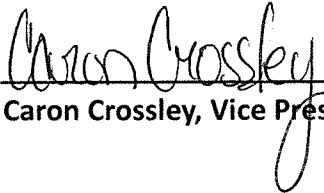
ANY CORRESPONDENCE-

Linda states she received an email from an environmental firm out of Indianapolis due diligence and had to send reports to them and spoke with DuWayne Johnson to make sure everything she had was correct. It was correct and was submitted to them.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, a **MOTION** was made by Danny VanConey and **SECONDED** by Caron Crossley to adjourn the meeting at 7:33 P.M., CST. **The next Meeting will be August 14, 2024 at 6:00 P.M., CST.**



Jane Efinger-Hayden, Board President



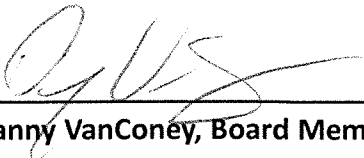
Caron Crossley, Vice President



Adam Hoffman, Board Member



Bret Kleeman, Board Member



Danny VanConey, Board Member



ATTEST: Clerk/Treasurer