

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TOWN CODE CHAPTER 26, ADMINISTRATION,
ARTICLE V. FINANCE, WITH THE ADDITION OF A NEW SECTION 2-186,
PAYMENT OF CLAIMS PRIOR TO COUNCIL APPROVAL**

WHEREAS, I.C. 36-1-3-2 confers upon all local units the powers that they need for the operation of government as to local affairs; and

WHEREAS, I.C. 36-1-3-6(b)(1) prescribes any such exercise of power shall be authorized through enactment of an ordinance by the legislative body; and

WHEREAS, the Town of Griffith is a municipal government located in Lake County, Indiana, which may pass and codify ordinances for its operation, all pursuant to I.C. 36-1-4 and I.C. 36-1-5; and

WHEREAS, the Town Council of the Town of Griffith has determined that occasions arise in which certain types of claims must be paid prior to the approval of claims by the Town Council at regularly scheduled meetings; and

WHEREAS, I.C. 36-5-4-12 authorizes the Town Council to adopt an ordinance allowing money to be disbursed for lawful Town purposes under the provisions set out therein.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Town Council of the Town of Griffith, Lake County, Indiana, that Town Code Chapter 2, Administration, Article V, Finance, be amended with the addition of a new Section 2-186, **Payment of Claims Prior to Council Approval**, which shall be hereinafter read as follows:

Section 2-186. Payment of Claims Prior to Council Approval.

Pursuant to the provisions of I.C. 36-5-4-12, *et. seq.*, the Clerk-Treasurer is hereby authorized to make claim payments in advance of Council approval.

Each payment of expenses under this Section must be supported by a fully itemized invoice or bill and certification by the Clerk-Treasurer.

The Town Council shall review and allow the claim at the Council's next regular or special meeting following the pre-approved payment of the expenses.

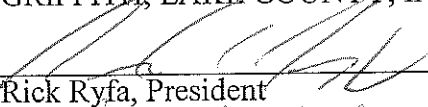
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that any and all such Ordinances or parts of Ordinances of the Town of Griffith that are in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed and of no further force or effect.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect after its passage and posting in accordance with I.C. 36-5-2-10.

ORDINANCE NO. 2017- 35

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Town Council for the Town of Griffith, Lake County, Indiana this 16th day of MAY, 2017.

COUNCIL MEMBERS OF THE TOWN OF
GRIFFITH, LAKE COUNTY, INDIANA


Rick Ryfa, President



James Marker

ABSENT
Larry Ballah


Melissa Robbins


Tony Hobson

Attest:


John C. Volkmann
Clerk-Treasurer