

**LOWELL TOWN COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
JANUARY 22, 2024**

The regular meeting of the Lowell Town Council was called to order on Monday, January 22, 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 Todd Angerman, John Alessia, Michael Gruszka, Shane Tucker, and John Yelkich. Staff present were Town Manager Craig Hendrix, Police Chief Jim Woestman, GIS Director Greg White, Building Administrator Tim Henke and Town Attorney David Westland.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilman Tucker made a motion to approve the January 8, 2024, Work Session and Regular meeting minutes, seconded by Councilman Yelkich and carried with five ayes.

APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS

President Angerman stated he had reviewed White Vouchers #11577 - #11646, White-Police #1172 - #1176, Waste Water #5061 - #5090, and Stormwater Utility #6191 - #6196. Councilman Alessia made a motion to approve the vouchers as listed, seconded by Councilman Yelkich, and carried with five ayes on roll call vote.

PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS, REMONSTRANCES, PROCLAMATIONS

Councilman Angerman read the Perfect Attendance, 2023, list.

ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS

Resolution No. 2

A Resolution of the Town Council of the Town of Lowell, Indiana Approving Certain Matters in Connection with the Formation of a Certain Economic Development Area. (Beverly Estates Residential Housing Economic Development Area)

Resolution No. 3

A Resolution of the Town Council of the Town of Lowell, Indiana Approving Certain Matters in Connection with the Formation of a Certain Economic Development Area.
(Redwing Lake Residential Housing Economic Development Area)

Resolution No. 4

A Resolution of the Town Council of the Town of Lowell, Indiana Approving Certain Matters in Connection with the Formation of a Certain Economic Development Area.

(Kingston Ridge Residential Housing Economic Development Area)

Resolution No. 5

A Resolution of the Town Council of the Town of Lowell, Indiana Approving Certain Matters in Connection with the Formation of a Certain Economic Development Area.

(Stone Mill Residential Housing Economic Development Area)

Resolution No. 6

A Resolution of the Town Council of the Town of Lowell, Indiana Approving Certain Matters in Connection with the Formation of a Certain Economic Development Area.

(Sierra Ridge Residential Housing Economic Development Area)

Resolution No. 7

A Resolution of the Town Council of the Town of Lowell, Indiana Approving Certain Matters in Connection with the Formation of a Certain Economic Development Area.

(Spring Run Residential Housing Economic Development Area)

Resolution No. 8

A Resolution of the Town Council of the Town of Lowell, Indiana Approving Certain Matters in Connection with the Formation of a Certain Economic Development Area.

(Preserves Residential Housing Economic Development Area)

Resolution No. 9

A Resolution of the Town Council of the Town of Lowell, Indiana Approving Certain Matters in Connection with the Formation of a Certain Economic Development Area.

(Heritage Falls Residential Housing Economic Development Area)

Resolution No. 10

A Resolution of the Town Council of the Town of Lowell, Indiana Approving Certain Matters in Connection with the Formation of a Certain Economic Development Area.

(Freedom Springs Residential Housing Economic Development Area)

Councilman Angerman read Resolutions No. 2 to 10 into the record. Motion by Councilman Alessia and seconded by Councilman Tucker to approve Resolutions No. 2 through Resolution No. 10, motion carried with five ayes on roll call vote.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Tabled from previous meeting.

Boards & Commission Appointments

- a. Economic Development
- b. Storm Drainage Board
- c. Historic Preservation Board

Motion by Councilman Yelkich and seconded by Councilman Tucker to table this item until the next meeting, motion carried with five ayes by voice vote.

NEW BUSINESS

Motion by Councilman Gruszka and seconded by Councilman Tucker to Approve Release of Heritage Falls Phase 3 Unit 3 Maintenance Bond 7901022753 in the amount of \$13,587.75; motion carried with five ayes on roll call vote.

Motion by Councilman Yelkich and seconded by Councilman Gruszka to Approve Release of Heritage Falls Phase 4 Unit 1 Maintenance Bond 7901022756 in the amount of \$392,951.13; motion carried with five ayes on roll call.

Motion by Councilman Alessia and seconded by Councilman Tucker to Approve Release of Spring Run Phase 2 Maintenance Bond 2510790 in the amount of \$269,361.85; motion carried with five ayes on roll call vote.

Motion by Councilman Tucker and seconded by Councilman Alessia to Approve Sierra Ridge Phase 3, Unit 2 Irrevocable Standby Letter of Credit No. CL7687LC in the amount of \$111,439.56; motion carried with five ayes on roll call vote.

Motion by Councilman Alessia and seconded by Councilman Yelkich to approve the Territorial Agreement – Lowell and Crown Point - sanitary sewer coverage; motion carried with five ayes on roll call vote.

The annual compliance with Nepotism Policy was signed by all five councilmembers.

Motion by Councilman Gruszka and seconded by Councilman Allesia to approve annual professional agreement with McMahon & Associates; motion carried with five ayes on roll call vote.

Motion by Councilman Gruszka and seconded by Councilman Yelkich for the Clerk-

Treasurer to invest excess funds during 2024; motion carried with five ayes on roll call vote.

Motion by Councilman Alessia and seconded by Councilman Tucker to appoint Clerk-Treasurer Jill Murr, Councilman Gruszka, and Councilman Yelkich to the committee to disburse 2023 hotel/motel tax funds and set deadline for requests as April 2, 2024; motion carried with five ayes on voice vote.

Motion by Councilman Yelkich and seconded by Councilman Gruszka to approve 2023 Encumbrances into 2024 Budget; motion carried with five ayes on roll call vote.

ANNOUNCEMENTS


President Angerman announced the next regular meeting will be held on Monday, February 12, 2024.

MEDIA QUESTIONS/PUBLIC COMMENTS

Paul Panczuk, 1019 N. Lakeview, commented on the Residential TIF. Nancy Frigo, Lowell Chamber of Commerce, announced their Sweetheart Spaghetti Supper will be February 9th at 6 pm.

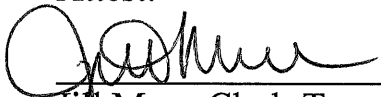
ADJOURNMENT

No further business, Councilman Gruszka made a motion to adjourn at 7:25 P.M., seconded by Councilman Alessia and carried with five ayes.



Todd Angerman, President

Attest:



Jill Murr, Clerk-Treasurer