

December 14, 2023

TOWN OF GRIFFITH TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES

Council President Rick Ryfa called the December 14, 2023, meeting to order at 4:02 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

POLICE OFFICERS KILLED IN THE LINE OF DUTY:

ROLL CALL:

James Marker - Absent
Lawrence Ballah
Rick Ryfa
Tony Hobson
Melissa Robbins - Absent

ALSO ATTENDING:

Gina Smith- Clerk Treasurer
Greg Mance -- Chief of Police - Absent
Steve McDermott – Building Commissioner
Alfredo Estrada – Attorney for the Town
Roy Schoon – Fire Chief - Absent
Andy Raab – Director of Public Works - Absent

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Council Member Tony Hobson made a motion to approve the minutes of the December 5, 2023, as presented, seconded by Council Member Larry Ballah, all in favor, Motion Carried.

APPROVAL OF CLAIMS: NONE

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. The next Town Council Meeting will be on Tuesday, December 19, 2023, at 7:00 pm. There will be a study session before the meeting at 6:30 pm, and one will follow if necessary.

COMMUNICATIONS: NONE

REPORTS:

- Public Works – No Report
- Police – No Report
- Fire – No Report
- Building Commissioner – No Report
- Finance Report – No Report

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS:

Jeff Csonka: Disappointed in how this meeting is going, the time of the meeting, Times ad, no agenda on website, \$1.4 million additional appropriations.

Diane Jerome: Did you know the appropriations were over?

BUSINESS FROM THE COUNCIL: NONE

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Ordinance 023-42: Additional Appropriations:** Council President Rick Ryfa opened the Public Hearing at 4:11 pm, no comments, Public Hearing closed at 4:12 pm. Council Member Tony Hobson read Ordinance 2023-42. Council Member Tony Hobson made a motion to suspend the rules to adopt Ordinance 2023-42, seconded by

Council Member Larry Ballah, Roll Call, Larry Ballah, in favor, Rick Ryfa, in favor, Tony Hobson, in favor, rules are suspended, Council Member Tony Hobson made the motion to adopt Ordinance 2023-42, seconded by Council Member Larry Ballah, all in favor, Motion Carried


Pending Items: NONE

Public Comment: NONE

There being no further business to come before this Council, the meeting adjourned to 4:15 p.m.


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


Rick Ryfa - President


Lawrence Ballah - Vice President


James Marker


Tony Hobson


Melissa Robbins


Attest: Gina Smith - Clerk Treasurer