LOWELL TOWN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING November 13, 2023

The regular meeting of the Lowell Town Council was called to order on Monday November 13, 2023 at 7:00 P.M. by President Todd Angerman. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited followed by a moment of silence. Clerk-Treasurer Judith Walters called the roll. Members present were Michael Gruszka, Todd Angerman, and John Yelkich. Councilman John Alessia and Councilman Shane Tucker were absent. Also present were Town Manager Craig Hendrix, Police Chief James Woestman, GIS Director Greg White, Fire Chief Chris Gamblin, and Town Attorney David Westland via Zoom. Also present was one member of the press and six interested citizens.

TREASURER'S REPORT - October 2023

Councilman Yelkich made a motion to approve the October 2023 Treasurer's Report, seconded by Councilman Gruszka and carried with three ayes.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilman Yelkich made a motion to approve the regular meeting and work session minutes from October 23rd, seconded by Councilman Gruszka and carried with three ayes.

APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS

President Angerman stated he reviewed and recommend approval of the following vouchers: White Vouchers #11249 - #11328 - \$513,951.32, White-Police - #1137-#1146 - \$3,907.55, Waste Water #4845- #4906 - \$309,836.30, and Stormwater Utility #6160 - #6169 - \$57,106.77. Councilman Gruszka made a motion to approve the vouchers as listed, seconded by Councilman Yelkich and carried with three ayes on roll call vote.

ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS

2nd reading - Ordinance #2023-20 - Additional Appropriation - MVH - \$ 200,000 - Councilman Gruszka moved to adopt Ordinance #2023-20 by name and title only, seconded by Councilman Yelkich and carried with three ayes on roll call vote.

1st reading - Ordinance #2023-21 - Additional Appropriation - PO Grant - \$2412.90 - Councilman Gruszka moved to hold over Ordinance #2023-21 for a second reading, seconded by Councilman Yelkich and carried with three ayes on roll call vote.

1st reading - Ordinance #2023-22 - create K9 Donation Fund Councilman Yelkich moved to hold for a second reading, seconded by Councilman Gruszka and carried with three ayes on roll call vote.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

WWTP Improvement Project - Approve Pay Request #16 - Bowen Engineering - release retainage - \$88.092.18 - and approve Sewer Voucher #4906 - Councilman Yelkich moved to approve final Pay Request #15 and Sewer Voucher #4821 to Bowen Engineering, seconded by Councilman Gruszka and carried with three ayes on roll call vote.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

President Angerman announced the next regular meeting will be held Monday, November 27, 2023 at 7:00 P.M.

MEDIA QUESTIONS/PUBLIC COMMENTS

Chuck Abraham, Lowell Tribune, asked about the extension of the water line to Lake Praire School and Mr. Hendrix stated Indiana American Water has not given a date when or if they will install. He will provide him a copy of the letter being sent to Indiana American Water. He asked about Nassau Park and Mr. Hendrix stated the project is moving forward as they had to follow town ordinance and subdivide the property but stated the project should begin in early 2024. Mr. Abraham asked about the K9 and Chief Woestman stated they hope to have a dog in January.

Isabella Dodd apologized for her involvement in the dying of hair in the Evergreen Park restroom and stated should was very sorry for her involvement.

ADJOURNMENT

No further business, Councilman Gruszka made a motion to adjourn at 7:06 P.M., seconded by Councilman Yelkich and carried..

Angerman, President

Attest:

Judith Walters, Clerk-Treasurer