November 20, 2024

TOWN OF AVILLA AVILLA TOWN COUNCIL

108 S. Main St. Avilla, IN 46710

THOSE PRESENT: Philip Puckett Jr., William Krock Jr., Andy Uhl, Brian Carroll, Rita Grocock, Adam Dunlap, Kierston Wright, Kevin Kelly, Mike Hensinger, Chris Arnett, Brandon Bryant, Bob Hardy, Casey Kintz, Brandon Depoy, Alecia Hensinger, Thad Bay, Brady Mizik, Brandy Cain, Edwin Cain, Bill Cain, Clark Wakeman, Glen Wills.

Town Council President, Philip Puckett, Jr. called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Claims in the amount of \$599,960.38 were submitted to the council for approval. William Krock, Jr. made a motion to approve the claims as submitted, Andrew Uhl seconded the motion. Vote: Ayes $3 - \text{Nays}\ 0$

Approval of the minutes from October 16, 2024, was submitted to the council. Andrew Uhl made a motion to approve the minutes as submitted. William Krock, Jr. seconded the motion. Vote: Ayes $3-Nays\ 0$

Fire Chief, Casey Kintz, presented Outstanding Service awards to Firemen Clark Wakeman and Bill Cain.

Town Mangers Report – Adam Dunlap gave his report for the month.

Adam Dunlap, Town Manager, asked the council for permission to spend \$100 to complete an on-line AIM course on December 4, 2024. William Krock, Jr. made a motion to approve the class for him. Andrew Uhl seconded the motion.

Vote: Ayes 3 – Nays 0

Superintendent's Report – Brian Carroll gave his report for the month.

Superintendent, Brian Carroll, informed the council that he has two pumps that need to be rebuilt. One is at McDonalds and the other one is out on Minor Road. The repair for the McDonald's pump is \$4950.00 and the Minor Road repair is \$3170.00. Andrew Uhl made a motion to approve both repairs. William Krock, Jr. seconded the motion.

Vote: Ayes 3 - Nays 0

Brian Carroll, Superintendent, reported to the council that we need to have our lift stations cleaned out with a vac-truck. He received two quotes to complete the work. Samwell quoted \$2350.00 per day for a two-day job. The second quote was from Badger for \$6975.45 for the complete job. William Krock, Jr. made a motion to hire Samwell for a total cost of \$4700.00. Andrew Uhl seconded the motion.

Vote: Ayes 3 - Nays 0

Superintendent, Brian Carroll, reported to the council that we have an issue with the sewer main having tree roots in it and it is causing it to plug up. He was asking the council to replace the town's root cutter. William Krock, Jr. made a motion to approve the purchase not to exceed \$3000.00. Andrew Uhl seconded the motion.

Vote: Ayes 3 - Nays 0

Brian Carroll, Superintendent, informed the council that the chart recorder at the water plant was not working and needs to be replaced. He received two quotes to replace it. Gripp, the current company we are using for all our calibration, quoted \$5488.00 to replace the current chart recorder. The quote for the updated signature was \$5506.00. Andrew Uhl made a motion to approve the updated signature series for \$5506.00. William Krock, Jr. seconded the motion. Vote: Ayes 3 — Nays 0

Superintendent, Brian Carroll, indicated that the large water meter testing was completed last month. It was determined that the effluent meter at the Water Plant was bad. To replace the 8" meter the cost would be \$11,304.85 from Sensus. Brian also received a quote from Kamstrup for \$6680.00. This meter will also connect to the Sensus Metering System. William Krock, Jr. made a motion to approve the purchase from Kamstrup for \$6680.00. Andrew Uhl seconded the motion.

Vote: Ayes 3 - Nays 0

Brian Carroll, Superintendent, reported to the council that his employees were inquiring about getting a storage cabinet to store paint cans and gas cans in. Brian received three quotes for the 43"X18"X65" cabinet. MSC quoted \$1724.52. Grainger's quote came in at\$1916.50 and USA Bluebook quoted \$1909.95. With shipping the final cost for MSC is \$1999.16. Andrew Uhl made a motion to approve the purchase through MSC for \$1999.16. William Krock, Jr. seconded the motion.

Vote: Ayes 3 – Nays 0

Superintendent, Brian Carroll; informed the council that Town's Linemen need tools purchased. Brownstown Electric's quoted \$3170.00. Gray Company's quote came in at \$3048.51 and Powerline Supply quoted \$2891.50. William Krock, Jr. made a motion to approve the purchase from Powerline Supply for \$2891.50. Andrew Uhl seconded the motion.

Vote: Ayes 3 – Nays 0

Town Marshall, Glen Wills, gave his report for the month.

Glen Wills, Town Marshall, reported to the council that part of the AED's need maintenance. The purchase of batteries for the devices is \$2000.00. Plus, an additional four batteries and pads for \$500.00. Andrew Uhl made a motion to approve the purchase, not to exceed \$2800.00. William Krock, Jr. seconded the motion.

Vote: Ayes 3 - Nays 0

Town Marshall, Glen Wills, explained to the council that Officer Shane Hurt left the police force to go to another position. He indicated that all his equipment was turned in to the town when he left. He was asking the council to allow him to hire part-time officer Roger Malargik, to work full-time. His start date will be the second week of December 2024. William Krock, Jr. made a motion to approve the hiring at a starting wage of \$47,257.60. After he has completed the police academy, he will be given a raise not to exceed \$52,000.00. Andrew Uhl seconded the motion.

Vote: Ayes 3 - Nays 0

Glen Wills, Town Marshall, asked the council for permission to purchase ammunition from Hirschy Discount Arms for \$1000.00 / case. He would like two cases for a total cost of \$2000.00. Andrew Uhl approved the purchase not to exceed \$2000.00. William Krock, Jr. seconded the motion. Vote: Ayes $3-Nays\ 0$

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Town Councilman, William Krock, Jr., said he would like to request that Town Marshall, Glen Wills, work a regular 5 day a week shift. He would like this to be Monday – Friday 9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. Officer Wills agreed that he would work this shift.

Fire Chiefs Report - was given by Casey Kintz.

Fire Chief, Kasey Kintz, reported to the council that the Photography Fundraiser the Fire Department held was a success. They made a profit of \$3800.00.

Fire Chief, Casey Kintz, informed us that they are having breakfast with Santa at the Fire Department on December 7, 2024, from 8:00 -10:00.

Casey Kintz, Fire Chief, informed the council that the Fire Department needs new pagers. The cost of the pagers through J & K Communications is \$6312.15 for 8 new pagers. Allen Township Trustee, Thad Bay, reported that they would contribute to help pay for four of the eight pagers.

Fire chief, Casey Kintz, indicated the boots the Firemen currently are using are old and need to be replaced. He is requesting to purchase 10 new pairs for a total cost of \$5540.00 from Hoosier Fire & Equipment.

Casey Kintz, Fire Chief, reported that he would like to purchase one new set of Bunker Gear for a new firefighter that just joined. The cost of the gear is not to exceed \$4000.00.

Fire Chief, Casey Kintz, informed the council that he would like to purchase a new gear rack for the Fire Department. He indicated that the one they currently have is old and falling apart. He received a quote from Grainger for \$6013.87.

Fire Chief, Casey Kintz, reported that Truck #31 needs repairs. The cost of the repairs is \$3283.38. William Krock, Jr. made a motion to approve all five items above for Casey to purchase. Andrew Uhl seconded the motion.

Vote: Ayes 3 - Nays 0

Attorney Report – Bob Hardy gave a brief report.

Clerk Treasurer, Rita Grocock, reported to the council that her new employee Deputy Clerk-Treasurer, Lisa Duehmig would be starting her employment with the town on November 21, 2024. Her starting pay will be \$23.00/hour.

New Business:

The first item under new business was to appoint the town manager to be the decision maker concerning Clean Infusion breach of contract, with Brian Carroll as a back-up person. Andrew Uhl made a motion to approve the appointment. William Krock, Jr. seconded the motion. Vote: Ayes 3 – Nays 0

Ordinance 1675-11-24 Abolishing the Park Board was next on the agenda. Councilman Philip Puckett, Jr., reported that after a lot of thought and no one having interest in being on the park board it was now time to abolish it. William Krock, Jr. made a motion to suspend the rules. Andrew Uhl seconded the motion.

Vote: Ayes 3 – Nays 0

Ordinance 1675-11-24 Abolishing the Park Board was read for the 1st reading. Andrew Uhl made a motion to approve the ordinance. William Krock, Jr. seconded the motion. Vote: Ayes $3-Nays\ 0$

Ordinance 1675-11-24 Abolishing the Park Board was read for the 2^{nd} reading. William Krock, Jr. made a motion to approve the ordinance. Andrew Uhl seconded the motion. Vote: Ayes $3 - \text{Nays}\ 0$

The 2025 Salaries of employees was next on the agenda. Please see the attached sheet for the individual information. In addition to the attached schedule of salaries, it was approved to raise the wages of the Fire Department Captain to annual payment of \$800.00, and Assistant Fire Chief to an annual payment of \$1000.00. William Krock, Jr, made a motion to approve the above salaries and the attached agenda of salaries as submitted. Andrew Uhl seconded the motion.

Vote: Ayes 3 – Nays 0

Old Business:

A quote was submitted by the town manager for Computer and IT upgrades for the Fire, Water, Wastewater, Electric, Street and Town Hall. Since the information was not provided prior to this meeting for review. It was tabled until another meeting. All information is supposed to be disbursed ahead of a meeting, so there is time for review first, before voting on it.

With no further business to discuss for the evening Andrew Uhl made a motion to adjourn at 7:55 P.M. William Krock, Jr. seconded the motion.

Vote: Ayes 3 - Nays 0

AVILLA TOWN COUNCIL

Philip Puckett, Jr., Council President

Andrew Uhl, Council Member

William Krock, Jr., Council Member

ATTEST:

Rita Grocock Clerk - Treasurer

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1	Name	2024	2025
2	Glen Wills	\$71,988.80/\$1384.40/\$34.61	2%
3	Chris Arnett	\$60,444.80/\$1162.40/\$29.06	5%
4	Kris Houser	\$53,643.20/\$1031.60/\$25.79	10%
5	Eric Lawson	\$51,396.80/\$988.40/\$24.71	15%
6	Roger Molargik	\$47,257.60/\$908.80/\$22.72	\$47,257.60
7	Brian Carroll	\$69,118.40/\$1329.20/\$33.23	5%
8	Jason Pieper	\$82,700.80/\$1590.40/\$39.76	6%
9	Kyle Herron	\$82,700.80/\$1590.40/\$39.76	4%
10	Craig Brennan	\$44,720.00/\$860.00/\$21.50	16%
11	Nathan Hathaway	\$50,668.80/\$974.40/\$24.36	10%
12	Adam Bergdall	\$44,720.00/\$860.00/\$21.50	16%
13	Michael Petrie	\$44,720/\$860.00/\$21.50	\$50,000.00/yr
14	Adam Dunlap	\$68,265.60/\$1312.80/\$32.82	14%
15	Rita Grocock	\$65,319.80/\$1256.15	5%
16	Barb Campbell	\$50,793.60/\$976.80/\$24.42	10%
17	New Deputy Clerk	\$47,840.00/\$920.00/\$23.00	\$47,840.00/yr
18	Petra Papai	\$45,760.00/\$880.00/\$22.00	\$45,760.00
19	Casey Kintz	\$25.00	4%
	Collin Harding Kris Bair Cory		
20	Miller	\$17.00	\$17.00
21	School Crossing Guard/Amanda Uhl	\$37.89	\$39.41
	Part Time Police Officer	\$35.09	\$35.09
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	Roger Carmichael	\$18.00	\$20.00
	P.T. Park Sup.	\$22.00	\$23.00
26	P.T. Janitorial	\$23.00	\$23.00
27	Council President	\$5377.44/\$448.12	3%
28	2 Council Members	\$4444.32/\$370.36	13%
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