

December 4, 2023

The Town Council of the Town of Middlebury met in regular session at the Town Hall, Middlebury, IN at 6:00 pm, December 4, 2023. The meeting was called to order by Council President, Miranda Cripe. All in attendance took part in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Upon the roll call, the following members of the Council were present:

Miranda Cripe, Dan Shoup, Chuck Teall – Scott Miller and Karl Miller were absent

Also present were Mary Cripe, Town Manager, Jackson Beck, Attorney and Peggy Hutchison, Clerk/Treasurer.

Peggy Hutchison called all the votes so Miranda Cripe could vote.

MINUTES:

Chuck Teall moved to approve the minutes from the November 20, 2023 meeting. Dan Shoup seconded, and the motion passed with a voice vote.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

The leaf vac truck was involved in an accident and sustained damage.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE VOUCHERS:

The following Accounts Payable Vouchers were reviewed and approved on a motion by Dan Shoup and seconded by Chuck Teall. The motion passed with a voice vote.

Accounts Payable Voucher – Payroll 11/30/2023	\$145,803.59
Accounts Payable Voucher – November Month end	\$324,668.79
Accounts Payable Voucher – December 4, 2023	\$523,906.89

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Miranda Cripe opened the bids for the River Mill Trail Project. The bids are attached. Chuck Teall motioned to take the bids under advisement and Dan Shoup seconded. This passed with a voice vote.

Jackson Beck introduced Ordinance No 345-H – “Water Rate Ordinance, an Ordinance Amending and Establishing Rates and Charges for the Use of and Services Rendered by the Waterworks System of the Town of Middlebury, Indiana”. The rates are based on the rate study conducted by Baker Tilly. The public hearing will be held on December 18, 2023. Chuck Teall motioned to accept and approve the introduction of Ordinance No. 345-H and Dan Shoup seconded. This passed with a voice vote.

Also introduced was Ordinance No. 694 - “Sewer Rate Ordinance, An Ordinance amending a schedule of rates and charges to be collected by the Town of Middlebury from the owners of property served by the sewage works of said Town and other matters connected therewith.” The

rates are based on the rate study conducted by Baker Tilly. The public hearing will be held on December 18, 2023. Dan Shoup motioned to accept and approve the introduction of Ordinance No. 345-H and Chuck Teall seconded. This passed with a voice vote.

NEW BUSINESS:

Mary Cripe and Cole McClain are requesting approval to purchase spare pumps for Spring Valley and Rass 4 & 5. The parts require a six (6) month lead time. The cost of the pumps is \$35,642.00 and the purchase request is for up to \$38,000.00. After some discussion, Dan Shoup motioned to approve the purchase request and Chuck Teall seconded. This passed with a voice vote.

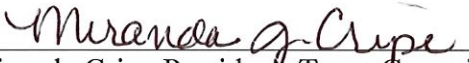
Mary Cripe presented Change Order No. 1 from Freedom Builders for the Public Works Building expansion. The change order is for an extension of the completion date. They are requesting a new completion date of January 30, 2024. Dan Shoup motioned to approve Change Order No. 1 and Chuck Teall seconded. This passed with a voice vote.

Jackson Beck explained the Grant of Easement between the Town of Middlebury and Marcia Garrison Taylor. This easement is for property located 11872 County Road 12, Middlebury, IN. He is requesting the Council approve and accept the easement. Dan Shoup motioned to accept and approve the easement and Chuck Teall seconded. This passed with a voice vote.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- a. Elk. Co. Redevelopment Commission Meeting on December 7, 2023, at 2:00pm at Elk. Co. Adm. Bldg.
- b. Elk. Co. Plat Committee Meeting on December 14, 2023 at 9:00am at Elk. Co. Adm. Bldg.
- c. Elk. Co. Plan Commission Meeting on December 14, 2023 at 9:30am at Elk. Co. Adm. Bldg.
- d. Elk. Co. Board of Zoning Hearing Officer on December 20, 2023 at 8:30am at Elk. Co. Adm. Bldg.
- e. Park Board Meeting on December 20, 2023 at 3pm at Town Hall
- f. Redevelopment Commission Meeting on December 21, 2023 at 7:45am at Town Hall
- g. Elk. Co. Board of Zoning Appeals Meeting on December 21, 2023 at 8:30am at Elk. Co. Adm. Bldg.
- h. Town Council Meeting on December 18, 2023 at 6pm at Town Hall

The meeting was adjourned.


Miranda Cripe President, Town Council

ATTEST:


Peggy A. Hutchison, Clerk-Treasurer

River Mill Trail
 Job No. 2019-0014
 Bid Due Date: December 4, 2023

Contractor	Base Bid	Alternate A	Alternate B	Alternate C	Alternate D	Alternate E
C & E Excavating	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
2. Milestone Contractors North Inc.	\$ 1,085,000.00	\$ 37,000.00	\$ 110,000.00	\$ 206,000.00	\$ 242,000.00	\$ 106,000.00
1. Niblock Excavating	\$ 993,070.50	\$ 28965.00	\$ 97040.00	\$ 166380.00	\$ 208797.50	\$ 85592.50
3. Reith Riley Construction Co., Inc.	\$ 882,686.25	\$ 29,301.40	\$ 79,922.35	\$ 152,464.85	\$ 166,233.35	\$ 103,894.80
Selge Construction	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$