

**Town of Roann
Special Meeting
Meeting Minutes**

June 16, 2020

I. Call to order

Richard Morris called to order the Special Meeting of the Town of Roann at 7:00 p.m. on the 16th day of June, 2020 in the Roann Town Hall.

II. Roll call

The following persons were present: Richard Morris, James Pell, Jerry Nelson, Steve Hicks, Kristina Lynn, Tony Janeway, Robert "M" Ferguson Jr. and 4 citizens.

III. Special Meeting

Robert "M" Ferguson Jr., Clerk-Treasurer of the Town of Roann, explained the purpose of the Special Meeting, on June 3rd there were 4 certified letters mailed to Mr. Griffith with four different ordinance violations. Mr. Griffith then submitted a letter in writing to the Town Clerk's Office which was dated June 7, and fell within the 7 days requesting an extension to get these issues corrected. Robert "M" Ferguson Jr. notified the Town Board the next day on June 9th and the Board decided to have the Special Meeting one week later to give Mr. Griffith the chance to address the board of what kind of extension on each of the violations he is requesting. Richard Morris stated the Ordinance Violation for Grass and Weeds grown on property needs cut and removal of weeds. Mr. Griffith stated the grass has been mowed. After no further discussion, the Town Council extended to have the weeds cut by June 23rd, 2020. James Pell made a motion to grant the extension for Mr. Griffith till June 23, 2020 to have the weeds cut. Jerry Nelson seconded and the Town Council voted in favor 3-0. The Town Council advised the penalty of \$200.00 fine or actual expenses will occur if this is not completed by June 23, 2020.

Richard Morris stated the Ordinance Violation for trash and rubbish is needed to be taken care of. Mr. Griffith advised other than fire wood and window air conditioner all has been taken care of. After no further discussion, James Pell made a motion to extend the removal of trash and rubbish including the window air conditioner by June 23, 2020. Jerry Nelson seconded and the Town Council voted in favor 3-0.

Richard Morris stated the Ordinance Violation for abandoned or dismantled vehicles, Blue Ford Van and Red Ford Pick-up is needing attention. Mr. Griffith stated the Blue Ford Van runs and is registered and plated. Mr. Griffith also advised the Red Ford Pick-up starts and runs and is not registered at this time.

After no further discussion, James Pell made a motion to extend Mr. Griffith to register and plate the Red Ford Pick-Up to have completed by June 23, 2020. Jerry Nelson seconded and the Town Council voted in favor 3-0. The Town Council requested Mr. Griffith to keep the Town Council informed on the status of the registration on the Red Ford Pick-Up.

Richard Morris stated the Ordinance Violation of Bee Hives needs to be moved 25 feet from property lines. Mr. Griffith stated his Bee Hives cannot physically be moved to within 25 feet of property lines and goes against State law. Mr. Lyons, a Roann citizen, advised the concern of bees stinging when using there swimming pool next to the property of Mr. Griffith. Mr. Lyons also stated there is no water source for the bees, so the bees navigate to their pool which affects the use of their pool. A representative from Friendly Bee Keepers Group of Fishers, Indiana spoke about bee keeping in Fishers, Indiana.

After much discussion, Mr. Griffith and Mr. Lyons agreed to provide a water source for the bees to fly to and agree to move the bee hives back as far as possible from the property lines. After no further discussion, Jerry Nelson made a motion to table any further action with regard to the violation notice, and delay any enforcement of the violation of bee hives until further review and be in compliance with the State Statutes. James Pell seconded and the Town Council voted in favor 3-0.

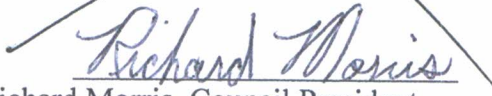
Adjournment

Richard Morris adjourned the Special Meeting at **8:18 p.m.**

Minutes respectfully submitted by:


Robert "M" Ferguson Jr., IAMC, Clerk/Treasurer

Minutes approved by:


Richard Morris, Council President