

CITY OF INDIAN HILLS  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
December 20, 2023 Minutes of Regular Meeting  
Louisville Boat Club  
6:00 p.m.

PRESENT:

Mayor: Chip Hancock

Council: Bob Astorino, Sr.  
Ann Dreisbach  
Laura Dunbar  
David Ferguson  
Lee Garlove  
John Harralson, III (626)  
Chip Hayward, Jr.  
Lee Maddox  
Kay Matton

Attorney: Finn Cato

Public Works: Jim Graven

Police Chief:

ABSENT

Kelly Spratt

City Clerk: Donna M. Sinkhorn

- 1) Call to Order – Mayor Hancock called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
- 2) Recognize any visitors – None.
- 3) Minutes – November – Emailed - Councilor Matton moved to approve the November minutes as emailed, seconded by Councilor Astorino; none opposed.
- 4) Committee Reports – Emailed
  - (a) Finance (Dunbar)
    1. Report – November – Councilor Dunbar presented November’s financial report to Council.
    2. City & Police Disbursements – Approval – November

Councilor Matton moved to accept the November financial report as presented and to approve November city and police checks disbursed; seconded by Councilor Hayward; none opposed.

(b) Public Safety Report – Spratt & Garlove & Harralson

1. Police Report – None (Chief Spratt – absent from the meeting due to being sick. The Indian Hills Police Report, as part of the meeting packet, was distributed to Council and the Mayor told them if they had any questions, to please contact Chief Spratt)

(c) Public Works & Building – Graven

1. Public Works Director Graven stated that the city should thank Mr. Ackermann for taking care of the holiday lights and decorations throughout the city.

Mayor Hancock received a call from a Locust Hill resident asking why the Christmas lights had not been turned on. Mayor asked Mr. Graven if there were some outlets needing repaired. Mr. Graven stated that the complete underground was shot and unfortunately, it will not be able to get repaired before Christmas.

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2. Bid Opening Results – 12.20.23 – Masonry Road Repair – Poplar Hill Woods – Mayor Hancock informed Council that the bid opening for the masonry work was today. The city received one sealed bid in the amount of \$115,000. Discussion.

5) Other Reports

(a) Waste Management Report – Graven/Hancock

1. Review terms of service with Eco-Tech – January 1, 2024 – March 31, 2024 – Mayor Hancock asked if the Council approves to continue paying the fuel charge to Eco-tech. Councilor Garlove commented that fuel has gone done. Following discussion, Councilor Matton moved to continue paying the increase of \$3.01 per household through March 31, 2024, and if the fuel prices have gone down, the surcharge would be decreased; seconded by Councilor Astorino; none opposed.

(b) Environment Committee – Maddox

1. Councilor Maddox reported that the tree program is slow getting started. In response to Councilor Matton’s question, they have not been able to plant the new trees yet due to the drought.

6) Council Members Comments - None

7) Old Business - None

8) New Business - None

9) Legal – Cato

(a) Flock Cameras - Municipal Order No. 9, Series 2023 – Councilor Dunbar introduced, Attorney Cato read, and Councilor Astorino moved to approve a five-year service contract at \$30,000 per year with Flock Group, Inc., for police automatic license plate detection using CARES Act funds; seconded by Councilor Ferguson. Mayor Hancock proceeded to take the following roll call vote:

Mr. Astorino	Yea	Mr. Harralson	Yea
Ms. Dreisbach	Yea	Mr. Hayward	Yea
Ms. Dunbar	Yea	Mr. Maddox	Yea
Mr. Ferguson	Yea	Ms. Matton	Yea
Mr. Garlove	Yea		

Motion passed unanimously. (Municipal Order No. 9, Series 2023)

- 10) Mayor’s Comments – Mayor Hancock thanked the Council, Jim Graven, and the other staff members for their work throughout the year.

- 11) Adjournment – Councilor Hayward moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:17 p.m.; seconded by Councilor Maddox, none opposed.

Next Meeting:  
Wednesday – January 17, 2024  
6:00 p.m.

/S/ \_\_\_\_\_  
Chip Hancock, Mayor

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Donna M. Sinkhorn, City Clerk