## ANDREWS TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES OF A SPECIAL PUBLIC MEETING HELD JULY 28, 2022

A special public meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Andrews, Indiana convened on July 28, 2022, at 10:00 a.m. in the Andrews Municipal Building in accordance with applicable law and pursuant to appropriate notice.

#### ROLL CALL

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

Attending via Zoom were Steve Brock, Mike Kleinpeter, Paul Vincent and Eric Woodmansee with AME Consulting, and Attorney Mike Hartburg. Utility Superintendent Colin Bullock was also present. No members of the public were in attendance.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

Waterworks Project: Council Members met to discuss the SRF application for the Waterworks Project, and possibly applying for second round OCRA grant money to accompany it. Discussion ensued amongst the Town's engineering firm AME Consulting, financial advisor Steve Brock, OCRA grant administrator Mike Kleinpeter, and council members. Of most interest was the timeline (deadlines and requirements) for each application and whether its feasible to apply for the OCRA grant of \$700,000.00 to accompany the current SRF application. Andrews is currently ranked #47 out of 60 applications for SRF money according to Brock. However, after winning projects are funded, remaining funds are reviewed, and other awards may be given. Of concern is OCRA will require the Town to do the URA process again, and the timeline of events unfortunately does not fit in with SRF. Brock added it would be high risk to move forward at this time with OCRA. Kleinpeter also said Round 1 SRF works much better with OCRA. Harshbarger asked AME Consulting for their cost on final design and whether they can meet SRF deadlines discussed today. According to Woodmansee and Vincent, exact figures would require a week to research and set a timeline of their scope of work to meet the SRF deadlines and work within the Town's budget. A bond anticipation note (BAN) was discussed to cover future soft costs and final engineering fees.

After further discussion, Laura Dillon made a motion to move forward with the Waterworks Project final design. Roger Newsome, Jr. seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Laura Dillon made a motion to allow Steve Brock to begin the BAN in support of the Waterworks Project, and for Mike Kleinpeter to begin the URA work. Roger Newsome, Jr. seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

#### OTHER BUSINESS

John Harshbarger asked Council to consider the acquisition of the Lions Club property in Andrews and sharing the facilities with the organization. The current membership is low and not getting any younger which affects their ability to maintain the grounds. The Lions Club would donate the property to the Town of Andrews with the option to use the grounds and facility for ball games. After discussion, Laura Dillon stated she wants Mike Hartburg involved to craft a contract in fairness to all. All council members agreed this arrangement would benefit everyone and unanimously stated they were open for further discussion on this matter. Harshbarger will relay this news back to the Lions Club.

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John Harshbarger also stated that he would contact Andy Eckert to provide an update on the Waterworks Project. Eckert owns property south of Andrews which the Town has included as one option with this project.

Laura Dillon made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 11:25 a.m.

Approved this 8th day of August 2022.

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LAURA A DILLON / COUNCIL MEMBER

APPROVED BY as ROGER NEWSOME, JR. COUNCIL MEMBER

ATTEST BY CLERK-TREASURER