TOWN OF NEW RICHMOND

110 South Wabash Street, PO Box 210, New Richmond, IN 47967 Ph. 765-339-4507 Clerk@nrtown.com

Work Session Meeting

September 28, 2023 5:30 p.m.

Roll Call: Present, President Minnie Howard, Council Member Linda Forbes, Rachelle Cowherd and

Clerk/Treasurer Alaathea Foust.

Present: Town Marshal Jeremy Minor

There were discussions on:

Mobile Home Ordinance 2005-1, Council talked about amending this ordinance to allow double wide mobile homes and manufactured homes in the Town of New Richmond, also talked about restricting it to a home no older than 7 years old from the current year, along with other things. The Council decided they need to act on this as soon as possible.

Campers and RV, they talked about giving permission to the residents to use these as a temporary living quarters for certain reasons, such as building a home, for family in the summer and other things, but no permanent living residents are allowed.

Building Permit Ordinance that would require resident to notify the Town when they plan to build on their property so that the Town can make sure that they are not building on a right-away or easement. The permit will show that the Town Superintendent and/or Water/Wastewater Superintendent has signed off and the resident has permission to build.

Minimum water base rate increase, Alaathea F. said the Keystone-Utility program is having problems calculating the new minimum base rate \$32.25 to the next level of usage, which is 1001-2000 gallons for \$42.70, because of the different of \$10.45. Where all of the other levels are a different of \$7.25 per step. After some discussion on this the Council agreed to amend the ordinance to increase the minimum base rate to \$35.45.

ADA Transition Plan for Community Crossings, Alaathea F. told the Council in the near future we will need to have this done to qualify for Community Crossings grants in the future.

Traffic Ordinance, some discussion on moving forward with this ordinance and amending it later for speeding fines.

Purchasing Policy Ordinance, Alaathea F. talked about having this ordinance in place would be beneficial to the Town Council.

Alaathea presented the Town Council with a Consulting & Service Agreement once she leaves office at the end of December 2023. If the next Clerk/Treasurer is in need of training or help with the office.

Alaathea F. told the Town Council that the Christmas decorations that are on the light poles are in need of repair for new garland and lights, she will check on pricing for these.

Cameras for the Park, there was no follow up with Haley's Lock and Key in regards to their quote for the additional cameras.

Rachelle C. said the electric pole with the siren on it is showing signs of breaking and need some attention right away. Alaathea F. said she will ask Tipmont if this is their pole.

Rachelle C. made the motion to adjourn the meeting, Minnie H. seconded the motion, Minnie H. called for a vote, motion carried.

President Minnie Howard

Attest: Clerk/Treasurer Alaathea Foust

Council Member Linda Forbes

Council Member Rachelle Cowherd