

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF
THE CORPORATION OF LIBERTY, INDIANA
April 15, 2024**

The Town Council of the Town of Liberty, Indiana met in regular session on April 15, 2024 at the Town's Street Department Garage.

Town Council Vice President Dereck Tipton called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL

Present were: Jerry Kahl, Derrek Jenkins and Ross Keasling

Also in attendance was Melissa Shepler, Clerk-Treasurer; Matt Reuss, Kenny and Marsha Eldridge.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Kahl made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 1, 2024 regular meeting. Mr. Jenkins supported the motion. Upon a vote viva voce, motion passed.

ORDINANCES

RESOLUTIONS

Mr. Keasling made a motion to approve Resolution 2024-7. Mr. Kahl supported the motion. Upon a vote viva voce, motion passed.

DEPARTMENT HEADS

MISC. BUSINESS

Mr. Reuss discussed with the Council the possibility of erecting "no parking" signs and painting the curb yellow on the south side of Brownsville Avenue from the duplex next to Big Boyz Pizza to West Street. Chief Dickenson and Officer Bryant approached Mr. Reuss about the situation. It has become a problem where cars are parking on both sides of the street, which makes it a tight fit for regular vehicles, let alone the semis leaving the paint company or emergency services vehicles. The Council tabled the discussion until the first meeting of the month since Chief Dickenson will be in attendance. Ms. Shepler stated that she would go ahead and put the no parking on the south side of Brownsville Avenue in Ordinance form on first reading at that meeting so if the Council decides to do it, they will not have to wait until the next meeting to approve it.

Kenny and Marsha Eldridge, who reside at 407 East Union Street, appeared before the Council to request a "handicap parking spot" to be located in front of their home, as they are both disabled. Also, they requested the possibility of adding another handicap parking spot in front of the school's auditorium. Mr. Reuss informed the Council that he and the maintenance staff for the school had been told that the school's responsibility for maintaining the street started at the columns that were once the opening to Davis Park. Ms. Shepler stated that she and Mr. Reuss discussed the situation earlier in the day. She does not know if the line of where the responsibilities begin and end between the Town and School is implied or in writing. After a brief discussion, the Council decided to have Ms. Shepler and Mr. Reuss look into the property line issue and discuss it further with the Town Attorney.

Ms. Shepler informed the Council that Mr. Reuss had worked with Buckeye Power Service on the Town Hall's generator. Unfortunately, the Town had received a quote of over \$ 22,000.00 to fix the bladder, that holds the gas, from when it was punctured several years ago by the gas delivery company. Mr. Keasling asked Mr. Reuss to see if an external tank can be installed at a less expensive price. Also, could there be some savings if the County would allow the Town to use its, equipment to lift the generator rather than Buckeye bringing a lift from Ohio?

Mr. Keasling made a motion to approve the adjustment of \$ 774.90 for Jimmy Morgan. Mr. Jenkins supported the motion. Upon a vote viva voce, motion passed.

ADJOURN

There being no further business, on a motion made by Mr. Keasling and supported by Mr. Jenkins the meeting was adjourned.