

**Town of Paoli**  
*Minutes of the Regular Session*  
*Tuesday, February 20, 2024*

The Paoli Town Council met in Regular Session at 6:00 o'clock P.M. on the above date. President Bobbie Bostock led the Pledge of Allegiance. Present were Donna Dillard, Arla Jean Frazier, Theron Owen, Mylea Pluris and Bobbie Bostock. Attorney Huntington Reynolds and Clerk-Treasurer Beth Jones were also in attendance.

Clerk Treasurer, Beth Jones, presented the minutes from the February 6, 2024 Regular Session meeting. On motion made by Councilwoman Mylea Pluris and seconded by Councilwoman Arla Jean Frazier, council unanimously approved the minutes from the February 6, 2024 Regular Session meeting.

Under Old Business, President Bostock presented for approval Resolution No.2024-2 Appointing Taylor Baker as the New Commissioner to the Indiana Municipal Power Agency. Motion to accept was made by Councilwoman Donna Dillard and seconded by Councilman Theron Owen. In a unanimous vote by council, motion was passed.

Town Attorney Hunt Reynolds presented information on the Website quotes. He stated that he had sent letters to several organizations the first part of February and received four quotes back. The first proposal and quote was from Andrew Toohill with a project start-up fee of \$6500 and monthly pro-project management fee of \$135.00 each month. The second quote was from Williams Pro Builder with a one-time set up fee of \$999.00 with a monthly maintenance fee of \$209.00. The third proposal was from Multimedia Strategies with a design and set-up fee of \$8,000. \$150 per month maintenance fees for 3 hours of work and \$50.00 per hour for additional maintenance work outside the 3 hours. The final proposal was from Jonathan Stoops, who currently manages the town's website. Total costs for website development is a flat monthly fee of \$100 which would include design, development, testing, training and support. If the town prefers to stay with the current design, the monthly fee would be \$50.00. Councilwoman Donna Dillard asked if there would be a fee for using GoDaddy as the host, and Attorney Reynolds was not sure and stated we would need to ask him this. Motion was made by Councilman Theron Owen to table this until the next meeting. It was seconded by Councilwoman Arla Jean Frazier. In a unanimous council vote, motion was passed.

At 6:05 PM, the opening of sealed bids for the Water Tank Rehabilitation Project began. Eric Parsley with Commonwealth passed out tabulation sheets for Division "A" Water Storage Rehabilitation and Division "B" Meter Replacements. Town Attorney, Hunt Reynolds read bid #1 from Seven Brothers Painting, Inc. for Div. "A" in the amount of \$566,500.00. Bid #2 was from Viking Painting, LLC for Div. "A" in the amount of \$527,900.00. Bid #3 was from L.C. United Painting Co. for Div. "A" in the amount of \$541,000.00. Bid #4 was from Classic Protective Coatings for Div. "A" in the amount of \$943,950.00. Bid #5 was from Currens Construction Services, LLC for Div. "A" in the amount of \$572,300.00. Bid #6 from Utility Service Co., Inc. for Div. "A" in the amount of \$705,500.00. Bid# 7 from O & J Coatings, Inc. for Div. "A" in the amount of \$698,000.00. Bid #8 from Redd & Sons Construction, Inc. for Div. "B" in the amount of \$78,801.00. Bid #9 from Infrastructure Systems, Inc. for Div. "B" in the amount of \$99,700.00. Bid #10 from Weiser Industrial Coating, Inc. for Div. "A" in the amount of \$570,900.00. Bid # 11 from Love Excavating for Div. "B" in the amount of \$141,020.00. That completed the bid process at 6:25 PM. President Bostock made a motion to table this until next meeting to give Commonwealth time to look over the bids. Motion was seconded by Councilman Theron Owen, and in a unanimous vote by council, motion passed.

In other Old Business, Sam Klawitter with Kinetik Networks, LLC, gave a presentation on Microsoft Office #365 and suggested we proceed with the migration process. He stated that it is a more modernized email system, provides more controls for cybersecurity and future enhancements such as archiving and anti-spam. The monthly cost would be \$277.50. Councilwoman Donna Dillard asked what all services does Kinetik Networks, LLC provide the town. They consolidate all technology needs, provide management and monitoring services, backup services and provide a pro-active approach. Motion was made by Councilwoman Arla Jean Frazier to move forward with the migration process. Seconded by Councilwoman Mylea Pluris and in a unanimous council vote, motion passed.

Under New Business, Nathan Hale with Indiana Region 15 gave a brief presentation of Project Prioritization for 2024 and if we would have any updates, they would be due by the end of April. Councilwoman Arla Jean Frazier asked for more details about the Brownfield Grant. It is a grant for assessment of possible sites for redevelopment. They are hosting a 101 Brownfield presentation on March 14<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am at their office in Ferdinand, IN.

In other business, Stevie Allen with the Chamber of Commerce, stated that the carnival that will be coming into town for the Fall Festival requested that they be able to set up earlier in the week, starting on Wednesday, August 28, 2024. Councilman Theron Owen made the motion to allow the carnival to set up on August 28, 2024, and it was seconded by Councilwoman Donna Dillard. In a unanimous council vote, the motion passed.

Town Attorney, Hunt Reynolds presented his attorney report starting with the Amended Task Order No. 1. Drew Story with Clark Dietz explained that the scope of the project had been amended removing the Elm Street and S. Gospel Street projects, leaving just the Campbell Street Project, thus reducing the fee by \$112,430. He also shared that we would need to start getting prepared for the 2<sup>nd</sup> round which would be in June. Motion was made to accept the amended task order by Councilman Theron Owen and seconded by Councilwoman Mylea Pluris. In a unanimous council vote, motion passed. The next item Attorney Reynolds presented was the paying of the insurance premiums to avoid a gap in coverage. Clerk Treasurer Jones did submit payment \$38,418.00 for the Worker's Compensation Insurance and \$123,723 for the property, general liability, crime, inland marine, auto, umbrella, linebacker/employment practice liability, law enforcement liability and data compromise. Motion was made by Councilman Theron Owen to retroactively approve the payments and was seconded by Councilwoman Arla Jean Frazier. Motion passed with a 4 to 1 vote, with Councilwoman Donna Dillard voting nay. Town Attorney, Hunt Reynolds said he and Lyn Tucker Fullen had reviewed the AirMedCare contracts and they were sufficient and council could move forward if they so choose. Councilwoman Mylea Pluris made the motion to go ahead and approve the AirMedCare Network Agreement, which the town already uses and it was seconded by Councilwoman Donna Dillard. In a unanimous council vote, motion passed. The AirMedCare Fly-U-Home contract will be considered after it has been shared with the town employees to see if there is an interest in this. In final business, Attorney Reynolds presented copies of Resolution No. 2023-24 Approving Paoli Plan Commission's Favorable Recommendations Regarding the Tenth Amendment to the Unified Development Ordinance which will be discussed and considered at the March 5, 2024 council meeting.

Ordinance Officer, Benji Farris shared he had issued a building permit for 162 Paul Street and a BZA application was in the process of being filled out for this residence. He also stated he is continuing his daily logs. Councilwoman Donna Dillard asked about the proposed Complaint form. Some discussion was held concerning this new form. Motion was made by Councilwoman Mylea Pluris to table this until all information has been collected concerning this and seconded by Councilwoman Donna Dillard. In a unanimous council vote, motion passed.

Police Chief Randall Sanders presented his January, 2024 monthly report to the council. Officer Zack Cook will be attending Technical Training March 4 through March 8<sup>th</sup>. Chief Sanders thanked those that attended the last Advisory Board meeting and extended an invitation to their next meeting on March 25<sup>th</sup>.

President Bobbie Bostock asked Ordinance Officer Benji Farris if he could keep a copy of the building permits at the town office and he stated that he does do that. Also dog licenses. That is all kept at the Police Station, but he could provide copies to the town office. He also asked about a bill for work done at the new police station and Chief Sanders said that he and Clerk Treasurer Jones is looking into getting this paid through the warranty.

President Bostock presented information from the Utility General Foreman concerning quotes for purchases. The first quote was for \$2,182.70 from Best Equipment Co., for items needing fixed the Broom Sweeper. Motion was made by Councilman Theron Owen to approve this quote and it was seconded by Councilwoman Donna Dillard. In a

unanimous council vote, motion passed. The second quote was for \$3,670.00 from Brownstown Electric to replace a transformer pad at Central Baptist Church. Motion was made by Councilman Theron Owen to approve the quote and seconded by Councilwoman Arla Jean Frazier. In a unanimous council vote, motion passed. The final quote was for \$13,438.00 from Brown Wood Preserving Company, Inc. to replace electric power poles. After some discussion, motion was made by Councilwoman Mylea Pluris to approve the quote and seconded by Councilman Theron Owen. In a 4 to 1 vote in favor with Councilwoman Donna Dillard voting nay, motion passed.

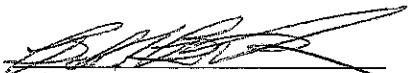
President Bostock also presented information concerning a \$100,00 grant from the Indiana Finance Authority for the Water Utility Department to support the Lead Service Line Inventory. This initiative supports the IDEM required Lead Service Line Inventory requirement that is due in October 2024. Utility General Foreman Scott Rutherford will fill out the required paperwork for this grant submission which is due by February 29, 2024 if council approves. Eric Parsley with Commonwealth shared more information concerning this grant with the council. A motion was made by Councilwoman Mylea Pluris to approve moving forward with submitting this grant and it was seconded by Councilwoman Arla Jean Frazier. In a unanimous council vote, motion passed.

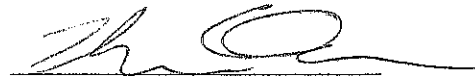
Park Director, David Grimes presented information concerning Paoli Fest which has tentatively put their plans on hold at this time. He also stated that he had talked with Sally Stroud about the dates for the Paoli Pals and he had already approved those dates. Discussion was held concerning the Travel Practice Field Agreement. Motion was made by Councilman Theron Owen to approve the Agreement contingent on Town Attorney adding information concerning practices also. Councilwoman Donna Dillard seconded the motion and in a unanimous council vote, motion passed. Park Director Grimes also gave an update on hiring of seasonal employees. He has one employee coming back from last year who will be starting next week. He still need another employee for 32 hours per week and has advertised for that on his personal facebook page. Four prior concesssion workers are coming back this year also. Mr. Grimes also requested increasing his purchase limit from \$500 to \$2500 which is what it had been in the past up until last year when it was cut to \$500 and he had to get approval three times a week from the previous clerk treasurer. Motion was made by Councilman Theron Owen to increase his purchase limit back to the \$2500 and it was seconded by Councilwoman Mylea Pluris. In a unanimous council vote, motion passed. Finally, Park Director Grimes informed the council that Adult Softball League was coming back to JC Park and will need to set a fee per team. The individual who is overseeing this is Dylan Conrad and he will be helping with the maintenance and getting umpires. We would only be responsible for mowing and providing chalk for the field. Grimes recommended charging \$150 to \$200 a team. They will have a seven week schedule. Motion was made by Councilman Theron Owen to proceed with an agreement for this league charging a fee of \$175.00 per team. It was seconded by Councilwoman Arla Jean Frazier and in a unanimous council vote, motion passed.

Clerk Treasurer Beth Jones presented claims for the period of February 7<sup>th</sup>, 2024 through February 20<sup>th</sup>, 2024 in the amount of \$802,730.32. Motion was made by Councilwoman Mylea Pluris to approve claims and seconded by Councilwoman Arla Jean Frazier. In a unanimous council vote, motion passed. Councilwoman Donna Dillard asked for clarification concerning an email that Clerk Treasurer Jones sent out to council in reference to attorney fees. She asked Town Attorney Hunt Reynolds for clarification on the hourly rate of \$200 and the quarterly rate of \$50. Clerk Treasurer Jones also asked council if they were okay with the minutes that she emails to them prior to the meeting, which have not been approved yet, being shared on social media and the general consensus was that they should not be posted before they have been approved by council.

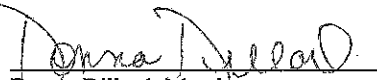
There being no further business, motion was made by Councilwoman Mylea Pluris to adjourn and seconded by Councilman Theron Owen. Meeting was adjourned at 7:38 pm by a unanimous vote of council.

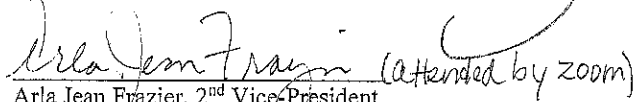
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Bobbie Bostock, President

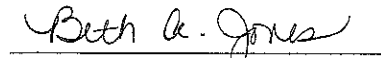
  
Theron Owen, Member

  
Mylea Pluris, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice-President

  
Donna Dillard, Member

  
Arla Jean Frazier, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-President (attended by zoom)

ATTEST:

  
Beth A. Jones, Clerk-Treasurer