

**ANDREWS TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES  
OF A PUBLIC MEETING HELD MARCH 6, 2024**

A public meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Andrews, Indiana convened on March 6, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. at the Andrews Town Hall in accordance with applicable law and pursuant to appropriate notice.

**ROLL CALL**

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

**NEW BUSINESS**

Council President Laura Dillon thanked everyone for attending and proceeded to give an update on what the town has been working on to acquire clean drinking water from a safe aquifer. The meeting was informational to help current residents understand the situation and to hear firsthand what their elected officials have been doing on their behalf in recent years. Council members Newsome and Young made brief statements after Dillon spoke, as did Tom Wall, a Huntington County Commissioner in attendance. Council next responded to questions from the public. In conclusion, Dillon reminded all of the fact that this has been an ongoing issue for 30 years and that this council is working in the best interests of the town in an attempt to reasonably resolve this overwhelming and frustrating situation to obtain clean drinking water and have the groundwater contamination remediated in the Town of Andrews. She also thanked the Huntington County Commissioners and the City of Huntington for their interest in our small town's dilemma.


**OTHER BUSINESS**

Duke Energy Street Lights LED Upgrade: Clerk-Treasurer Powell updated everyone on the phone conference she and Dillon had March 1 with a Duke Energy representative to clarify a budgetary estimate to upgrade the streetlights. She said one option was the clear winner with the Rider 42 Plan reducing the monthly streetlight expense by a couple of hundred dollars and it even includes a rebate of \$3,990.00. In addition, there would be no upfront costs to the Town, and all maintenance would be included in the plan. Dean Young motioned to approve Duke Energy's Outdoor Lighting Conversion Option 1, Rider 42 to upgrade the streetlights to LED. Roger Newsome seconded the motion which passed unanimously. Powell will notify Duke of Council's decision.


With no further business, Roger Newsome, Jr. made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:49 p.m., which was seconded by Dean Young.

Approved this 25<sup>th</sup> day of March 2024.

APPROVED BY  as  
LAURA A. DILLON COUNCIL PRESIDENT

APPROVED BY  as  
ROGER NEWSOME, JR. COUNCIL MEMBER

APPROVED BY  as  
MICHAEL D. YOUNG COUNCIL MEMBER

ATTEST BY  as  
LAURY L. POWELL CLERK-TREASURER