

GOODLAND TOWN COUNCIL

October 21, 2024

THOSE PRESENT: Dillon Hall, Miranda Kindig, Kase LaReau, Dennis Battering, Jordan Rudisill, Scott McCord, Joe Cobleigh, Ryan Morris, Clint Gravesen, Jud Barce, Jacquie Barton, Gary Rheude, Trent Rogers, Karen Rogers, Edwin Buswell, Dustin Standish, Tom Mattox, Josh Meiser, Jake Rudisill, Heidi McCord, Ashley Meyer, Julie Gravesen, Marlon Burton, John Schwartz, Jim Butler,

UBO HEARINGS

129 W. Prairie Jim Butler stated that he had talked with Marlon Burton about this property. Mr. Burton was trying to get a dumpster so he could start working on the front porch, however Mr. Battering told them to leave. Mr. Battering stated he has a signed contract, but no money has been exchanged. The council stated at this time Burton's are the owners and they need to fix the problem. Jim made a motion to continue in 30 days 2nd by Gary. Unanimous. Set for November 25, 2024.

318 N Newton Josh Meiser was present, Building Inspector stated everything has been completed and it can be released. Jim made a motion 2nd by Gary. Unanimous.

321 S James Karen Rogers and her son Trent were present BI presented stated that nothing has been done. Ms. Rogers stated that they are working with Michael Manis on selling the property. Jim made a motion to continue in 30 days place a \$2500.00 fine in abatement and if not done by there 30 days the fine will double 2nd by Gary. Unanimous.

326 N Newton Mr. Juhl was not present. Jim made a motion to oppose a \$2500.00 fine. And continue in 30 days 2nd by Gary. Unanimous.

Regular Meeting

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

Old Business

Gary made motion 2nd by Jim for disconnect list. Shut off will be on Tuesday October 22, 2024.

New Business

1. Building inspector – John had nothing new to report.

2. Financial Report – Gave financial report. The council adopted the 2025 budget. Jim made a motion 2nd by Gary. Unanimous. Jim made a motion to adopt the 2025 Salary Ordinance 2nd by Gary. Unanimous. Jim made a motion to adopt the 2025 Utilities Budget 2nd by Gary. Unanimous. Jim made a motion to sign a resolution for 2024 transfers 2nd by Gary. Unanimous. The clerk stated that the Wastewater Grant has been completed and was asking for a motion to release the retainage. Jim made a motion 2nd by Gary. Unanimous.

3. Fire Department Report – 12 fire calls, 16 EMS calls, 4 mutual aid calls 1 to Remington, 1 to Fowler, 1 to Kentland, 1 to Brook. Held a business meeting, power line safety class was attended, emergency landing zone safety class was attended. For fire prevention week the department participated in touch a truck event for day care and HeadStart. Local businesses have been contacting the fire department for fire extinguisher training and assistance with emergency plans and fire drills. October training was conducted at the department over training modules in address locating, vehicle extrication, structure fire ventilation, fire fighter ppe and air packs and thermal imagery cameras. The department is in the planning stage with District 1 Homeland Security and State Board of Firefighter certifications to host a Fire 1 & 2 class. The department is also planning to send 3 members to state certification class for arson and fire investigations and fire inspections.

4. Police Department Report – 18 calls, 2 handle by county, 8 handle by Goodland. Dillon had 7 ordinance violations.

5. Street and Water Dept.- Sidewalk on Union Street has been completed, fall banners have been installed, we will be painting the yellow curb markings in the downtown area before winter. Downtown trees have been trimmed, trees on East North Street have been trimmed. Lead service inventory has been completed, we have repaired a four inch water main leak in the area of the old car lot. We will be repairing a water leak at the ball field location in the upcoming weeks. Council President Jim Butler wanted to congratulate Kase LaReau on passing his water examine, he is now Licensed Operator through the State of Indiana.

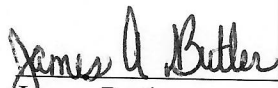
6. Sewer Department – Still waiting for BL Anderson to complete the influent flow meter repairs. All items on the sewer project list have been completed. Still on schedule for Ward Excavating to run the sewer force main at the Foster Park buildings. Surf Net has internet installed at most of the town owned locations. The back door of the Town Hall has been repaired, and debris from storm water project will be picked up this week.

7. Attorney's Report – Jud presented the council with an Ordinance for DNR for control flood plans. Jim made a motion to sign 2nd by Gary. Unanimous. Newton County Community Services (NCCS) has sent a letter stating that the Senior Nutrient Site will be closing as of December 31, 2024.

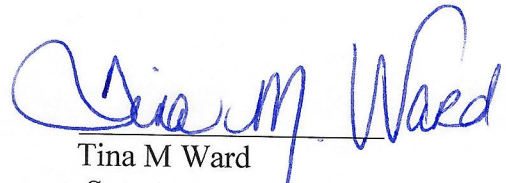
8. Leak credit letters from Dawn Barrett, Town of Goodland (Ball field), Ernie Stone, Clint Gravesen. Jim made a motion to accept all sewer credit letters 2nd by Gary.

9. Jacquie Barton was present, she stated that there is a problem with animals running loose and wild, mostly carts that just keep having babies. She spoke with Animal Control, and they told her that they cannot help with this problem in Goodland because of some ordinance and it is the Town's responsibility. Dillon stated that he would investigate this along with Dustin and see what Animal Control is talking about.

10. With the Agenda matters concluded, the Council began signing claims and then Trisha adjourned the meeting and Gary 2nd Unanimous.



James Butler
President



Tina M Ward
Secretary