

**ST. JOHN TOWN COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING AGENDA
TOWN HALL MEETING ROOM - 10955 W. 93RD AVENUE
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2023 - 7:00 PM**

1. CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

2. ROLL CALL

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

Note: Please keep your comments civil and constructive and related to public policy issues. Each speaker may comment on matters concerning the business of the Town of St. John and shall maintain a decorum of civility. All comments must be directed to the Town Council President. The public comment section is intended for receipt of a statement or statements, not an exchange with the members of the public body conducting the public meeting. In the event questions are posed, we will note your question in the meeting minutes, and we will refer your question to the appropriate department head or staff for follow up and response.

The Council will not tolerate individuals who become boisterous, delay, or interrupt the proceedings or orderly process of the meetings, including but not limited to outbursts and cat calls. Individuals who engage in such behavior will be escorted from the meeting and may be barred from future meetings. The Town Council President, pursuant to ordinance, is authorized to take all appropriate action to restore order.

Each speaker is allowed one opportunity to speak for up to three (3) minutes and may not engage in name calling, debate, counter-replies, or rebuttals. Speakers will be timed by the Town Council President. Public Comment period limited to 30 minutes.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Town Council Regular Meeting – August 23, 2023

5. PUBLIC HEARING

A. Ordinances 1808 A-C: Ordinances for the **2024 Municipal Budget** for Civil Town, Sanitary District and Water District as part of said

Proofs of Publication – Town Attorney

Opening Remarks – Financial Advisors Cender Dalton

Open the Floor to Public Comment

Close the Floor

- i. Town Council Action – Motion to consider Ordinance No. **1808A** Civil Town Budget on first reading only
- ii. Town Council Action – Motion to consider Ordinance No. **1808B** Sanitary District Budget on first reading only
- iii. Town Council Action – Motion to consider Ordinance No. **1808C** Water District Budget on first reading only

Synopsis: These Ordinances have been duly published in accordance with State Law and a Public Hearing was held on today. These amounts appropriated by the

Town of St. John for the costs of personnel, equipment, supplies, and services rendered for the period of January 1, 2024 to December 31, 2024. This is before the Town Council for Public Hearing Adoption and First Reading only this evening. This is scheduled to be adopted by the Town Council at the October 25, 2023 meeting.

6. OLD BUSINESS

7. NEW BUSINESS

A. FINANCIAL MATTERS OF THE CORPORATION

- i. **Requests to Purchase** – There are a total of 5 Requests to Purchase in the combined total of **\$297,646.69** for approval.
- ii. **Accounts Payable Voucher** dated September 27, 2023 representing payment for payroll, purchases, supplies, equipment, services rendered to the Town of St. John in the combined total of **\$3,542,327.46**
- iii. **Consider Motion to Approve** progress payment to F.H. Paschen for the 93rd Avenue Project in the amount of \$46,083.07 and direct the Clerk-Treasurer to issue payment from 2020 GO Bond.
- iv. **Consider Motion to Approve** progress payment to First Group for Construction Engineering for the 93rd Avenue Project in the amount of \$50,482.70 and to direct the Clerk-Treasurer to issue payment form 2020 GO Bond

B. ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

- i. **Ordinance No. 1807:** An Ordinance Establishing the NIRPC/INDOT LPA Program Fund (#2405)

Consider Ordinance No. 1807 on First Reading

Motion to Adopt Ordinance No. 1807 on Second Reading

Synopsis: This ordinance establishes a fund for NIRPC/INDOT LPA Program Funds into which the Town Council will be required to appropriate additional funds from this fund.

- ii. **Resolution No. 2023-09-27A** a Resolution Providing for the Transfer of Appropriations for the various funds of the Town of St. John, Lake County, Indiana, for the Year 2023, for the Action and Passage by the Town Council Pursuant to IC 6-1.1-18-6 (Same Category *ARPA to ARPA Transfers*)
- iii. **Resolution No. 2023-09-27B** a Resolution Authorizing the Clerk-Treasurer's Office to file an Appeal for an Increase Above the Maximum Levy (Civil Town)
- iv. **Resolution No. 2023-09-27C** a Resolution Authorizing the Clerk-Treasurer's Office to file an Appeal for an Increase Above the Maximum Levy (Sanitary District)
- v. **Resolution No. 2023-09-27D** a Resolution Authorizing the Clerk-Treasurer's Office to file an Appeal for an Increase Above the Maximum Levy (Water District)

C. COUNCIL ACTION

- i. **Consider Motion to Approve and Declare Property Surplus** and authorize the disposition of such property by advertising its sale, or dispose of through any other means pursuant to Indiana law - 28 SCOTT brand self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA), which are 15 years old that are out of compliance and do not meet the NFPA standards
- ii. **Consider Motion to Approve Agreement** with CentralSquare Technologies, LLC and the Town of St. John for a term of two (2) years.
- iii. **Consider Motion to Approve Agreement** by and Mad Bomber Fire Works Production of LaPorte, Indiana and the Town of St. John.
- iv. **Consider Motion to Approve** Special Exception BZA at 9601 Industrial Drive, Suite A, St. John for Falling Sands Distillery, within an Industrial Zoning District
- v. **Consider Acceptance of Performance Surety** Bond in the amount of \$187,069.00 for St. John Commons Phase 1
- vi. **Consider Acceptance of Performance Surety** in the amount of \$5,500.00 for Continental, Unit 3
- vii. **Consider Acceptance of Performance Surety** in the amount of \$13,530.00 for The Gates of St. John, Unit 25
- viii. **Consider Acceptance of 3-Year Maintenance Letter of Credit** in the amount of \$256,481.70 for The Preserve, Unit 6

- ix. **Consider Motion to Approve** a Use Variance at 9321 Wicker Avenue, St. John for Clark Pediatric Dentistry within the US 41 Overlay District
- x. **Consider Motion to Approve** a Special Exception at 9525 Wicker Avenue, St. John for CLD Holdings within a C-2 Commercial Highway Zoning District.
- xi. **Consider Motion to Approve** a Use Variance at 9525 Wicker Avenue, St. John for CLD Holdings within the US 41 Overlay District
- xii. **Consider Motion to Approve** a Special Exception at 10845 Parrish Avenue, St. John for S.R. Ande with a C-2 Commercial Highway Zoning District and US 231 Overlay District

D. Information to be Accepted and Placed on File with the Clerk-Treasurer

- i. IDEM Permit Application – ANR Pipeline 10313 White Oak Avenue
- ii. Legal Notice – S.R. Ande LLC, 10845 Parrish Avenue
- iii. Legal Notice – Suncrest Christian Church, Park Place & 109th Avenue

8. STAFF REPORTS & CORRESPONDENCE

- A.** Clerk-Treasurer - Beth Hernandez
- B.** Town Engineer - Robinson Engineering, Ltd.
- C.** Town Manager - Joseph Wiszowaty
- D.** Town Council

9. ADJOURNMENT