

Linden Town Board Meeting April 30, 2024

Roll Call: Present Town Board President Wade Bennett, Town Board Member Paul Buckles, Town Board Member Chasity Surface, Clerk/Treasurer Janet Heide

Town of Linden regular monthly meeting called to order by Town Board President Wade Bennett at 7:00pm

Town Board President Wade Bennett reported online payments are active and presented information to view utility billing statement online <https://linden.utilitybillingsystem.us> and to pay utility billing statement online Town website linden.in.gov click on the Online Bill Pay button

Farmers Market Brad Scott update will have meeting May 1st 7pm to finalize plans. Farmers Market dates will be last Wednesday of each month, location Bulldog Park.

Town Board President Wade Bennett presented Town & Township agreement, read aloud and opened discussion. Board agreed to table until May 21st meeting.

Utility Superintendent Earl Heide reported Dumpster Day filled 3 containers and multiple residences placed big items outside and requested pick up

Utility Superintendent Earl Heide reported water project on schedule

Town Board Member Paul Buckles requested South Street patch on sinking pavement at the utility repair area. Street Superintendent Earl Heide reported creating a list of streets needing paving repairs. Board agreed to pay repairs from Local Roads and Streets fund and Street Fund as budget allows.

Town Board Member Paul Buckles requested barrel be picked up at 737 N Main Street

Town Board Member Paul Buckles reported multiple yards needing mowed. Town Marshal Mike Taylor reported has list and mailed letters.

Town residents Carla Brady and John King stated many properties needing cleaned up, causing decrease in property values and wanting to know what is being done.

Utility Clerk Donna Cooper received a phone call from new property owner moving in from out of state asking if ducks are allowed in town limits. Town Board President Wade Bennet doesn't believe ducks are considered farm animals. Board agreed as long as property owner contain ducks and ducks do not disturb neighbors shouldn't have any issues

Town resident Carolyn Holt reported dog issues and does town of dog ordinance. Town Board President Wade Bennett stated town has AWL contract that allows all residents to call dispatch with dog issues

Town Board Member Wade Bennett explained Town ordinance was updated within the last 10 years. Town Board Member Paul Buckles stated property owners have different situations. Town Marshal Mike Taylor explained issues with property appearance and property owner rights. Town Board Members discussed options to update Town nuisance ordinance and agreed Town Board President Wade Bennett to contact town attorney.

Town Marshal Mike Taylor update FLOCK permit came in from the State, next step is to install equipment

Town Board Member Paul Buckles asked if batteries changed in speed sign on South Street. Town Marshal Mike Taylor reported extra batteries are in office and current battery is working for speed sign

Town Board Member Chasity Surface reported Town yard sale date will be May 18th same day as car show.

Town Board Member Chasity Surface asked for Board directions for Park Board Members. Discussion of meeting minutes, open to public and posting meeting dates.

Town Park Caretaker Earl Heide asked for update on youth baseball practices and game dates

Linden Library Director Kathie Watkins thanked Town Board Member Paul Buckles for addressing South Street paving issue

Clerk/Treasurer Janet Heide submitted voucher register for Board Members signature. Board reviewed; Town Board Member Paul Buckles made a motion to accept and sign voucher register; Town Board Member Chasity Surface 2nd motion; Town Board President Wade Bennett called for a vote, motion carries

Clerk/Treasurer Janet Heide submitted prior meeting minutes for Board Member signature. Town Board Member Chasity Surface made a motion to accept and sign March 26 meeting minutes; Town Board Member Paul Buckles 2nd motion; Town Board President Wade Bennett called for a vote, motion carries

Clerk/Treasurer Janet Heide submitted monthly bank reconciled report and financial reports for board signature. Board Members signed and accepted monthly reports for board signature.

Town Board Member Chasity Surface made motion to adjourn. Town Board Member Paul Buckles 2nd motion; Town Board President Wade Bennett called for a vote, motion carries, meeting adjourned 8pm

Linden Town Board Members action:

Town Board Member Name

Yea

Nay

Wade Bennett

Paul Buckles

Chasity Surface

Attested by:
Janet Heide, Clerk-Treasurer

Transcribed March 31, 2024

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