

**ANDREWS TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES
OF A PUBLIC MEETING HELD FEBRUARY 28, 2022**

A public meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Andrews, Indiana convened on February 28, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. at the Andrews Town Hall in accordance with applicable law and pursuant to appropriate notice.

ROLL CALL

Council Members John Harshbarger, Laura Dillon, and Roger Newsome, Jr. were in attendance. Clerk-Treasurer Laury Powell declared a quorum was present and the meeting would continue.

APPROVAL OF COUNCIL MINUTES

Laura Dillon made a motion to approve council minutes for a regular session held February 14, 2022. Roger Newsome, Jr. seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

Trash Contract: Clerk-Treasurer Powell and Council discussed the most recent draft of the new trash contract with some input from citizens. Several changes were recommended by Council, mostly related to the Spring Cleanup and Large Item Pickup clauses. Powell will inform Attorney Hartburg of Council's wishes and will bring a revised draft to Council as soon as possible.

FEMA Buyout: Powell had no progress to report with this project other than Kim Hostetler said she inquired about an extension, and it sounds viable especially since the State took so long to get us the State/Local Agreement. The purchase agreements for four properties are still with the attorney's office.

Antioch MHP: Laura Dillon asked Colin Bullock if the new owner had contacted the Town again about installing town water meters and lines to each individual trailer. Bullock answered no. Water Operator Brian Cochran and Bullock said the mobile home park has new local management that seems to be handling the needed infrastructure repairs and updates on their own.

NEW BUSINESS

No new business was brought before the Council.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Police Department: Marshal Austin Bullock reported he and other county instructors have set up required trainings for this year. The Andrews PD should have most required training complete by May. Part-time officer Austin Johnson is now trained and on the March schedule. An updated police roster was distributed to Council. Bullock also said the attorney's office has his listing of necessary changes to the current animal control ordinance

Fire Department: Chief Tom Wuensch said the old fire truck is now listed for sale online with a price of \$40,000.00. After discussion, Council gave Tom permission to use his best judgement in negotiating a lower price if needed to make a sale. No one wishes to see the truck deteriorate while in storage.

Utility Department: Superintendent Colin Bullock said the utility department has repaired a water main break and cleared out a couple sewer lines. Wells 2 and 3 are performing well and still causing issues in the building with the air stripper which overflows the clear well.

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Clerk-Treasurer: Laury Powell said the SBOA required Fund Number conversion is now complete. She relayed Deputy-Clerk Julie Bowers has been diligent in collecting on delinquent utility accounts and has had a good response so far. Powell has ordered a new HP laptop to proactively replace the current one that is at least 10 years old. Finally, Powell said the Town Hall will be an Early Vote Center for the 2022 Primary Election on Thursday, April 28 from 12:00 – 6:00 p.m.

CLAIMS

Laura Dillon made a motion to approve the claims as presented, which was seconded by Roger Newsome, Jr. Motion carried 3-0.

OTHER BUSINESS

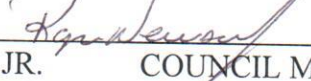
No other business was brought before the Council.

Laura Dillon made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:36 p.m., which was seconded by Roger Newsome, Jr. Motion carried 3-0.

Approved this 14th day of March 2022.

APPROVED BY  as
JOHN HARSHBARGER COUNCIL PRESIDENT

APPROVED BY  as
LAURA A DILLON COUNCIL MEMBER

APPROVED BY  as
ROGER NEWSOME, JR. COUNCIL MEMBER

ATTEST BY  as
LAURY L POWELL CLERK-TREASURER