

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF
THE CORPORATION OF LIBERTY, INDIANA
July 7, 2025**

The Town Council of the Town of Liberty, Indiana had regular meeting on July7, 2025 at the Town Administration building located at 101 Brownsville Avenue.

Mr. Bias called the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL

Present were: Dereck Tipton, Ross Keasling and Jerry Kahl.

Also in attendance was Melissa Shepler, Clerk-Treasurer; Jenny Brown, 911 Director and Matt Reuss.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Kahl made a motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of June 16, 2025. Mr. Keasling supported the motion. Upon a vote viva voce, motion passed.

ORDINANCES

RESOLUTIONS

DEPARTMENT HEADS

MISC. BUSINESS

911 Director, Jenny Brown appeared before the Council to discuss the use of the 800MHZ as the primary radio system for the County and the Town. Ms. Brown and Mr. Bias discussed the technicalities of moving to the 800 radios. Ms. Brown and the 800 MHZ vendor are appearing before the County next week to present moving to the service. Chief Dickenson had information regarding the costs of the radios in the Council packets. If the County approves moving to the 800 MHZ radios, the Council will discuss acquiring the radios at the next meeting.

Utilities Superintendent, Matt Reuss presented a three-year agreement from Buckey Power Sales for the service of the wastewater plant's generator. Mr. Tipton made a motion to approve the three-year agreement. Mr. Keasling supported the motion. Upon a vote viva voce, motion passed.

Mr. Reuss also presented INDOT'S plan to re-do the crosswalk at St. Bridget's Catholic Church where Mr. Payne performs his crossing guard duties. If the closure occurs while school is in session, it could cause transportation difficulties especially when dealing with the buses. Mr. Reuss informed the Council that project will not be let out until 2026 so the Town has time to review the plans and give feedback to the State. Mr. Bias requested that when the State does another Zoom meeting regarding the intersection, he requested that the school's transportation director be allowed to participate in the meeting.

Mr. Keasling made a motion to approve April's bank reconciliations. Mr. Tipton supported the motion. Upon a vote viva voce, motion passed.

Mr. Tipton made a motion to approve Dan Hubbard's request to partially close North Market Street on Saturday, July 12th for masonry repairs to the Union County Title Company. Mr. Tipton made a motion to approve the street closure request. Mr. Keasling supported the motion. Upon a vote viva voce, motion passed.

Ms. Shepler informed the Council that budget season has begun. She stated that due to the changes SB1 has brought to budgeting, she would be meeting with each department head to go through each appropriation line. Mr. Bias stated that once Ms. Shepler meets with the department heads, he and Mr. Tipton would like to meet with her to review their budget requests before bringing it to the full Council. Ms. Shepler's goal is to meet with the department heads next week.

ADJOURN

There being no further business, on a motion made by Mr. Keasling and supported by Mr. Tipton, the meeting was adjourned.

Dereck Tipton
Dereck Tipton, Vice President

ATTEST: Melissa Shepler
Melissa Shepler, Clerk-Treasurer