**North Liberty Town Council Minutes – April 17, 2023**

The regular meeting of the North Liberty Town Council was held at the North Liberty Community Building. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and Will Groves, Jr. gave the Invocation. President Randy Lemert called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

Town Council Members: Randy Lemert, Tom England, Will Groves, Jr., Joe Reed, and Gerry Brown, Town Marshal Utilities Manager Skip Davidson, Town Marshal Matt Wilber, Deputy Clerk Jackie James, and Clerk-Treasurer Vicki Kitchen were in attendance. Joe Reed, Jr., and Town Attorney Marcel Lebbin were not in attendance. There were nine residents, consultants, or service providers in attendance.

The consent agenda was presented for approval. Will Groves, Jr. made a motion to approve the consent agenda which included the Town Council Minutes for April 3, 2023, Payroll Docket #7, March Park Board Minutes, March Tree Board, and the vouchers as presented. Gerry Brown seconded the motion. All voted to approve. Motion passed 5/0.

Eric Ivory from Borden Waste Away introduced himself and Borden’s services when the next round of trash and sludge bids are advertised late summer.

Kelly Daube updated the council on the status of demolition of the buildings at 137-139 N. Main Street after the fire. She is not going to file an appeal for the condemnation. Town Attorney Marcel Lebbin explained the process if the building is not demolished.

Bill Newman asked for an extension of the cleanup and fence at 127 N. Main Street until mid-May. Discussion followed. Tom England was acceptable with the mid-May extension. will go there after the meeting to check out the property and report back at the work session.

Adam Wilcox, Barker Tilly presented the 2022 Financial Management for Water and Wastewater. Rates, revenues, and expenditures were discussed. Potato Creek State Park rate study should be ready mid-May. Further discussion to follow. A copy of the reports are filed with the minutes.

Gene Cruise from Surf Internet made a verbal proposal for some possible broadband rates. He will follow up with a written proposal for the next meeting. Town Attorney Marcel Lebbin inquired if they were under the jurisdiction of the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission. Gene Cruise stated they were registered under High Speed Connect Indiana.

Town Marshal Matt Wilber did not have a report. He will add information when the problem properties are discussed.

Skip Davidson distributed his March report. A copy is filed with the minutes.

No dates from the council members for their residence or buildings were provided.

The Potato Creek State Park utilities were discussed. Chip Thompson, Abonmarche, had previously dropped off preliminary plans. Skip Davidson will meet with Chip after this meeting regarding Skip’s comments.

The purchase of 102 S. Main was discussed. The current deed and survey of the two lots was discussed. Tom England made a motion to approve the sale of the property pending the current deed for $24,000. Joe Reed seconded the motion. All voted to approve. Motion passed 5/0.

Gerry Brown gave an update on the Tree Committee.

Problem properties were discussed regarding the 137-139 fire status update. An additional letter needs to be sent to 115 S. Main Street regarding all the vehicles moved from the street to the yard by the town attorney. Other properties will not be discussed if not listed on the agenda prior to the meeting.

The North Liberty Community Building and Real Services had a soft opening today of the North Liberty Nutritional Site today. Five residents were in attendance.

Broadband permits were discussed.

With no further business before the North Liberty Town Council, Tom England made a motion to adjourn at 7:45 P.M. Will Groves, Jr. seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

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Vicki L. Kitchen, Clerk-Treasurer