State of Indiana Greene County City of Linton

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING March 11, 2024 - 6:00 P.M.

WELCOME – OPENING OF MEETING Mayor Preble opened the meeting at 6 p.m.

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

ROLL CALL

Linda Bedwell, Greg Sapp, Tony Richards, Ed Singleton and Leslie Newman.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion to approve the amended minutes from the January 8th meeting was made by Linda Bedwell, 2nd by Greg Sapp. 5 Ayes, passed. A motion was made by Ed Singleton to approve the February 12th minutes, 2nd by Linda Bedwell. 5 Ayes, passed.

APPROVAL OF CLAIMS PROPERLY SIGNED

A motion to approve the claims properly signed was made by Linda Bedwell, 2nd by Ed Singleton. 5 Ayes, passed.

APPROVAL OF FUND & APPROPRIATION REPORT

A motion to approve the fund and appropriation report was made by Linda Bedwell, 2nd by Tony Richards. 5 Ayes, passed.

APPROVAL OF THE ALLOWANCE DOCKET

A motion was made to approve the allowance docket by Linda Bedwell, 2nd by Tony Richards. 5 Ayes, passed.

NEW BUSINESS

A motion was made to approve the Mini Golf Course Lease with Gary White for 1 year. Mr. White was present, and Linda Bedwell expressed concern that last year the golf course was rarely open. Mr. White explained due to

personal issues he was unable to have it opened regularly. Mr. White has someone this year to manage the golf course for him. The motion was made by Tony Richards to approve the lease agreement, 2nd by Linda Bedwell. 5 Ayes, passed.

A motion was made to approve the Linton MX lease at the Conservation Club for 1 year. Mayor Preble noted that due to the Park Board possibly having other plans in the future the lease is on a yearly basis. The motion was made by Linda Bedwell, 2nd by Leslie Newman. 5 Ayes, passes.

SIDC award bids as follows for housing project.

LI-23-107	Brock Anderson Construction	\$36,700.00
LI-23-108	Brock Anderson Construction	\$21,100.00
LI-23-109	K D Mendenhall Carpentry	\$22,635.00
LI-23-110	Brock Anderson Construction	\$13, 250.00

A motion was made by Tony Richards to approve the award of bids to the above contractors and 2nd by Linda Bedwell. 5 Ayes, passed.

Mayor Preble added the soccer lease to the meeting. Linda Bedwell made a motion to renew the soccer lease for one year and was 2nd by Greg Sapp. 5 Ayes, passed.

DEPARTMENT HEADS REPORTING

Brent Murray, Operations Manager for the City stated possibly in the future he would need approval to look into addresses in the West End and 8th Street area. Resident Joe Whitehead does not have a physical address, only a PO Box. He has his property for sale and the potential buyer would like to have a physical address due to not being able to receive UPS deliveries, etc.

Mayor Preble announced that Colton Murray resigned as Fire Chief as of March 7, 2024, and he has named Eric Carpenter as interim Fire Chief for six months.

Tom Bailey from the street department announced that a culvert pipe will be replaced on 9th St. NW and the road will be closed. Linton-Stockton School has been notified.

Brent Slover reported that he had applied for and received a small grant from the Indiana Finance Authority to continue assisting the city with the land service line inventory project.

Linda Bedwell announced that April 20, 2024, will be Tire Amnesty Day. The first 4 tires are free, \$2.00 per tire thereafter, but the rims must be removed. Tires can be taken to the Switz City recycle center. Linda Bedwell also wanted to personally thank Colton Murray for all he has done for the Fire Department and to congratulate Eric Carpenter for being interim Fire Chief. She stated that Colton had done a wonderful job for the Fire Department and was sure Eric would do the same.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Beth Mason from Inergize Linton was present and announced that in February Linton was designated as an Indiana Main Street Community. Also, in February Inergize Linton presented an alleyway activation project to the IU Roll Placement Studio and was accepted. IU Roll Placement will operate as a project manager as well as helping with a detailed plan, design, budget, and timeline. The project will focus on the alleyway behind the Vault which is a high foot traffic area. Focusing on lighting for safety issues and a beautiful space for residents to enjoy. This is not a grant. Funding will be needed. Working on Mondays on Main again which was a success last year. Working on a Community Cleanup Day for downtown. There will be a public meeting on April 17, 2024, at Carnegie at 6:00 pm.

Craig Hendry expressed concerns over the Linton Police Department.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Linda Bedwell and 2nd by Ed Singleton. 4 Ayes, passed.

Mayor John Preble

Clerk-Treasurer Claudia Walker