

**LOWELL TOWN COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
FEBRUARY 26, 2024**

The regular meeting of the Lowell Town Council was called to order on Monday, February 26, 2024, at 7:10 P.M. by President Todd Angerman. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited followed by a moment of silence. Clerk-Treasurer Jill Murr called the roll. Members present were Todd Angerman, John Alessia, Shane Tucker, and John Yelkich; Michael Gruszka was absent. Staff present were Town Manager Craig Hendrix, Police Chief Jim Woestman, Fire Chief Chris Gamblin, GIS Director Greg White, Town Attorney David Westland and Corby Thompson, Krohn & Associates.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilman Yelkich made a motion to approve the February 12, 2024, Work Session and Regular meeting minutes, seconded by Councilman Tucker and carried with four ayes on voice vote.

APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS

President Angerman stated he had reviewed White Vouchers #11732 - #11782 \$376,822.53, White-Police #1186 - #1196 \$1,923.01, Wastewater #5148 - #5176 \$110,097.03, and Stormwater Utility #6207 - #6211 \$10,865.93. Motion by Councilman Alessia and seconded by Councilman Yelkich to approve the vouchers as listed and carried with four ayes on roll call vote.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Motion by Councilman Yelkich and seconded by Councilman Tucker to un-table the Boards & Commission Appointments – Historic Preservation Board, motion carried with four ayes on voice vote.

Motion by Councilman Tucker and seconded by Councilman Alessia to appoint Myra Harris, Julie White, Connie Schrombeck, and Charles Hamberlin to the Historic Preservation Board. Motion carried with four ayes on roll call. Town Manager Hendrix will reach out to Ken Floyd to see if he is still interested.

NEW BUSINESS

Void Outstanding Checks over two years old –Motion by Councilman Tucker and seconded by Councilman Alessia to approve voiding checks outstanding checks over two years old as presented. Checks not cashed include \$80.00 General Fund, \$1,085.00 Sewer Utility Fund, and \$533.70 Water Utility Deposits. Motion carried

with four ayes on voice vote.

Tractor/Batwing Mower and Forks with trade in equipment – Motion by Councilman Yelkich and seconded by Councilman Tucker to approve the purchase of the Tractor, batwing mower and pallet forks with trade in the amount of \$78,790.00 utilizing water operating funds. Financial Advisor Corby Thompson noted that water funds are being used to service those that paid into the fund; the equipment will be owned by the town. Motion carried with four ayes on roll call.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

President Angerman announced that the next regular meeting will be Monday, March 11, 2024.

MEDIA QUESTIONS/PUBLIC COMMENTS

Chuck Abrahm, Hoosier Media, inquired on the Declaratory Statement of Intent and the Developer Letters. Criag Hendrix explained the statutory process and will make the letters from developer's public.


Paul Panczuk implored the Council to consider utilizing a park impact fee for developers.

Paige Cripe, 231 Castle Drive, is not in favor of a park impact fee for developers.

Stacy Brown, 551 Timberlake Drive, inquired on the environmental document for the trail project. Craig Hendrix responded that INDOT has it, it is in review and not approved.

ADJOURNMENT

No further business, Councilman Alessia made a motion to adjourn at 7:31 P.M., seconded by Councilman Tucker and carried with four ayes.



Todd Angerman, President

Attest:



Jill Murr, Clerk-Treasurer