

MINUTES-REGULAR
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING – June 16, 2021 – 6:00 p.m.

PUBLIC PRESENT: Citizens--Jane Hayden, Dan Hayden, Rick Smith, Dolly Smith, Bill Cotton, Adam Hoffman, Helen Kleeman, Kelly Hess-Ohio River Train, Richard Schauer-Sassy Brown Bluegrass Band

ZOOM: Colton Story-citizen

COUNCIL PRESENT: Roger Fella, Brandon Kleeman, Bret Kleeman; Secretary-Alisha Krutz

ABSENT: Linda Crawford, Clerk Treasurer

Called the regular meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. by Roger Fella, Board President

Agendas, Financials, minutes were distributed.

Approve and sign: Minutes, agenda, financial report.

MOTION by Brandon Kleeman

SECONDED by Bret Kleeman

Discussion: None

MOTION carried: ayes 3; nays 0

Roger Fella, Council President, read the “Concerned Resident of Troy letter” published in the Perry County Newspaper written by Adam Hoffman on June 7, 2021. Roger stated he took offense to the published letter and wanted to address the 3 lies referenced in the letter.

1. First lie about road pavement priorities when you, Jane and several others were on the board the “Pavement Asset Management Plan” June 2017 was signed by you. Do you agree?

Adam: I would like to see the documents.

Pudder: holding up the 5-year Management Binder – in 2017 Midwestern Engineering evaluated and rated all roads in Troy for upcoming Community Crossing Grants. It was approved by all members in June 2017. The purpose of this plan is to foster improvements which must be followed for 5 years. There are still 4 streets to be completed per the PAZER Rating check sheet. Several Board members roads in 2017 were paved because they were rated that way in plan. The remaining streets are:

- a. Market St. to Spring St. known as Camp Koch Road
- b. Walnut St. to Town limits which is straight up Troy Ridge Road.
- c. 500 block of Sycamore St. from Harrison St.
- d. Commerce Drive which is Hwy 545 to end of Commerce Drive at Consolidated.

When completed this will complete all roads assessed in 5-year plan from 2017.

Adam: Why were none of the alleyways involved in that plan? Who made that decision on all those roads?

Pudder: When you agreed to this plan you knew there were no alleyways allowed.

Adam: Admitted he knew no alleyways were allowed but neither were gravel roads. We were told that no alleyways or roads were allowed with the 5-year plan.

Pudder: Looking at 5-year plan checklist it clearly shows Sheridan Road as gravel PAZER rating 4 and Sherlock Road gravel as PAZER rating 4.

Adam: I have not been able to speak at meeting for over a year.

Pudder: When Roger came to me and asked about the paved streets, I told him we were following a plan that was started in 2017.

Adam: So Washington to Cemetery needed to be paved? It was the worst one in Town?

Pudder: That is your PAZER rating street.

Adam: I am not worried about the PAZER.

Pudder: Adam you do not understand you started a 5-year plan in 2017 that you are going to do the worst streets up on PAZER rating list.

Adam: How can that be the worst street when you have only owed it a few years?

Pudder: No, it was annexed prior to 2017 because it is in the 5-year plan assessment.

2. Roger - 2nd lie: Residents are not able to speak at meetings about their concerns. How many meetings have you been at that you have not been able to speak? We read through list of every resident that has signed in at each meeting.

Adam: Every meeting has been Zoom.

Roger: No it has not.

Adam: We have been denied admission to Zoom meeting during COVID.

Roger: Have I asked you what your concerns are?

Adam: Yes but nothing has been done about our concerns.

Roger: That is not my fault. You just said you did not get to express your concern but now you are saying your concerns were not completed.

Rick Smith: We tried to get in Zoom but were not able too.

Roger: Please wait your turn we are speaking to Adam.

Adam: Now see he is a citizen; you guys need to understand you work for us.

Roger: Sure do and we do the best we can Adam with the money we got. We do not need lies and criticism.

Adam: You think you do not need criticism from the people you work for.

Roger: Have I always answered all your question at meetings and after meetings if necessary?

Adam: I have only messaged you a couple of times.

Roger: Have your items got mentioned in meetings?

Adam: No

Roger: What are some of the things that we did not do?

Adam: The way the storm water runs off that hill

Roger: Did Jeff and I come up and meet with you?

Adam: Yes but still nothing was done about it.

Roger: So how fast do you think this should be done?

Adam: Well, certain people in this town get stuff done fast.

Roger: Who is certain people?

Adam: No explanation-I am not going to get in a discussion with you because you know I am right.

Roger: You know all these items are a lie?

3. Lie #3: Who is this business we are picking on?

Adam: Did you guys not get on Stanton's Auto Detailing on Hwy 66 for his cars sitting around.

Roger: Yes-they had several cars sitting there without license or insurance on them for years. Jane Hayden complained to me and I got it taken care of per our Ordinance. They got moved. I got it taken care of, Am I correct Jane?

Jane Hayden: Yes he took care of the cars.

Adam: Why does Jason Linne get by with the same thing?

Roger: Linne has those vehicles as part of his business.

Adam: Do not realize how horrible those vehicles make Troy look coming into Town?

Roger: That is his business and vehicles are part of his operations.

Adam: You guys sit here and say you want to make Troy more beautiful.

Roger: We have improved Troy; we have come a long way.

Adam: You send letter to people like this (referring to Rick Smith and Dolly Smith) and Jason Linne can get by with anything.

Roger: Yes and they have done a good job improving their property. (Referring to Rick and Dolly Smith property). We do not pick on anyone, we sent multiple letters to residents for Ordinance violations.

Adam: It is funny.

Roger: To you it is funny.

Adam: I have lived here almost 10 years

Roger: I have lived here 66 years

Adam: Same problems year after year

Roger: I agree on some properties but we have come a long way

Adam: I listened to anything and everything anyone said when I was on that Board. I took it into consideration what was best for Troy.

Roger: What did you do for Troy?

Adam: I came down here one time at 3am to remove snow.

Roger: You were not allowed to do that you were not insured by Town to do that.

Adam: You guys are picking on people

Roger: We are not picking on people

Adam: Ok but that property you are trying to clean up, Brandon, your business property looks as bad as Jason Linne. You cannot tell me all that equipment behind your business is used. Your business is an eyesore. You want residents to follow rules when you cannot follow rules?

Brandon: The business property has been cleaned up tremendously in the last 10 years. I have a business license which allows me to have the equipment you are referring to on my property.

Adam: Put up a fence around your property.

Brandon: Who is going to pay for that fence?

Stephen Poehlein, Marshal: It depends on Zoning too and dealer license.

Adam: I am on the Zoning Board, I understand that.

Stephen: The Stanton Detailing business did not have a business license. When I am told to enforce an Ordinance, that is what I am going to do.

Adam: You guys are telling these people to follow Ordinances and I cannot even have a project vehicle in my yard?

Helen Kleeman: We have lived there 50 years and we did not ask to be annexed.

Adam: Yes and you lived on a gravel road.

Helen: The road is Troy responsibility since it was annexed.

Adam: I was not part of the annexation.

Helen: Thank goodness.

Roger: Let's move on. One more thing to Adam Hoffman. I do not appreciate you harassing the Troy Board and Troy Employees. You say vulgar words to them, give them the finger, follow them around and take photos of them, holler at them. Do not deny it, everyone in town knows you do this.

Adam: I do not know what you are talking about.

Bret Kleeman: You yell and give me the finger each time you see me.

Pudder: Be a man and admit you give me the finger and say f--- y--- every time you see me.

Fire Department – Pudder Linne, Fire Chief, assisted Tell City with brush fire last month.

Town Manager-Pudder Linne:

Electric: Grounding problem outages- IMPA assisted with equipment (infrared and sonic) it was determined an issue with initiated fault load grade that grounded out with each rain. We believe problem solved. IMPA reviewing data.

Community Crossing: July 28, 2021 Bids will be opened for the Phase 2, Sherlock to Cemetery. Bob Tuggle requested this road pavement and it was incorporated in the 2017 PAZER Rating for the 5-year plan.

IDEM 2021 Sanitary Survey was completed. No major findings. They (IDEM) requested system inspection by an outside vendor. System was inspected and was certified by Mehringer's.

Grants for Water projects were issued June 9, 2021 for Hwy 545 water line. We must show plan for Water Tower improvements.

Met with INDOT, Roger, Bret, Pudder – Washington Street corner HWY 66 will be widened, we will partner with INDOT to fix runoff. Plan has been submitted for poles and electric. 2nd quarter next year (2022) bids will be opened for this project to start.

Roger asked about: Hardship Grant-State Washington Street, Hwy 66, 2 catch basins on State that go nowhere – Pudder –engineering new drainage line will be part of grant. We will not be out money on this project.

Citizen:

Kelly Hess and Richard Schaur representing Ohio Scenic Railroad (OSR): They presented the Troy Council with information and layout of Riverfront July 3 & 4, 2021 celebration on Troy riverfront.

Items discussed:

- Pudder will provide electric hook up as needed
- Troy and Tell City Fire Dept. will set off fireworks both nights at 9pm.
- The train will not block homes in Troy during fireworks.
- Streets cannot be blocked off for celebration.
- Dennis Palmer and Norman Poehlein have an agreement with OSR to use their property with restrictions as agreed to by OSR.
- Will not block Sharman Jarboe driveway.
- SynEnergy owns property next to propane tank on Hwy 66 and Washington St.
- Porta potties will be needed.
- No funds from Town or Troy will be used for this event.
- Beer garden location needed.
- Jane Hayden offered the use of her yard for band.
- Holiday weekend traffic control and security will be needed.
- Stephan Poehlein, Troy Marshal will work security and use his hours for Troy. If hours go over contracted 20 hours, he will charge OSR. He will get Perry County officers (3) to work security for this event to be paid by OSR. Rate TBD.

Helen Kleeman – Thank you for getting our road paved, it is very nice.

Jane Hayden–Thank you for moving blocks and string to keep off. Are we getting ARS money – how to use it? Pudder replied – his suggestion is for the State Hwy 66 complete rebuild, Hwy 545, Troy will be responsible for portion, 20% of project? No decisions or discussion yet on ASR funds of approximately \$80K

Adam Hoffman–Flags who is responsible to put it at half-staff?

Roger: May need volunteer. Pudder said bucket truck is needed to lower the flags.

Dolly Smith- Nothing.

Rick Smith–Washington to Protsman to Sycamore – no speed limits. Would like to get 4-way stop at park. Town residential is 25 MPH. Pudder: This will require an ordinance. We will contact Chris Goffinet to get ordinance written for 4-way stop. Rick: Glad to hear our property is better but there are other properties that are run down like the house (Martin) behind Post office. It has a tarp wall for years and house on Spring St. (Moseby) that has tarp roof for years. What about those houses?

Roger response: We have sent letters to all of the dilapidated home owners and some have made efforts to Clean up but this is ongoing.

Pudder – Linda asked me to present a few things since she is at dispatch meeting in Tell City.

- Ohio River Sweep is scheduled for June 19. Volunteers can sign up at riverfront at 9 am that morning. Trash bags, shirts and gloves will be provided by PC Recycling.
- Parks and Recreation meeting June 29 at 6 pm.

Roger – I feel we need to upgrade our Marshal vehicle and office. We should support him. He does a good job. The priority would be the vehicle. We can look into grants or financing.

Brandon – Nothing.

Bret – I think we need more weekend and night hours from him (marshal). We still have the Brown Jeep driving reckless up and down alleys. I fear the jeep will hit kids playing in that area.

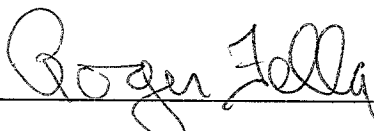
Marshal: None.

Correspondence: None.

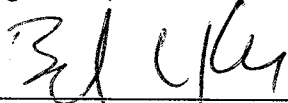
NEW BUSINESS: NONE.

OLD BUSINESS: NONE.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, a motion was made by Bret Kleeman and seconded by Brandon Kleeman to adjourn the meeting at 7:24 p.m., CST. All in favor. Motion carried. The next meeting will be on July 14, 2021 at 6:00 p.m., CST.



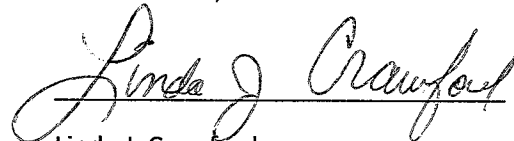
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