

City of Kinmundy
Regular Council Meeting

April 10, 2025

Call to Order-The regular meeting of the Kinmundy City Council was called to order by Mayor Angela Diss with the saying of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call-Members of the City Council present were Emily Hassebrock, Donna Smith, Corey Thompson, Amy Davis, Curt Jones, and Gary Cooper.

Approval of Bills and Minutes-The motion was made by Amy Davis and seconded by Curt Jones to approve the bills and minutes from the March 13, 2025, meeting.

Emily Hassebrock-Yes

Donna Smith-Yes

Corey Thompson-Yes

Amy Davis-Yes

Curt Jones-Yes

Gary Cooper-No

Motion carried

Public Recognition-

Clayton Keen-Mr. Keen addressed the council with two questions;1) Are we mowing what we don't own? 2) Do we pay any utilities for the ball diamonds? Mayor Diss responded that we mow a lot owned by Blomberg's in exchange for letting us store our chips/rock, and we do pay for electricity and water at Lions Field, and the electricity and water at Webster Park is at the city's cost, but the city does not pay for them. Mr. Keen stated that doing these things are illegal and he would be "making a phone call". Mayor Diss told him that she would consult the City's attorney.

Rex Gower-DCEO Grant-Lagoon/Sewer- waiting for funds to be released. OSLAD Grant-The city is holding a public meeting on Saturday, April 26, 2025, at 10:00 am to discuss Proposed Park renovations. Safe Routes to School (SRTS) Grant-The city is interested in applying for this grant with paperwork due this fall. Mayor Angie Diss asked Mr. Gower if the grants were free, and he responded, some are but most aren't. Mayor Diss responded that the city is raising funds to cover the engineering fees for the park OSLAD grant.

Library Report-Amy Davis gave the library report as a total of 201 patrons, 165 users, 56 computer use, 384 outgoing items and \$180.31 in deposits

Police Report-Chief Joe Duffy reported 92 hours for Alma with 3 citations, 6 service calls, 3 speeding warnings, and 1 ordinance violation. For Kinmundy, he reported 140 hours, 14 citations, 8 service calls, 3 ordinance violations and 1 arrest.

Water Report-Travis Potter reported they've been busy mowing.

Water Tower Mixer-Still is investigating a mixer for the water tower and will have more information next month.

Street Report-Luke Smith reports they are mowing, weed eating and patching.

Committee Reports-none

Donna Smith thanked everyone for her years on the council and will continue her interest and involvement in the affairs of the city and hold the council accountable to do the best for our town.

Mayor's Report-

City Wide Clean Up/Yard Sales-The motion was made by Emily Hassebrock and seconded by Amy Davis to hold city-wide yard sales on June 7, and city-wide clean-up June 21 with two dumpsters.

Emily Hassebrock-Yes

Donna Smith-Yes

Corey Thompson-Yes

Amy Davis-Yes

Curt Jones-Yes

Gary Cooper-Yes

Motion carried

Park Renovation Meeting-As mentioned, the Public Meeting for discussion/ideas for renovation of the city park will be at 10:00 am on Saturday, April 26, 2025, at the Community Center.

Rental of Downtown Buildings-The motion was made by Curt Jones and seconded by Donna Smith to set the rent for the uptown office to \$300 for the front office and \$250 for the back office for a total of \$550.

Emily Hassebrock-Yes

Donna Smith-Yes

Corey Thompson-Yes

Amy Davis-Yes

Curt Jones-Yes

Gary Cooper-Yes

Motion carried

Mayor Diss addressed the council and read an Illinois Statute regarding Councilman responsibilities and duties from the Illinois Municipal Handbook. She feels it is time to address situations that cause our council to appear unprofessional and lean toward favoritism and not for the good of the community and working together. She urges anyone with a question or complaint to come to a council meeting or go to their ward representatives for assistance. Our only power is through the council and not an individual. She urged the council that if there is a problem with personnel address it in executive session, not the community. She reminded the council that they cannot make promises to citizens and that the council does not have the authority to call employees on their days off for assistance. There are many rumors circulating throughout the city and Mayor Diss has asked that these be stopped and the back-stabbing ceases.

Executive Session-Emily Hassebrock made the motion and Donna Smith seconded to move into Executive Session for the purpose of consideration of the following subjects, pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2 © (1); Personnel-Section 2 ©; Purchase or Lease of Real estate-Section 2 © (5); © (6);; and Review of Executive Session Minutes – Section 2 © (21)” Yays-Emily Hassebrock, Donna Smith, Corey Thompson, Amy Davis, Curt Jones and Gary Cooper. Nays-none. Motion carried.

The motion was made by Emily Hassebrock and seconded by Amy Davis to return to the regular session from Executive Session.

Emily Hassebrock-Yes

Donna Smith-Yes

Corey Thompson-Yes

Amy Davis-Yes

Curt Jones-Yes

Gary Cooper-Yes

Motion carried

There was no action required from the Executive Session.

The motion was made by Emily Hassebrock and seconded by Amy Davis to adjourn

Emily Hassebrock-Yes

Donna Smith-Yes

Corey Thompson-Yes

Amy Davis-Yes

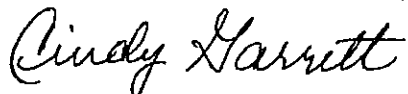
Curt Jones-Yes

Gary Cooper-Yes

Motion carried

Meeting adjourned 8:15 pm

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Cindy Garrett".

Cindy Garrett

City Clerk