

State of Indiana
Greene County
City of Linton

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
May 13, 2024 - 6:00 P.M.

WELCOME – OPENING OF MEETING
Mayor Preble opened the meeting at 6 p.m.

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

ROLL CALL
Linda Bedwell, Greg Sapp, Tony Richards, Ed Singleton and
Leslie Newman.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES
A motion was made by Linda Bedwell to approve the April 9th minutes, 2nd by
Greg Sapp. 5 Ayes, passed.

APPROVAL OF CLAIMS PROPERLY SIGNED
A motion to approve the claims properly signed was made by Linda Bedwell,
2nd by Leslie Newman. 5 Ayes, passed.

APPROVAL OF FUND & APPROPRIATION REPORT
A motion to approve the fund and appropriation report was made by Tony
Richards, 2nd by Linda Bedwell. 5 Ayes, passed.

APPROVAL OF THE PAYROLL ALLOWANCE DOCKET
A motion was made to approve the allowance docket by Linda Bedwell, 2nd by
Ed Singleton.

NEW BUSINESS

Vacate Alley – Aaron Hale
The Regular Council ceased and the public hearing was started to vacate a
portion of a platted alley filed by Aaron Hale. No comments were made at the
public hearing. Public hearing closed , the regular council meeting resumed.

Ordinance 2024-06 to vacate a portion of a platted alley was approved by Linda Bedwell, 2nd by Tony Richards. 5 ayes, passed

Aim Medical Trust

Clerk-Treasurer Claudia Walker stated packets with information regarding the changing of insurance from Anthem to Aim Medical Trust had been previously given to council members to review. Mayor Preble stated that he, Brent Slover and Clerk-Treasurer Claudia Walker have extensively looked into Aim Medical Trust. The insurance offers basically the same benefits, if not better at a lower cost than Anthem. It will be a saving of approximately \$165,000.00 to the city in premiums alone. The new insurance will begin on July 1, 2024, for 18 months and then the city will be on a regular schedule starting on January 1 of each year. The employees' deductibles for this year will be carried over to the new insurance. Linda Bedwell asked if this insurance would include the city council as in the past. The Clerk-Treasurer stated yes, the council would have the ability to add the benefits. The employees and union fully support the change in the insurance Mayor Preble stated. Clerk-Treasurer Claudia Walker stated by having the change made to January 1 will help with budgeting purposes and deduct. Mayor Preble is making a recommendation to transition from Anthem to the Aim Medical Trust. The motion was made by Gregg Sapp to approve the Aim Medical Trust and was seconded by Ed Singleton. 5 Ayes, passed.

DEPARTMENT HEADS REPORTING

Fire Chief Eric Carpenter reported a multiple structure fire at Liberty Place apartments. The Linton Fire Department was able to contain the fire quickly. With the assistance from the Linton Police Department, they were able to rescue two occupants from the fire with one person from an upstairs apartment. He wanted to give a special thank you to the Linton Police Department, Switz City Fire Department, Greene County Ambulance, and the Wright Township Fire Department. Linton Fire Department also was trained recently in grain bin rescue as well which is a yearly training. CPR training will be on May 16th. LFD for the month of April had 102 calls they responded to, 80 medical calls, 13 fire calls, and 9 other calls.

Operations Manager Brent Murray stated that all departments have been busy this month. The water department has been especially busy with water leaks the last two weeks. Electric Department is streaming lines and putting

up poles. Paving in town is being done by the city and not part of the community crossings. Community Crossings will start in August or September. The Clean-up Day for Linton went extremely well. Linda Bedwell asked if there would be another day this year. Mayor Preble said there is a possibly of another day this year. Brent also stated that on Tire Amnesty Day there were 506 tires taken in just from Linton. Brent stated they are now getting ready for the 4th of July.

Mayor Preble also gave praise to the water department for all their extra work recently.

Linda Bedwell stated that the Wabash Valley Correctional prisoners came and painted the AM Risher pool inside and outside and were able to get quite a bit of work done as well as cleaning. Jill Bohnert will manage the pool and Corrine Gainey and Alden Swaby will be assistant managers. The pool is scheduled to open on Memorial Day.


PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mayor Preble stated public comments will be limited to 3 minutes.

Craig Hendry stated concerns over the Linton Police Department.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Linda Bedwell and 2nd by Ed Singleton. 5 Ayes, passed.



Mayor John Preble



Clerk-Treasurer Claudia Walker