

WANATAH TOWN COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES
August 7th, 2025
6:30 pm

PRESENT: Councilman Howell, President Mayo, Councilman Sutton, Vice President Newburn, Clerk/Treasurer Ebert & Attorney Shoffner.

ABSENT: None

GUESTS: Kimberly Weinkauff, Brent Weincauff, Brad Ebert, Chuck Jonas, Chuck Mack, Justin Higginson, Dwayne Tate, Jeff Mitzner & Daniel Timm.

Call To Order:

- President Mayo called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.
The Pledge of Allegiance was held.

Roll Call:

- President Mayo –Here, Councilman Howell-Here, Councilman Sutton - Here, Vice President Newburn-Here, A quorum is present.

Correspondence

- Nathan Howell resigns from the BZA.

Appointments Needed

- President Mayo discussed that there were several appointments that need to be filled. Such as Planning Commission, Traffic Commission, Town Council and now the BZA. President Mayo asked Attorney Shoffner if we were past the 30 day's to where the Council could now appoint a replacement for the Town Council's seat. Attorney Shoffner said he believed that we were but would give him clarification once he confirmed that.

Approval of Meeting Minutes:

- Motion by Councilman Sutton; Second by Councilman Howell to approve the minutes of July 3rd, 2025 Public Hearing. Vote was taken. All Ayes. Minutes were approved as presented.
- Motion by Councilman Sutton; Second by Vice President Newburn to approve the minutes of July 3rd, 2025 Regular Meeting. Vote was taken. All Ayes. Minutes were approved as presented.

Officer's Reports

- Plan Commission – No Report
- BZA – No Report
- Traffic Commission – No Report
- Park Board – President Newburn reported that they met last month and that there is still discussion to replace the bridge.
- Animal Control – No Report.
- Building Commissioner-Clerk Treasurer Ebert read the report as follows; 1 Driveway, 2 Contractor Registrations, 1 Remodel, 3 Porch, Patio, Decks, 1 Sign and 1 Electrical Upgrade for a total of \$974.50.

Clerk's Office Reports

- Personnel Committee –No Report
- Facilities Coordinator – No Report
- NIRPC –No Report
- Other –Clerk Treasurer Ebert reported that our renewal for the Town's Insurance would increase by 25%. However our agent did some comparison shopping and found a company that was \$4,000 cheaper than what we currently have and very comparable in coverage to what we already have.

Public Works

- Chuck Mack reported the following:
 - They did purchase a Mini Hoe and got a great deal on the trailer that went with it for \$2,500.
 - Reed Beds were excavated by Wealing Brothers LLC that were hauled to their Bio-Solids Center to be then used for Land use. That cost was \$35,000.
 - Needed approval for a Well Field Protection Plan and must update by next year and the estimated cost would be \$2,500. Motion by Councilman Howell; Second by Vice President Newburn to approve this plan.
 - Mack spoke to Lou with VS Engineering and the plans are complete for the Wastewater Treatment Plant. They will meet next Tuesday August 12th, 2025 to approve plans and send to IDEM.

New Business

- Motion by Vice President Newburn; Second by Councilman Howell to approve the Boring Application for Ferguson Michiana Construction.
- Motion by Vice President Newburn; Second by Councilman Sutton to deny the Boring Application for JL Contracting Communications, LLC due to the fact that they failed to submit their Bond.

Unfinished Business

- Motion by Councilman Sutton; Second by Councilman Howell to approve the Cass-Clinton Fire Department Contract with a 5% increase.
- Motion by Vice President Newburn; Second by Councilman Sutton to approve Ordinance 07-2025 Redistricting the Towns Election Boundaries.
- Motion by Councilman Sutton; Second by President Newburn to approve the Indiana Waste Disposal Contract.

Financial Report and Claims Approval

- Motion by Councilman Sutton Second by Councilman Howell to approve the claims as presented. Vote was taken. All Ayes.

Any Other Business to come before the Council

- Kim Weinkauff came before the Town Council seeking their approval to have the 2025 Scarecrow Festival in our town this year. She presented the council with the agenda of her needs for the time of September 25th-28th. Motion by Vice President Newburn; Second by Councilman Sutton to approve her plans for the Scarecrow Festival.

Public Comment

- Daniel Timm went before the Council to represent Mark Esiyesden regarding that storage container. After careful consideration, they realized that to fix the container per the Councils request would cost too much money, so they have decided to get rid of it and ask the Council if they could replace it with a Pre-Fabric building from Yoders. Discussion was had and they have until December 31st, 2025 to make these changes and

- get the required permits. Motion by Councilman Howell; Second by Councilman Newburn to approve these changes.
- Councilman Howell reported that he would like to work on getting the Town Specs for the Boring Applications. All agreed.

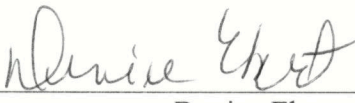
Adjournment

President Mayo asked for a motion to adjourn.

Motion by Vice President Newburn; Second by Councilman Sutton. A vote was taken. All Ayes.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:50 PM.

ATTEST:



Denise Ebert
Clerk-Treasurer

