

**MINUTES OF MEETING OF TOWN COUNCIL  
TOWN OF BREMEN, INDIANA  
October 23, 2023**

The Town Council of the Town of Bremen, Indiana, met in regular session at 4:30 p.m. on Tuesday, October 23, 2023, at the Bremen Town Hall pursuant to notice previously published. The Council recited the Pledge of Allegiance. Council members William Daily, Michael Leman, and James Leeper were present. Also present were Keith Fraine, Director of Operations; Henry Aguayo, Superintendent of the Water Department; Chief Brad Kile, Police Department; Matt Cunningham, Superintendent of the Wastewater Department; Brian Main, Superintendent of the Park Department; Chief Matt Neher, Fire Department; Nate Lockwood, Cemetery Sexton; Ken Jones, Town Engineer; Janet Anglemyer, Clerk-Treasurer; and Anthony Wagner, Town Attorney.

**MINUTES:** Mr. Leeper made a motion to approve the minutes of the October 10, 2023 meeting, which was seconded by Mr. Leman and carried by a vote of 3 ayes, 0 nays.

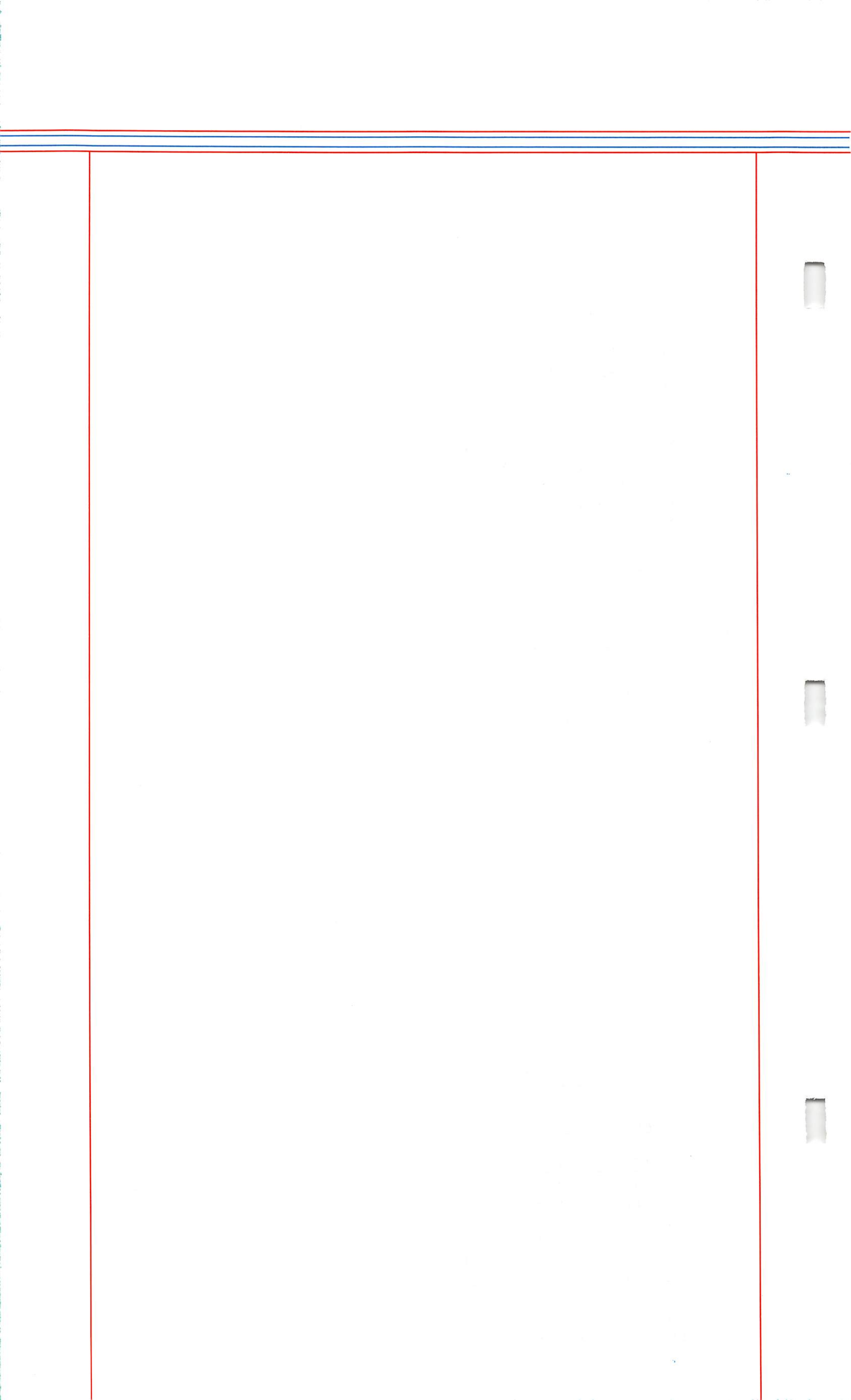
**CLERK-TREASURER:** Ms. Anglemyer submitted the docket of claims without amendment; Mr. Leeper made a motion to approve the docket as submitted, which was seconded by Mr. Leman and carried by a vote of 3 ayes, 0 nays. Ms. Anglemyer then asked the Council to approve the services agreement for Priority Project Resources regarding the aquatics facility project. Mr. Leman made a motion to approve the agreement, which was seconded by Mr. Leeper and carried by a vote of 3 ayes, 0 nays. Ms. Anglemyer also asked the Council to approve the proposed 2024 employee insurance package and noted that it contained a 5.5% increase over 2023 but would add a vision policy. She and Mr. Fraine also noted that the initial increase was for 12%. Mr. Leman made a motion to approve the proposal, which was seconded by Mr. Leeper and carried by a vote of 3 ayes, 0 nays.

**TOWN ATTORNEY:** Mr. Wagner presented Ordinance 12-2023 regarding virtual meetings and virtual attendance of meetings. Mr. Wagner explained that he believed that it would be useful to have this policy on hand in the event that Mr. Graverson's absence continued since the Council has no margin for achieving a quorum in the event of another absence. The Council discussed the ordinance. Mr. Leman made a motion to declare an emergency and approve Ordinance 12-2023 on three readings, which was seconded by Mr. Leeper and carried by a vote of 3 ayes, 0 nays. Mr. Wagner then asked the Council if they wished to proceed with the third reading of the Golf Cart Ordinance. The Council asked Mr. Wagner to determine a final fee amount with Mr. Fraine, clarify the registration inspection, make the registration non-transferable upon sale of the golf cart, and to create a registration form for office use. Mr. Wagner suggested that the Council consider the ordinance for third reading at the first November meeting.

**OLD BUSINESS:** No old matters were brought before the Council.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** Mike Reese appeared on behalf of the Troyer Group to address the bids for the aquatics center project. He recommended the Council accept the bid from Brown & Brown, Inc., for \$2,812,000.00 plus the alternate packages in the amount of \$29,000.00 and \$23,300.00, respectively, for a total award of \$2,864,000.00. Mr. Leman made a motion to accept the bid from Brown & Brown, Inc. in the total amount of \$2,864,000.00, which was seconded by Mr. Leeper and carried by a vote of 3 ayes, 0 nays.

Mr. Reese also shared a proposed design for the pickleball court through the READI grant. He explained that the estimated cost for the project was \$385,000.00 for



construction, but there was a margin of \$45,000.00 - \$50,000.00 that could be used for a pavilion, additional seating, or other enhancements. Mr. Daily asked whether additional sound barriers would be needed. Mr. Reese replied that the current design already had mounding and trees, and that the site was chosen to be further away from the surrounding neighborhoods. Mr. Main added that the new courts were further away from the closest housing as compared to the tennis courts. Mr. Reese and Mr. Main shared other considerations, including where the lights would be added to the project. Mr. Leman asked whether the shown parking was sufficient, and Mr. Main and Mr. Reese replied that the existing parking was not much different from the access to the tennis courts. Several members of the Pickleball Club in attendance confirmed that the parking appeared to be suitable. Mr. Daily asked if bleachers would be added for spectators and Mr. Main stated it would make sense to bring them in for events initially. Mr. Leman also asked whether the courts could be located further north to be closer to parking, but Mr. Reese explained that the site was selected as a point of higher ground and further from one of the nearby neighborhoods.

**DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS:** Mr. Fraine submitted his report and asked the Council to appoint Brian Shumaker to the Plan Commission to replace Steve Klapp. Mr. Leeper made a motion to appoint Mr. Shumaker to the Plan Commission, which was seconded Mr. Leman and carried by a vote of 3 ayes, 0 nays. Mr. Fraine reported that the Jackson Street project should have finished blacktop by Wednesday, but that the pavilion would now be delivered later in mid-November. He stated he was unsure how long it would take to construct the pavilion, but that the flat work would be done next week and that the project remained on schedule other than the pavilion delay.

**DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:**

Mr. Aguayo had no new information to report on behalf of the Water Department.

Chief Kile told the Council that the Traffic Committee had met and recommended stop signs and a no-left turn sign to be added to the Jackson Street project. The Council took the recommendations under advisement.

Chief Neher had no new information to report on behalf of the Fire Department.

Mr. Cunningham had no new information to report on behalf of the Wastewater Department.

Mr. Main had no new information to report on behalf of the Park Department.

Mr. Lockwood had no new information to report on behalf of the Cemetery Department.

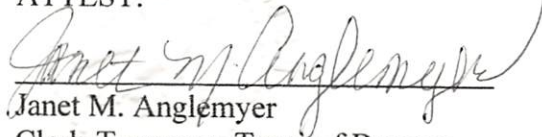
Mr. Leman made a motion to approve the Department Head Reports, which was seconded by Mr. Leeper and carried by a vote of 3 ayes, 0 nays.


**TOWN ENGINEER:** Mr. Jones updated the Council regarding the wastewater treatment plant/interceptor project

**COUNCIL COMMENTS:** No council comments were offered.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Mr. Leman made a motion to adjourn the meeting, which was seconded by Mr. Leeper and carried by a vote of 3 ayes, 0 nays.

ATTEST:

  
Janet M. Anglemeyer  
Clerk-Treasurer, Town of Bremen

  
William Daily, President

