

**Meeting of the Town Council of Huntertown, Indiana**  
**Monday, May 19, 2025, 6:00 p.m.**  
**Huntertown Town Hall, 15617 Lima Road**

A public meeting of the Huntertown Town Council was held on Monday, May 19, 2025, at Huntertown Town Hall, 15617 Lima Road, Huntertown, IN. Present were town council members Michael Aker; Tina McDonald; and Brandon Seifert; Town Manager Hannah Walker; Clerk-Treasurer Ryan Schwab; Resource Officer Pedro Yaruchy; Stephen Cardenas and Derek Frederickson of Engineering Resources Inc.; Mike Hawk of Hawk Haynie Kammeyer & Smith; eighteen (18) members of the public and zero (0) members of the media. Council members Patricia Freck and Brad Hite (P) were absent.

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

**COUNCIL ACTION**

Tina McDonald made a motion to approve the minutes of April 21, 2025, regular meeting. Michael Aker seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Michael Aker made a motion to approve the general, water, and sewer claims dated May 19, 2025, in the amount of \$1,149,877.78. Tina McDonald seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Michael Aker made a motion to introduce Huntertown Ordinance 2025-006, an Ordinance changing the zoning classification of a certain 1.361-acre tract referenced in rezoning petition REZ-2025-0007 from AR low intensity residential to R# Multiple family residential. Tina McDonald seconded. Hannah Walker provided an overview of the ordinance, noting that the change in zoning will allow for the building of an 11-lot townhouse plat in the 4700 block of Carroll Road, 250 feet east of its intersection with Bozzio Road. She said that the Allen County Plan Commission held a Public Hearing on April 17, 2025, with no one speaking in support and three people speaking against. The Plan Commission recommended a due pass at its April 24, 2025, business meeting. Brandon Seifert opened the floor to public comment. The following residents spoke in opposition of the re-zoning: Georgia Schmidt of 4932 Balor Court; Lauren and Mark Fox of 12102 Bozzio Road; Scott George of 4915 Carroll Road; Gary Mock of 4833 Carroll Road; Tom West of 4806 Carroll Road and Phil and Robin Roy of 4821 Carroll Road. Reasons for opposition included not wanting the townhomes in their neighborhood of residential homes; safety concerns; parking concerns; traffic concerns; emergency response concerns; property value concerns; flooding concerns; concerns about the townhomes being rented vs. being owned; and not being able to attend the 1 p.m. DPS Public Hearing. The developer for the project, Jeff Thomas, addressed the residents about the process for applying to re-zone as well as what steps are still needed before the plat is approved. Ryan Schwab provided an overview of how the town council ordinance approval process is handled, noting that the 3-person board present could only introduce the motion. A second and third reading of the ordinance would be held at the June 2, 2025, meeting. After no further discussion, the motion carried 3-0.

Michael Aker made a motion to approve Change Order No. 8 for the Carroll Road reconstruction project (east) in the amount of \$1,901.90. Brandon Seifert seconded. Hannah Walker provided an overview of the Change Order, noting that to the project delay, the contractor is requesting additional pay for maintaining the signage over the winter of 2024 and until the project is complete in the spring of 2025. After no further discussion, the motion carried, 3-0.

Michael Aker made a motion to approve Change Order No. 1 for the Carroll Road reconstruction project (west) in the amount of \$72,829.36. Brandon Seifert seconded. Hannah Walker provided an overview of the Change Order, noting that the increase is a result of escalation of costs for work done in 2024 that should have been done in 2023 had utilities been relocated on time. After no further discussion, the motion carried 3-0.

Michael Aker made a motion to approve Huntertown Resolution 2025-006, a Resolution accepting new streets into the Town of Huntertown for ownership and maintenance by Huntertown. Brandon Seifert seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Michael Aker made a motion to approve the encroachment agreement for Sonora Townhomes as presented. Brandon Seifert seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Michael Aker made a motion to approve a quote from Pulver Asphalt and Paving in the amount of \$25,900 for road and drainage improvements on Shearwater Run. Brandon Seifert seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

## **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**

Brandon Seifert had the following report:

- He thanked Derek Frederickson for meeting with him recently.
- He expressed interest in having the town undertake a census population update to improve funding before new legislation takes effect.
- He said the town needs to consider the negative impact that instilling a new wheel tax and LIT tax would have on Huntertown residents.
- He has seen more vehicles using a private drive on Woods road. There is a sign asking for business deliveries in the area, but he has also seen residents use it. He also said he was nearly involved in an accident since there is no stop sign at the intersection. Officer Pedro Yaruchy said there is now a sign there.

Resource Officer Pedro Yaruchy had the following report:

- The new radar speed sign was installed at Copper Strike Pass in the Copper Creek neighborhood. Statistics showed that 96-percent of travelers were under the 30 MPH speed limit. He said the fastest speed was registered by an emergency response vehicle. Micheal Aker inquired about having a police presence closer to the road at the intersection of State Road 3 and Cedar Canyon Road, noting that police like to use the back portion of the parking lot at the nearby church further away from the road,

Clerk-Treasurer Ryan Schwab had the following report:

- With upcoming legislative changes to revenue sources, the town will have to be more conservative with its budgeting for 2026.

- He asked the council to consider moving its July 7, 2025, meeting to June 30, 2025, to better align with employee vacation schedules. He will email the council full details later in the week.

Outside of items listed under Council Action, Town Manager Hannah Walker had no further report.

Derek Frederickson of Engineering Resources had the following report:

- He handed out an updated capacity spreadsheet for the water treatment plant and wastewater treatment plant.
- He provided the council with an updated spreadsheet on development progress.
- He provided the council with an updated capital projects plan for the water and wastewater utilities.

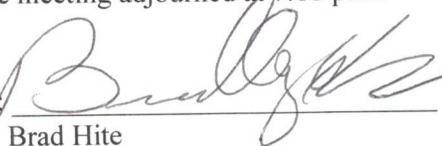
Mike Hawk of Hawk Haynie Kammeyer & Smith had no further report.


### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

None were brought forth.

Michael Aker made a motion to adjourn. Brandon Seifert seconded. The motion passed with a voice vote and the meeting adjourned at 7:11 p.m.

Attest:

  
Brad Hite  
President

  
Ryan Schwab  
Clerk Treasurer