

**STATE OF INDIANA
GREENE COUNTY
CITY OF LINTON**

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
December 14, 2020 6:00 P.M.**

**WELCOME – OPENING OF MEETING
Mayor Wilkes opened the meeting at 6 p.m.**

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

ROLL CALL

Jerry Ellett, Tony Richards, Jeff Sparks, Linda Bedwell, and Les Newman.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion to approve the minutes as submitted by Linda Bedwell, 2nd by Les Newman. 5 ayes, passed.

APPROVAL OF CLAIMS PROPERLY SIGNED

A motion to approve the claims property signed made by Jeff Sparks, 2nd by Jerry Ellett. 4 ayes, passed.

APPROVAL OF FUND & APPROPRIATION REPORT

A motion to approve the fund and appropriation report by Jeff Sparks, 2nd by Les Newman. 5 ayes, passed.

NEW BUSINESS

IMPA Annexation

Emily Williams (Director of Solar Development and Operations from the Indiana Municipal Power Agency) presented via Zoom to the council about a proposed solar field that would be on property IMPA has purchased in the northeast part of Linton just outside the city limits. Williams submitted a petition on behalf of IMPA, requesting the property to be annexed into the city. A motion was made by Linda Bedwell to approve the petition for annexation, 2nd by Jeff Sparks. 5 ayes, passed.

Approval of Annexation Fiscal Plan

A motion to approve the City of Linton of Annexation Fiscal Plan (prepared by O.W. Krohn and Associates) made by Tony Richards, 2nd by Linda Bedwell. 5 ayes, passed.

Selection of Comp. Plan Consulting Services

Mayor Wilkes explained the city originally sent out request for bids to five different consulting firms. The City received three quotes from:

- **Lochmueller Group**
- **Taylor Siefker Williams/ Midwestern Engineers, Inc.**
- **SB Research & Planning in association with Rundell Ernstberger Associates**

Mayor Wilkes, Clerk-Treasurer Jathan Wright, and Controller David Sisk scored the three quotes per advisement from SIDC. The top two were selected, Lochmeuller Group and Taylor Siefker Williams/ Midwestern Engineers, Inc. The top two were then interviewed by the same three city officials virtually and then a final scoring was then conducted. Taylor Siefker Williams/ Midwestern Engineers, Inc was scored the highest and Mayor Wilkes recommended to the council that the City hires them. A motion was by Tony Richards based on the recommendation of the Mayor, 2nd by Jeff Sparks. 5 ayes, passed.

Amend 2021 Salary Ordinance

The proposed amendment to the salary ordinance was to add a section to allow city employees to stay home and get paid during a declared emergency. The amendment for the 2021 fiscal year was the same amendment passed back in March for the 2020 fiscal year. A motion to approve the amendment was made by Linda Bedwell, 2nd by Les Newman. 5 ayes, passed.

Fire Truck Bid

The City of Linton advertised for sealed bids their 1996 Pierce Saber Fire Pumper Apparatus. The original advertisement stated the city would take no bid for less than \$25,000 but no bids for that amount was submitted for the November Council meeting. The council advised Mayor Wilkes to see if there were any other units interested in the truck for less than the advertised amount. The town of Lyons later submitted a sealed bid for \$22,000 and was the only bid submitted for the truck. A motion was made

Cares Act Reimbursement Fund

Clerk-Treasurer Wright has requested permission from the City Council to create the proper funds to receipt and disburse the Cares Act Reimbursements Funds that Wright has submitted on behalf of the city. A motion was made by Linda Bedwell to allow the Clerk-Treasurer to create the funds needed, 2nd by Jerry Ellett. 5 ayes, passed.

Ordinance – 2020-09 (Cemetery Rates & Regulations)

A motion was made to approve changes in the cemetery rates to reflect the new Harris Burials rates and increase Saturday and holiday fees and spaces made by Linda Bedwell, 2nd by Jerry Ellett. 5 ayes, passed.

DEPARTMENT HEADS REPORTING


No Reports

ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn made by Linda Bedwell, 2nd Jerry Ellett. 5 ayes, passed.



Mayor John Wilkes



Clerk-Treasurer Jathan Wright