

MEETING MINUTES
PRINCE'S LAKES TOWN COUNCIL
PRINCE'S LAKES TOWN HALL, 14 E LAKEVIEW DR, NINEVEH, IN 46164
August 15, 2022

COUNCILORS PRESENT: COUNCIL PRESIDENT GREG NELSON
VICE PRESIDENT MIKE GALLAMORE
COUNCILOR PHILIP MONTARSI
COUNCILOR BRYAN TEARMAN

COUNCILOR ABSENT: COUNCILOR KAREN HARRISON

CLERK-TREASURER PRESENT: ERICA LYDEN-GIGER

TOWN ATTORNEY PRESENT: LEE ROBBINS

STAFF PRESENT: MARSHAL GREG SOUTHERS
UTILITES SUPT SCOTT BLACKWELL
PUBLIC WORKS SUPERVISOR MIKE MILLER

PUBLIC PRESENT: DANA & TIM HUGHES
KAITLYN TUCKETT
ANTHONY GIGER
JOHN LONG
STEPHEN LUNTER
DEBBIE DANIELS
TED REGULI
COLT BARNES
TONY RADER
JOSH SNYDER
KYLE LITTELL

Council President Nelson called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance

PUBLIC FORUM:

Debbie Daniels informed the Council that she was upset about the new flashing dangerous curve sign in her yard. She stated there is a stop sign a few feet before the curve and if a driver is not going to follow the stop sign, they are not going to pay attention to a dangerous curve sign. She feels the sign is an eye sore and can see it flashing from her house. She also stated she spoke with

Marshal Southers and Public Works Supervisor Mike Miller about moving the sign, they told her they will ask the other home owner if they have a problem with the sign in their yard and she stated she would have liked to have been asked originally as well. Marshal Southers informed Ms. Daniels that he had never been asked before in his career to install a sign and Mr. Miller is new to the position and the sign has since been moved an additional 10 feet away from her property. Ms. Daniels asked if there were any other barriers that could be put up. Colt Barnes spoke and informed the Council that he was the one who requested a guardrail to be installed because there have been 7 accidents in his yard at the curve in the 9 years that they have lived there. Council Vice President Mike Gallamore stated they were presented a need and request at the last meeting to install a guardrail, but that would involve engineering. To address the safety issue, Council decided to install the sign. After discussion, it was decided to turn off the flashing light and in two months the Council will reevaluate the situation.

Ted Reguli spoke and stated there a lot of residents speeding throughout the community and he would like more officers pulling over the speeders. Mr. Reguli also stated he would like to see rumble strips or something else to try and stop speeders. Marshal Southers stated they are going to start running radar more often and pulling over people.

Stephan Lunter spoke about the section of road in front of his house by the curve that is crumbling. He would like someone to come out and patch it. Mr. Miller informed Mr. Lunter that he will get in contact with him to get the road patched.

Nineveh Fire Chief Josh Snyder asked the Council if there was a way their trucks would be able to buy fuel from the Town. They have had thefts of fuel and are looking for more secure and efficient ways to fuel their trucks. Councilor Tearman asked if they could have their tank moved to our secure property. Mr. Snyder stated that would make things a lot easier. Both the Town and Fire Department get their fuel from Premier Ag. Mr. Nelson stated if the tanks are moved, there would have to be a dyke system installed. Mr. Snyder stated yes that's correct and the Fire Department would pay for that to be installed. After discussion, Mr. Snyder is going to contact Mr. Miller and set up a date to bring the fire truck over to see if it will be able to get in and out of the street department. Mr. Snyder also stated he has seen a lot of small children riding around in golf carts that are not in seat belts. Mr. Snyder stated this is not safe and should not be allowed. Marshal Southers stated they can start pulling over those offenders. Mr. Snyder also asked if there was a way to get the information out to the community. Clerk-Treasurer Erica Lyden-Giger stated when she sends out renewal letters, she is going to include the ordinance so residents know the rules. Kyle Littell spoke and said he turned in a complaint and never was contacted. Mr. Nelson stated he has been unable to get into his email and apologized, but he will get reset tomorrow and will contact Mr. Littell.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- Councilor Phil Montarsi made a motion to approve the July 20, 2022 Regular Meeting minutes. Councilor Bryan Tearman seconded the motion and passed unanimously.

TOWN MARSHAL REPORT:

Marshal Greg Southers gave his report and stated Denver, the police dog, will graduate training in about two months.

WATER/WASTEWATER REPORT:

Superintendent Scott Blackwell presented the Council with his report. Mr. Blackwell stated they have flushed all fire hydrants and have developed a hydrant flushing system. Mr. Blackwell has been replacing fire hydrants because they are too old to buy replacement parts. The new fire hydrants are better for the fire department as well because they have one 5" connection instead of two 2.5" connections. Mr. Blackwell has been working with Fire Chief Snyder on their needs and how the Town can help during fires. Mr. Blackwell stated he is getting two more bids on replacing lids on two wells and Remington Tearman is going to be able to take his first wastewater test soon. Mr. Blackwell is close to hiring another employee on the water side and will ask for approval at the next meeting.

STREET DEPARTMENT REPORT:

Public Works Supervisor Mike Miller spoke about still waiting on bids for the old concession stand at the ball diamond. Mr. Miller informed the Council that the grills and picnic tables are in and will get those placed soon. They have cut down a few trees around the park where the picnic tables and grills are going to go. Mr. Miller has also been working with Mr. Gallamore, Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Lindsey Kelly, and Mrs. Lyden-Giger on the CCMG. The Town's portion is a little over \$92,000 which Mrs. Lyden-Giger says we have the funds. Mr. Nelson asked what the status on the road being fixed from the fiber contractor bored under Lakeview Dr. Mr. Miller said the company just keeps saying they will get it fixed. Mr. Nelson asked Town Attorney Lee Robbins if he can send a letter to the company. Mr. Robbins is going to send a letter.

CLERK-TREASURER REPORT:

Clerk-Treasurer Erica Lyden-Giger presented Town Water & Wastewater claims and ask the Council for approval in the amount of \$143,155.31 and \$252,234.08

- Council President Nelson made a motion to approve claims for Town, Water, & Wastewater as presented in the amount of \$143,155.31 and \$252,234.08 Councilor Tearman seconded the motion and passed unanimously.

Mrs. Lyden-Giger presented the July 21, 2022 & August 4, 2022, allowance docket and asked the Council for approval in the amount of \$34,329.49 & \$36,078.99.

- Councilor Phil Montarsi made a motion to approve the July 21, 2022 allowance docket in the amount of \$34,329.49 & August 4, 2022 allowance docket in the amount of \$36,078.99. Council President Nelson seconded the motion and passed unanimously.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT:

Mr. Robbins stated we have been awarded judgement on the Monica Spears property. He has a bid notice ready to be published. The bids will be due September 6, 2022. Mr. Robbins stated the

work has to be done by a licensed contractor and completed within thirty days after the work starts.

OLD BUSINESS:

Mr. Gallamore stated he received a call from 4 different residents stating they don't want the cell tower. Their reasons are it would be an eye sore, the \$1000 a month is not worth it and there are unknown health risks.

Tim & Dana Hughes spoke against putting in an AT&T cell tower. Mr. Hughes said they don't want it and it will not benefit anyone that lives within 1,000 ft of it and is not sure if it will interfere with the free tv signal coming from Trafalgar. Mrs. Hughes spoke and said it will be an eye sore and they moved to the county for the trees and don't want to look out across the field at a cell phone tower.

Mr. Reguli also spoke out against the cell tower and wants to know what the residents get out of it and suggested the Town install 100 security lights.

Mr. Tearman stated he would like to know more information about it. Mr. Robbins said we are getting to the point to ask questions now if the Council is going to move forward with it. Mr. Nelson informed the public that a decision has not been made and they are not trying to sneak it past the community and will let residents know when the vote will be. Mr. Nelson also stated that there are two types of towers it could be. One tower type would look like a straight pole, the other type of tower would be a lattice type tower. The tower will be 196 feet tall; the water tower is 120 feet tall. The Town would receive \$1000 per month and taxes would not be lower if the tower gets installed.

Mr. Montarsi is against it and stated maybe another location would be better and maybe by the water tower in Trafalgar. Mr. Montarsi made a motion to dissolve the idea of the cell tower. There was no second.

Mr. Gallamore stated he wants to set a meeting date to go over the community survey.

NEW BUSINESS:

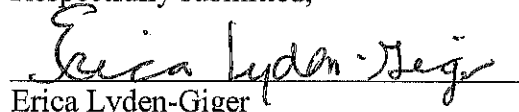
Mrs. Lyden-Giger presented the Council with 2 different bids to replace the concrete out front of Town Hall. One bid was for \$7800 for Man of Concrete, but would have an additional cost to hire a professional framer to brace the roof while the work was being completed. The other bid for \$8200.00 for Foley Custom Concrete did not have additional costs associated.

After discussion,



- Council Vice President made a motion to approve the bid for Foley Custom Concrete in the amount of \$8200.00 Councilor Montarsi seconded the motion and passed unanimously.

With no further business before the Prince's Lakes Town Council, Council President Nelson made a motion to adjourn at 8:15 P.M. Councilor Montarsi seconded the motion and carried unanimously.

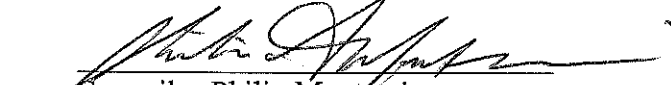
Respectfully submitted,



Erica Lyden-Giger
Clerk-Treasurer

Council:


Council President Greg Nelson

Council Vice President Mike Gallamore


Councilor Karen Harrison


Councilor Philip Montarsi


Councilor Bryan Tearman