## GOODLAND TOWN COUNCIL

### May 20, 2024

# Regular Town Board Meeting

Council president Jim Butler made a motion to approve the minutes of the meeting and was 2nd by Gary Rheude. Unanimous.

### **Old Business**

Gary Rheude made motion 2nd by Jim for disconnect list. Shut off day will be Tuesday, May 21, 2024. Unanimous.

#### **New Business**

- 1. Unsafe Buildings
  - a. 606 S. Newton (Michael Darte). John hadn't talked to him and Darte appeared. Darte stated that almost all work was done and fascia would be done this weekend. Jim made the motion to continue to next month, Gary 2<sup>nd</sup>, Unanimous.
  - b. 109 W. North St. Tina Terry did not appear. John stated that all work was done. Jim made a motion to release the order, Gary 2<sup>nd</sup>, Unanimous.
  - c. 623 S. Newton St. No parties appeared. Ingrid reported that she had heard from Michael Manis, who provided proof of transfer to Cesar Barillas. Jim made the motion to continue to next month, Gary 2<sup>nd</sup>, Unanimous.
- 2. Building inspector John stated that there has been 1 application for a building permit.
- 3. Tina Ward was absent. Jim presented an estimate from Republic Services for a Town wide cleanup day. Discussion was had about the pricing of such dumpsters, where the dumpsters would be located and how they would be secured. Such proposal was tabled and Mira Kindig will work with Tina to put information out about special pickups at certain times for certain zones of Town.
- 4. Mr. Strada from Mi Vallarta restaurant appeared to discuss purchase of real estate from Town to build a patio onto the restaurant. After discussion of access to water utilities on parcel, Town agreed to sell real estate to Mi Vallarta for \$1,000 and conditioned on Mi Vallarta providing an easement to the Town to access its utility lines.
- 5. Mira Kindig presented statistics on social media outreach. Requested at her pay be increased to \$18,000 for the next contract. Pay increase approved and will be ratified at next meeting when new contract is signed. Explained live streaming requirement starting in 2025 and provided quote for equipment. Council approved the expenditure

- of \$1,500.00 for equipment, Jim made motion, Gary 2<sup>nd</sup>, Unanimous. Discussion about timeliness of posting minutes after meetings on Facebook versus Town website.
- 6. Fire Department- provided an update on calls last month. Discussed gift of used ambulance from Homeland Security. Also discussed purchase of a new pumper truck.
- 7. Police Department Report Dillon provided update on calls and ordinance enforcement project with towing vehicles.
- 8. . Street, Water and Sewer Dept.- Dustin provided an update on ongoing projects in Town. Reported on major drainage project on North end of Town and efforts in locating certain drainage fixtures. Presented a quote for \$49,500 from Pugh Construction to work on 2 buildings in the park to make ADA compliant, Jim made motion, Gary 2<sup>nd</sup>, unanimous. Construction is still ongoing at the sewer plant.
- 9. Ryan Whybrew Point Services engineer for the wastewater project was present with the pay app installment for \$80,685.00 to Rod Green. Jim made motion, 2nd by Gary. Unanimous. Reported that Rod Green is currently past completion date of May 11 and wanted to know whether Council wanted to pursue liquidated damages. Rod requested one month of weather days, Dustin recommended 20 weather days and to not enforce liquidated damages currently, but keep option open in the event of more days. Discussion about welding drive that Mr. Monjon uses to access field that he plants for the Town. Mr. Monjon instructed to reach out to landowner for permission.
- Attorney report Ingrid presented ordinance to reestablish a Department of Parks and Recreation pursuant to Indiana Code. Jim made motion, Gary 2<sup>nd</sup>, unanimous.
- 11. Judy Carr had a question about the Town taking credit card payments on utility bills.
- 12. Gary asked if Town could purchase lots on Garfield Avenue from PJ Wing and David and Bonnie Honn. Jim made motion to purchase all lots for \$19,000.00 and for Town to pay all legal expenses associated with the purchase, Gary 2<sup>nd</sup>.
- 13. Jackie Barton had a question about drainage in Town.
- 14. Jim provided update that Catholic Church wants to donate their parking lot to the Town. Asked for permission to contact DNR about park grants.
- 15. With the Agenda matters concluded, the Council began signing claims and then Jim adjourned the meeting and Gary 2<sup>nd</sup> Unanimous.

James Butler, President

Tina M Ward, Secretary