

MEETING MINUTES

GRABILL TOWN COUNCIL

Date/Time July 3, 2024 7:00PM

Location: 13717 First Street Grabill, IN 46741

Meeting called to order by: President Claude E. Schrock

IN ATTENDANCE

President Claude E. Schrock
Vice President Jeff Smead
Councilman Wilmer Delagrange
Clerk-Treasurer Stephanie J. Smith

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes were read from the June 19, 2024 meeting and approved, first motion to approve made by Councilman Wilmer Delagrange, seconded by Vice President Jeff Smead.

AGENDA

•DLZ:

Waterworks Improvements:

- Project A-Distribution and Water Plant Vacation
 - Communications work ongoing.
 - Pending: Lagoon Closure
 - DLZ reviewing contingency for valve work/replacement on Illinois Street.
- Project B-Water Tower
 - All tower rehab work complete; pending final punch list.

Trail:

- DLZ/Town/Zach developing a possible plan for trail location thru NIPSCO property
- Phase 1 (West Section, Leo-Cedarville, Grabill) Section to bid in Fall 2024
- Phase 2 (North Section, Grabill bridge section) later date in 2024, TBD-Need to setup meeting with Highway/Town.
- DLZ coordinating location of future bridge and new NIPSCO gas main.

County ARPA Applications:

- County (BakerTilly) confirmed Town has been awarded \$2,750,00
- County has confirmed engineering costs are an eligible to paid by County ARPA grant
- NTP Engineering & scope approved at April meeting
- Pending: Separate engineering work-order agreement
- Project 76B: Sewer lift stations \$630,790
- Project 76A: Sewer lining & extensions \$2,119,210
- Need to under contract by end of 2024
- Easements required for Grabill Road Sewer extension
- Kick-off meeting with BakerTilly complete
- Pending: Grabill Road-Property Owner Meeting(July 2024)
- Pending: Page Road-Property Owner Meeting (July 2024)

NIPSCO Property

- DLZ coordinating location of future bridge and new NIPSCO gas main

CCMG 2023-2 Applications (2024 Streets)

- Town Awarded \$1,000,000 (Nov 3, 2023)**
- West and Illinois Street
- Update: Contractor-Brooks Construction
- Pending: Illinois Property Owner Meeting-July 10, 6:30pm
- Schedule: Delays associated with gas services
- Action Item: DLZ working on letter to NIPSCO

CCMG Update:

- For the 2024 application, INDOT has raised the maximum total grant to \$1,500,00
Construction Cost \$2,000,000 (Town Match \$500,000)
- Pending: Roads to include in CCMG Applications in July 2024
- Need to submit by end of July 2024
- Current scope: First Street

Lead Service Line Replacement (LSLR):

- All communities have to complete an Inventory and various other compliance items.
- DLZ is working with Ryan Walls on possible grant application for the phase 2
- Update: Grant approved for LSLR (admin/inventory work)
- Action Item: DLZ to start LSLR program
- Action Item: DLZ/Ryan-Erik to review lead/copper testing date and develop a plan for Compliance

Plan Reviews:

Henry Lengacher Property/Drive
Our Country Home

•A & K:

Lead/Copper Testing being done, met with Jason at the Water Plant on Tuesday, we had high lead hits, they were adding Orthophosphates to the water. Ryan spoke with Stacy Jones from IDEM regarding results from May 2024. A & K needs to draft a response letter to IDEM reading what we are going to do. Orthophosphates were tested at entry point from Fort Wayne at 2.37 that at this point it will take time for the orthophosphates to recoat the Town's waterlines. The Town carries 7.2 PH, we already had coating on our lines, but when hooked up to Fort Wayne, it stripped that coating which gave us a 9PH on their water. The orthophosphates are recoating the pipes currently. We need to send out yearly until we get all our results back down. We took 7 different tests at 2 different locations within town for hardness, corrosion, PH, temperature, orthophosphates, to test the quality of the water. We won't have to sample again at our next 6-month cycle. Testing will be taken again at the same testing locations.

●**GRABILL FAIR BOARD (WILMER DELAGRANGE):**

Wilmer presented that the Fair Board met and decided that the 2024 Grabill Fair would be cancelled due to safety reasons as well as the Fairs and Town's liability. He stated this decision was not an easy one to make, the proceeds of the Grabill Fair go back to the community. Grabill Fair Board is asking DLZ to help draft a letter, with their advisement for safety concerns due to unforeseen circumstances. Released to the public notifying them of the cancellation as well as distributed to the booked vendors of the event. The Fair Board also asked Town President to add notation that the Town Council also supports the decision to cancel the 2024 Grabill Fair.

●**NEW ALLEN ALLIANCE:**

Funding Approval, no decision to be made at this time. New Allen Alliance is drafting a new contract up. The Town will need guaranteed evidence that the county will be paying for these grants.

●**CHAMBER OF COMMERCE:**

Road Apple Cruise-In will proceed as planned for September 28, 2024
Old Husker's Tractor Show will proceed as planned for October 12, 2024

●**A/P:**

Council was presented the Wastewater adjustment for June 2024 billing period, all in favor.
Council was presented the AP for EOM June 2024/July 3, 2024/May 2024 Bank Reconciliation as well as past payrolls. First motion to pass by Vice President Jeff Smead, seconded by Councilman Wilmer Delagrange.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:18PM

NEXT MEETING

Next meeting will be July 17, 2024 at 7:00PM at 13717 First Street Grabill, IN 46741

Submitted by:
Stephanie J. Smith
Clerk-Treasurer
Town of Grabill



Approved by:
Claude E. Schrock
Town President
Town of Grabill

