

**TOWN OF
DAYTON, INDIANA**

TOWN COUNCIL

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**Minutes of
September 12, 2022**

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TOWN COUNCIL:

Jen Manago, Town Board President
Stan Kyger, Town Board Vice President
Ron Koehler, Utility President
Carla Snodgrass, Utility Vice President
Marc Buhrmester, Council Member

CLERK-TREASURER:

Board President Jen Manago called the meeting to order. In attendance were Council Members Marc Buhrmester, Stan Kyger, Ron Koehler, and Carla Snodgrass. Also present were Attorney Alicia Albertson, Town Manager Mark Harlow and Marshal Taylor.

Attorney

- Donation of land for Wesleyan Drive is completed and deeds are recorded.
- Change voting cycle to presidential year can't be done but can do midterm (even numbered) election year. Take under consideration.
- Move regular meeting to 3rd Tuesday of the month in 2023.
- Changes required meeting notice to match the state statute – 48 hours notice required.
- Abolishing wards.

Jen made a motion to remove the formality on the Abolishing of Wards Ordinance and do the first reading by title only. Stan seconded. Roll call vote. Marc – yes. Stan – yes. Ron – yes. Carla – yes. Jen - yes. 5-0

Jen made a motion to pass on first reading Ordinance 2022-9. Stan seconded. Roll call vote. Marc – yes. Stan – yes. Ron – yes. Carla – yes. Jen - yes. 5-0

Jen made a motion to waive the formal reading of the 2023 Meeting Date Ordinance - Ordinance 2022-10. Stan seconded. Roll call vote. Marc – yes. Stan – yes. Ron – yes. Carla – yes. Jen - yes. 5-0

Jen made a motion to waive the formalities and adopt Ordinance 2022-10 after first reading. Stan seconded. Roll call vote. Marc – yes. Stan – yes. Ron – yes. Carla – yes. Jen - yes. 5-0

Jen made a motion to waive formal reading of the Special Meeting Notice Ordinance – Ordinance 2022-11. Stan seconded. Roll call vote. Marc – yes. Stan – yes. Ron – yes. Carla – yes. Jen - yes. 5-0

Jen made a motion to waive the formalities and adopt on first reading Ordinance 2022-11. Stan seconded. Roll call vote. Marc – yes. Stan – yes. Ron – yes. Carla – yes. Jen - yes. 5-0

Alicia will make an Ordinance to create a TIF Fund.

The council needs to decide if the TIF should pay the town back for the expenses incurred in the creation of the TIF. Marc said he felt it was his responsibility as president of the Dayton Redevelopment Commission to ask forgiveness of that debt and explained why. Alicia will look into whether repayment is allowed.

Cindy Marsh 749 Shady Lane offered her opinion on whether the town should be reimbursed. Dayton taxpayers paid all the fees for professional services creating the TIF and now are being impacted with higher property taxes because the town's assessed value is less. With a smaller assessed value the percentage needed to make our levy has to be higher.

Discussion of possible TIF projects were discussed.

Fire Contract

The 2023 contract with the Sheffield Township Volunteer Fire Department is for \$29,070 in two equal ininstallments.

Jen made a motion to approve the 2023 Fire Contract. Stan seconded. Roll call vote. Marc – yes. Stan – yes. Ron – yes. Carla – yes. Jen yes. 5-0

2023 Salary Ordinance for elected and Nonelected Officials

The council should consider any changes they want.

Allowance Docket

Jen made a motion to approve the August 2022 Allowance Docket. Stan seconded. Roll call vote. Marc – yes. Stan – yes. Ron – yes. Carla – yes. Jen yes. 5-0

Claims Docket

Jen made a motion to approve the September 12th, 2022 Claims Docket on the amount of \$120,417.01. Stan seconded. Roll call vote. Marc – yes. Stan – yes. Ron – yes. Carla – yes. Jen - yes. 5-0

There was concern that Marshal Taylor's Crew Car Wash purchase of 50 washes was paying ahead and not allowed. Reached out to SBOA and they approve it if the council approved the purchase.

Approval of Reports

Jen moved to approve the April 2022 Appropriation Report, Bank Reconciliation, Fund Report, and Revenue Report; May 2022 Appropriation Report, Bank Reconciliation, Fund Report, and Revenue Report; June 2022 Appropriation Report, Bank Reconciliation, Fund Report, and Revenue Report; July 2022 Appropriation Report, Bank Reconciliation, Fund Report, and Revenue Report. Stan seconded. Roll call vote. Marc – yes. Stan – yes. Ron – yes. Carla – yes. Jen - yes. 5-0

Approval of Minutes

Jen moved to approve the following minutes: August 8, 2022 Utility Board, August 8, 2022 Town Council, August 31, 2022 Special Meeting. Stan seconded. Roll call vote. Marc – yes. Stan – yes. Ron – yes. Carla – yes. Jen - yes. 5-0

Marshal Taylor

- Railroad foot bridge. He's concerned about liability. Discussion followed.
- Yearly maintenance fee on old software continues to be billed but we're not paying.
- Surplus property – Old Christmas decorations have no value and need to be disposed of.

Jen made a motion to dispose of the old Christmas decorations. Stan seconded. Roll call vote. Marc – yes. Stan – yes. Ron – yes. Carla – yes. Jen yes. 5-0

- Budget considerations: would like to raise part-time rate from \$27 to \$30; increase insurance stipend to \$500; allow full-time deputy to earn overtime on weekends; Discussion followed.
- Would like the council to consider ordering a 2023 Squad car. 2015 has 70,000 miles on it. 2018 has 35,000 miles on it. We had a \$4000 repair this year on the 2015. He summarized his findings on ordering and pricing.

Public Comment

None

Council Comment

Marc thinks we should not renew the farm lease on the town-owned property so if an opportunity presents itself, we're ready.

Marc made a motion to not renew the farm lease. Ron seconded. Roll call vote. Marc – yes. Stan – yes. Ron – yes. Carla – yes. Jen - yes. 5-0

Jen hopes everyone comes to the Pumpkin Patch on September 25th from 2-6. BF&S is donating \$500 and someone else is donating Apple Cider.

Jen said Jim Knogge and Luna will be presenting for the next Dayton Discovery Series – she thinks on October 16th but watch the website.

Thanks to the donors of a Popcorn machine and a Cotton Candy machine to the town.

Jen Manago adjourned the meeting.

Attest:

Jen Manago, Council President

Minutes prepared by Jen Manago