

**LOWELL TOWN COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
March 25, 2024**

The regular meeting of the Lowell Town Council was called to order on Monday, March 25, 2024, at 7:00 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 Michael Gruszka, Todd Angerman, Shane Tucker, and John Yelkich; John Alessia 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 Gruszka made a motion to approve the February 26, 2024, Executive Session, Work Session, and Regular meeting minutes, seconded by Councilman Yelkich and carried with four ayes on voice vote.

APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS

President Angerman stated he had reviewed White Vouchers #11852 - 11909 \$380,726.79, White-Police #1206 - #1216 \$9,919.26, Wastewater #5226 - #5257 \$127,311.87, Stormwater Utility #6220 - #6227 \$16,395.02 and Water #2018 \$20,995.00. Motion by Councilman Gruszka and seconded by Councilman Yelkich to approve the vouchers as listed and carried with four ayes on roll call vote.

ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS

Ordinance No. 2024-04 – 2024 Salary Ordinance Amendment -

Motion by Councilman Yelkich and seconded by Councilman Gruszka to approve the first reading of Ordinance No. 2024-04 and carried with four ayes on roll call vote. Motion by Councilman Yelkich and seconded by Councilman Tucker to suspend the rules to allow for a second reading of Ordinance No. 2024-04, motion carried with four ayes on voice vote. Motion by Councilman Tucker and seconded by Councilman Yelkich to adopt Ordinance No. 2024-04 and carried with four ayes on roll call vote. Motion by Councilman Yelkich and seconded by Councilman Tucker to put the rules back in place, motion carried with four ayes on voice vote.

Ordinance No. 2024-05 – Park Rules & Regulations Amendment – Dogs in Parks –

Motion by Councilman Gruszka and seconded by Councilman Tucker to approve the first reading of Ordinance No. 2024-05 and carried with four ayes on roll call vote. Motion by Councilman Yelkich and seconded by Councilman Tucker to suspend the rules to allow for a second reading of Ordinance No. 2024-05, motion carried with four ayes on voice vote. Motion by Councilman Gruszka and seconded by Councilman Tucker to adopt Ordinance No. 2024-05 and carried with four ayes on roll call vote. Motion by Councilman Yelkich and seconded by Councilman Gruszka to put the rules back in place, motion carried with four ayes on voice vote.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Motion by Councilman Yelkich and seconded by Councilman Gruszka to table the Farmer's Daughter use request, motion carried with four ayes on voice vote.

Motion by Councilman Yelkich and seconded by Councilman Gruszka 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 Yelkich to appoint Jason Eaker to the Historic Preservation Board. Motion carried with four ayes on roll call vote. This will be the forth member; one more is still needed.

NEW BUSINESS

Act on Unfavorable Recommendation from BZA - Variance of Use – 248 Commercial Avenue
Motion by Councilman Yelkich and seconded by Councilman Tucker to uphold the BZA’s Unfavorable Recommendation and deny the Variance of Use at 248 Commercial Avenue; motion carried with four ayes on roll call.

Motion by Councilman Yelkich and seconded by Councilman Tucker to allow the Town Manager to sign the application for the SRF low interest loan application for the Wastewater Treatment Plant, motion carried with four ayes on roll call vote.

Motion by Councilman Tucker and seconded by Councilman Yelkich to authorize the Town Manager to apply for the READI grant, motion carried with four ayes on roll call vote.

ANNOUNCEMENTS


President Angerman announced that the next regular meeting will be Monday, April 8, 2024.

MEDIA QUESTIONS/PUBLIC COMMENTS

Chuck Abraham, Hoosier Media, inquired on the SRF, READI grant and requested copies of the ordinances.

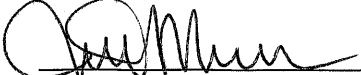
ADJOURNMENT

No further business, Councilman Tucker made a motion to adjourn at 7:11 P.M., seconded by Councilman Gruszka and carried with four ayes.



Todd Angerman, President

Attest:



Jill Murr, Clerk-Treasurer