CLOVERDALE TOWN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES TUESDAY, JANUARY 11, 2022

The Cloverdale Town Council met in Regular Session at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 11, 2022, in the Town Hall; 154 S. Main Street; Cloverdale, IN 46120.

CALL TO ORDER: President Rick Dearwester called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG: The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ROLL CALL: Present on Roll Call were Councilmembers Larry Fidler, Rick Dearwester, Cindy Holland, and Greg Jay. Also present were Town Marshal Steve Hibler, Town Manager Jason Hartman, Town Attorney Richard Shagley and Clerk Treasurer Kelly Maners. Council Member Gary Bennington was absent.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS: Councilmember Jay nominated Rick Dearwester for President. Councilmember Holland seconded the motion. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

Councilmember Holland nominated Larry Fidler. Councilmember Jay seconded it. The motion carried with 3 votes in favor. Councilmember Fidler abstained.

Council President Dearwester publicly established the regular meeting schedule for the Town Council to be the second Tuesday of every month, at 7 p.m., at the Cloverdale Town Hall, for the year 2022. Councilmember Fidler made the motion. Councilmember Holland seconded it. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

ADDITION OR DELETION TO AGENDA: AIM Membership was added to the agenda. Councilmember Holland motioned to approve the agenda as amended. Councilmember Jay seconded. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

1. Regular Meeting Minutes December 14, 2021

Councilmember Fidler motioned to approve. Councilmember Jay seconded. The motion carried with 3 in favor. Councilmember Holland abstained.

CLAIMS AND TRANSFERS:

December:

General: \$94,629.35 Motion: Councilmember Jay 2nd: Councilmember Fidler Water: \$131,197.55 Motion: Councilmember Fidler 2nd: Councilmember Holland Wastewater: \$39,722.17 Motion: Councilmember Dearwester 2nd: Councilmember Fidler 2nd: Councilmember Fidler

All motions were carried by unanimous vote.

January:

General: \$30,592.64 Motion: Councilmember Dearwester 2nd: Councilmember Jay Water: \$1,130.33 Motion: Councilmember Holland 2nd: Councilmember Fidler Wastewater: \$32,454.96 Motion: Councilmember Holland 2nd: Councilmember Jay

All motions were carried by unanimous vote.

At this point in the meeting Diane Hubbard was introduced. She is a representative from Congressman Baird's office. She was attending the meeting to gather information on the things going on in Cloverdale and to meet with citizens to discuss any concerns.

TOWN MARSHAL: Marshal Hibler gave an annual report on the activities of the Police Department for 2022. He noted that 2 of our officers, Officer Warren and Reserve Deputy Fogle, led the County in arrests for the year. The Marshal also presented Reserve Sergeant Goldman with the Marshal's VIP award for 2021.

a. **KENT GOLDMAN VEHICLE LEASE:** The vehicle the Town is leasing from Kent Goldman was unable to be registered and licensed as it is currently titled. Attorney Shagley will research this.

FIRE CHIEF: Chief Shephard presented Council with an annual report from the Fire Department. He reported 76 runs for December, with 27 of those runs being in the Town of Cloverdale.

TOWN MANAGER:

- a. **DOE CREEK MEADOWS SUBDIVISION PLAN:** Duke Energy does have a plan for the lighting and is waiting to present it to the developer. There should be more information to present at the next meeting.
- b. WASTEWATER TAPS: Questions have arisen regarding whose responsibility it is to tap the Sewer main when a new customer pays to get sewer service. It appears the procedures have varied through the years, and the Town Code is unclear. A Special Meeting will be held on January 25th at 6 p.m. to discuss this further.
- c. SURPLUS FURNITURE/SUPPLIES/EQUIPMENT: Town Manager Hartman suggested to council that they declare any unused furniture and supplies left in the Building Inspector's office as surplus and allow us to get rid of it. If there is anything of value, Jeff Rich will auction it for us. A motion was made by Councilmember Jay to "label it as surplus after it has been sorted through". The motion was seconded by Councilmember Fidler. The motion carried by unanimous vote.
- d. LAWN MOWER: Tabled until February.

CLERK TREASURER:

- **a. REVENUE REPORTS:** Complete Revenue Reports for both 2020 and 2021 were presented to Council.
- **b. APPROPRIATION REPORT:** A complete appropriation report from 2021 was presented to Council.

- c. WATER AND SEWER BUGDET: A monthly detailed report for 2021 on the Water and Wastewater Enterprises was presented to Council.
- **d. CLAIMS:** The only claim brought up was the outstanding MacAllister invoice. Attorney Shagley and Town Manager Hartman are still working to get this issue resolved.

PLANNING/BZA: There were no meetings to report.

PARK BOARD: There were no meetings to report.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS:

- a. ORDINANCE 2022-1 Additional Appropriation: It was noted the wrong meeting date was advertised in the newspaper. This was tabled until the next meeting when it was properly advertised.
- b. RESOLUTION 2022-11 Encumbrance: Council decided to encumber funds from the 2021 budget to pay for existing contracts made in 2021 that were not yet completed or paid for. A motion was made to accept Resolution 2022-1 by Councilmember Fidler and seconded by Councilmember Jay. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

NEW BUSINESS:

- a. STARDUST HILLS HOA: David Fish made council aware that moon lake in Stardust had a dam failure and supplies to repair this have been ordered. This is the property of Stardust Hills.
- b. TOWN MANAGER VEHICLE: In the hiring resolution for Town Manager Hartman, a take home vehicle was promised. In the interim several surplus vehicles were sold, bringing in approximately \$10,000. A vehicle replacement plan was presented to council. It was suggested a truck be purchased for this purpose, so it could be rotated into utility service in the future. Kent Goldman with Andy Mohr suggested a Hybrid Ford F150. With Government concessions of about \$6,000 on hybrids, the price would be about \$45,000. Discussion ensued. A motion was made to give Town Manager Hartman purchasing authority for a new vehicle up to \$46,000 by Councilmember Jay and seconded by Councilmember Fidler. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

OLD BUSINESS:

- a. **CONFERENCE ROOM:** Two quotes were presented to Council to remodel the Building Inspector Office into a Conference Room. Councilmember Jay made a motion to approve the \$8,100 quote from Contractor David Ross. It was seconded by Councilmember Fidler. The motion carried by unanimous vote.
- b. EMPLOYEE HANDBOOK: This was tabled until the next meeting.
- c. TOWN HALL SECURITY SYSTEM: An updated quote was presented to Council to cover the Town Hall, Water and Wastewater plants, water tower, bulk water station and park. The updated price is \$10,175. It was noted that internet access is required at each location to use this system. The water tower site is the only place that does not currently have internet service. The quote included a wireless bridge to provide internet to the water tower site. David Fish with Endeavor advised that wireless bridge internet could not be used to transmit video. Discussion ensued. This was tabled until the next meeting. Clerk Treasurer Maners

will look into options in the budget to pay for this. Town Marshal Hibler will get with the company to make sure the police department would have access to the footage on their phones.

- d. GUARD RAILS: Nothing new to report.
- e. **ZONING CODE, ORDINANCE CONTRACT AND INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT:** Nothing new to report.
- f. OPPORTUNITY ZONE UPDATE: Nothing new to report.
- g. **PRIVATE DRIVE/BEAGLE CLUB ROAD:** We are still waiting on results of the READI grant application.

Town Manager Hartman made council aware of a campground that was looking to locate on 250 S. The County has approved this campground on the condition they can hook up to the Town's sewer system. This will be contingent on the DNR sewer line extension.

He also made Council aware that the Phase 1 Environmental Study on the old water tower site was complete and had been sent to the Redevelopment Commission. This study was paid for 100% from Grant money.

h. AIM: The annual cost of membership with Accelerate Indiana Municipalities is \$1787. Discussion ensued. A Special Meeting will be held on January 25th at 5 pm for a representative from AIM to present the benefits of an AIM membership to Council.

AUDIENCE COMMENTS: Don Gedert expressed concern that the Utility office was closed for the Christmas and New Year Holidays.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned by President Dearwester at 8:21 p.m.

Rick Dearwester, Town Council President

Larry Fidler, Vice President

Cindy Holland

Greg Jav

Attest: Kell Maners, Clerk Treasurer