

State of Indiana  
Greene County  
City of Linton

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
July 08, 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 was made by Linda Bedwell to approve the June 10th minutes, 2<sup>nd</sup>  
by Ed Singleton. 5 Ayes, passed.**

**APPROVAL OF CLAIMS PROPERLY SIGNED  
A motion to approve the claims properly signed was made by Greg Sapp, 2<sup>nd</sup>  
by Leslie Newman. 5 Ayes, passed.**

**APPROVAL OF FUND & APPROPRIATION REPORT  
A motion to approve the fund and appropriation report was made by Linda  
Bedwell, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Greg Sapp. 5 Ayes, passed.**

**APPROVAL OF THE PAYROLL ALLOWANCE DOCKET  
A motion was made to approve the allowance docket by Tony Richards, 2<sup>nd</sup> by  
Greg Sapp.**

**NEW BUSINESS**

**A motion was made by Linda Bedwell to approve the lease of the Mini Golf  
Course from Mr. Gary White to Mr. & Mrs. Daugherty for the rest of the  
year. Ed Singleton seconded the motion. 5 Ayes, passed.**

Mayor Preble stated the council was given a memorandum of understanding with the city and the Linton-Stockton band parents formalizing the arrangement of the bandstand. Mayor Preble stated the city owns the property and liability on the building. The band parents maintain and operate the building. Linda Bedwell inquired about insurance. Mayor Preble stated the city has insurance on the building and the band parents would maintain liability and contents insurance. Linda Bedwell made a motion for the council to approve the memorandum of understanding between the city and the Linton-Stockton band parents and was seconded by Leslie Newman. 5 Ayes, passed.

Mayor Preble stated that the council was given a task order for Commonwealth Engineering to look at for approval. This is \$20,000 contract for a 5-year plan to look at and deal with a water replacement plan. Mayor Preble stated that Sam Drummy has examined and approved the contract. A motion was made by Tony Richards to approve the contract and seconded by Linda Bedwell. 5 Ayes, passed.

The ISC Master Services Agreement which deals with utilities was presented to the council by Mayor Preble. Councilman Greg Sapp asked if this was a new agreement or a renewal agreement. Brent Slover stated the city had been one of a handful of municipalities that had not signed an agreement, the agreement is just a formalization. A motion was made by Greg Sapp to accept the ISC Master Services agreement and seconded by Linda Bedwell. 5 Ayes, passed.

Mayor Preble presented Resolution 2024-05 paid by ARPA Funds for the baby pool liner. Linda Bedwell stated that 3 bids were received, and the Tony Erdley bid of \$23,402.65 was the lowest with a 3-year warranty. Linda Bedwell stated that the bid was given to her in June 2024 with a 10-day grace period. She spoke with Mr. Erdly regarding the time frame due to needing to appropriate the funds, and he told her he would get back with her. As of the meeting he had not contacted her. The Clerk-Treasurer, Claudia Walker noted that the Resolution was not to exceed \$25,000.00. The motion was made by Tony Richards to pass the Resolution but not to exceed \$25,000.00, seconded by Ed Singleton. 4 Ayes, passed. Linda Bedwell abstained due to getting the bids.

Bill Keller, a Linton resident, was in attendance and spoke about the Conservation Club. He was concerned that it was no longer open to the

public. He said he thought it could be a resource that everyone could enjoy. Several other residents with concerns were in attendance and expressed their concerns as well. Mayor Preble stated he has been looking into what could be done regarding this issue. After much discussion and suggestions from the public Mayor Preble recommended that he take action and assign a committee to look at the whole project and to report back to the community regarding what could be done to the area based on the existing lawsuit and situation from the litigation standpoint.

### DEPARTMENT HEADS REPORTING

Fire Chief Eric Carpenter reported the department had 96 calls. There were 80 EMS calls and 16 fire calls. July 15<sup>th</sup> @ 10:00 am will be the ribbon cutting ceremony for the new fire training center. Mr. Carpenter said he had spoken to the mayor regarding fencing around the facility due to the building being a 3-level facility with a stairwell. Mr. Carpenter acquired bids and the mayor gave him permission to proceed with the fencing.

Brent Murray, Operations Manager for the city thanked Cheryl Hamilton, John Cotter and everyone for the work that was put in for a smooth 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade.

Councilman Ed Singleton wanted to thank the city for the flowers that were sent due to the passing of his brother-in-law. He also wanted to thank the mayor and Brent Murray for the quick service of cutting down a large hazardous tree in the northeast part of Linton.

Chief of Police Paul Clark announced the National Night Out at Humphrey's Park on August 6<sup>th</sup> from 5:30 – 8:00 pm. If anyone is interested in a booth or donation, he said you may do that by reaching out to their website. ([nno@lintonpolice.com](mailto:nno@lintonpolice.com)) There is no charge for a booth.


### Public Comments

Linton Chamber of Commerce Director, Cheryl Hamilton wanted to thank the City of Linton for the help and cooperation with the city employees during the Freedom Festival. She stated there are several communities that she knows of that do not have the good working relationship that the chamber has with the city.

Craig Hendry expressed concerns about the city council.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Linda Bedwell and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Ed Singleton. 5 Ayes, passed.

  
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Mayor John Preble

  
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Clerk-Treasurer Claudia Walker