# Meeting of the Town Council of Huntertown, Indiana Tuesday, February 18, 2025, 6:00 p.m. Huntertown Town Hall, 15617 Lima Road

A public meeting of the Huntertown Town Council was held on Tuesday, February 18, 2025, at Huntertown Town Hall, 15617 Lima Road, Huntertown, IN. Present was town council members Michael Aker, Patricia Freck; Brad Hite; and Brandon Seifert; Town Manager Hannah Walker; Clerk-Treasurer Ryan Schwab; Resource Officer Brandon Reichert; three (3) members of the public and zero (0) members of the media. One (1) member of the media attended via Microsoft Teams. Council member Tina McDonald was absent.

Brad Hite called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

## **COUNCIL ACTION**

Brandon Seifert made a motion to approve the minutes from February 3, 2025, regular meeting. Patricia Freck seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

Brandon Seifert made a motion to approve the minutes from February 10, 2025, special meeting. Patricia Freck seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

Brandon Siefert made a motion to approve the general, water, and sewer claims dated February 18, 2025, in the amount of \$2,833,390.40. Michael Aker seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

Brandon Seifert made a motion to approve the secondary plat for the Fields at Broad Acrea Section I. Michael Aker seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

Patricia Freck made a motion to approve the Annual Financial Report for fiscal year 2024 as presented. Michael Aker seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

Michael Aker made a motion to approve Change Order No. 7 for the Carroll Road reconstruction project in the amount of \$33,039.81. Patricia Freck seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

Brandon Seifert made a motion to approve Huntertown Resolution 2025-002, a Resolution accepting right-of-way dedication deed. Patricia Freck seconded. Motion carried 4-0.

Michael Aker made a motion to issue notice for a Request for Proposals for Farm Lease Agreement for town owned property on Trinity Street, formerly known as the Price Property. Brandon Seifert seconded. Randy Bailey said the individual who would likely reply to the request would give the town a set dollar amount per acre annually. Brad Hite said he would like the agreement to reflect that the property be returned to its original condition after farming is concluded. Ryan Schwab said the agreement also needed to identify what fund the revenue can be deposited is and what it can be spent on. After no further discussion, the motion carried 4-0.

Michael Aker made a motion to approve a quote in the amount of \$38,760 from M&S Excavating for the demolition of town owned property at 2123 Trinity Street. Brandon Seifert seconded. Ryan Schwab provided an overview of the quote and noted that it was approximately \$6,000 less than the same quote

the town received in September 2024. Brad Hite said the Huntertown Fire Department needed about 3 more weeks to use the site for training. After no further discussion, the motion carried 4-0.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Outside of items listed under Council Action, no other New Business was brought forth.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

Outside of items listed under Council Action, no other Old Business was brought forth:

#### REPORTS

Patricia Freck had the following report:

• She questioned Michael Aker, Brad Hite and Brandon Seifert about a meeting the three of them had prior to the 2/3/2025 meeting that delayed the start of the meeting by seven (7) minutes. Brad Hite stated that he received some information regarding whether Brandon Seifert could be elected the Vice-President and was sharing that information with them. Freck said that type of conversation needed to be held in public and all council members needed to be included. Michael Aker inquired about the Town's Code of Conduct policy, stating multiple members of the public heard an expletive said by a council member using Microsoft Teams at that meeting.

Resource Officer Brandon Reichert had the following report:

- He thanked the street department for keeping the roads clean during recent winter weather.
- He will continue to provide the council with updates on the installation of traffic cameras at intersections throughout Huntertown.

Outside of items listed under Council Action. Clerk-Treasurer Ryan Schwab had no further report.

Town Manager Hannah Walker had the following report:

- An Administrative Session of the Town Council has been scheduled for February 27, 2025, at 4:30 p.m.
- Allen County Department of Planning Services will be sending over information on a re-zoning application for Westbrook Estates, which will connect to a stub street into the Cascata subdivision.
- The DPS will also be presenting the council with an amendment to the Zoning Ordinance to reflect changes made at the county level.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT

None were brought forth.

Patricia Freck made a motion to adjourn. Brandon Seifert seconded. The motion passed with a voice vote and the meeting adjourned at 6:36 p.m.

Attest:

President

Ryan Schwab

Clerk Treasurer