

**Town of Williamsport  
Mayor & Town Council**  
**Regular Session Meeting Minutes – February 12, 2024**



On February 12, 2024, the Mayor & Town Council for the Town of Williamsport held a Regular Session. Those members of the elected body who were present included Mayor William Green, Assistant Mayor Dennis Grove, Councilman Jim Braswell, Councilman Charles Brown, Councilman Earle Pereschuk, Councilman Ben Tinsley, and Councilperson Margaret Yaukey. Town employees in attendance were Chad Rooney, Town Manager, Ed Kuczynski, Town Attorney, Nadene Green, volunteer, and Deputy Koontz, Washington County Sheriff's Department.

Mayor Green called the meeting to order at 7:00pm and subsequently requested a moment of silence and then led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Councilman Tinsley made motion to approve the meeting minutes from the January 16 Regular Session; Councilperson Yaukey seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

Correspondence included a request from the Washington County Soil Conservation District requesting a donation to support students at the Envirothon Competition and a card from the Grime's Family for flowers sent after the passing of a family member.

Mayor Green noted there are no reports from the Board of Elections Supervisors, History & Museum Board, Planning Commission, Land Use, nor Legal Counsel. The Town Attorney acknowledged recent action by the Zoning Appeals Board regarding the rebuilding of a garage on the foundation of a previous garage which burned. Mayor Green noted 138 events including 5 reports, 2 arrests, 1 DUI, 1 charges filed, 21 traffic stops, and 35 violations.

Mayor Green asked for Councilperson reports: Councilperson Yaukey thanked the Town Manager for attending the most recent Planning Commission meeting and presenting information; Councilman Pereschuk asked about the pool cover and was informed by the Town Manager that no submissions were made when the RFP was advertised for a pool cover. The RFP will be readvertised. Councilman Brown requested an update for the bathroom project and was informed the project is beginning soon with a hopeful completion date of March 31; Assistant Mayor Grove noted the reopening of the Library is pending the results of an air quality test and the new room at the barn is complete and a ribbon cutting ceremony is scheduled for March 15. No reports were provided by Councilman Tinsley or Councilman Braswell.

Mayor Green requested consideration for Resolution 2024-01 regarding the Washington County Hazard Mitigation Plan. Assistant Mayor Grove made a motion to adopt the resolution in support of the town following the hazard mitigation plan as developed by Washington County; Councilman Pereschuk seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Green asked for Town Councils consideration to approve a firm to handle the town's engineering needs. He asked the Town Manager to present his recommendation based on the three submissions able to be considered. The Town Manager advised the Town Council that all three

firms had a good reputation, but RK&K's rates would be most financially responsible. Councilman Braswell made a motion to award the contract to RK&K at the rates specified in their submission; Councilman Brown seconded; the motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Green opened the floor for public comment: Clint Rawlings addressed the Mayor and Town Council advising them of his intentions to move the home office of his business Hauling For Hope to the town. He stated he would appreciate their support to potentially utilize a property on West Salisbury Street. The Mayor and Town Council wished him well and instructed him to contact the Town Planner for specific instructions. Kathy Emerson, Williamsport Library Board, noted three items – 1) she has a contact to possibly assist the town with improvements to the library and will give the information to the town manager, 2) she requested the town hold a grand reopening once it is safe for patrons to enter the library, and 3) she requested the town make its recycling program known in conjunction with Earth Day.

Assistant Mayor Grove made a motion to adjourn the Regular Session, Councilman Brown seconded; the meeting adjourned at 7:16pm.

Respectfully Tendered,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Chad P. Rooney', written in a cursive style.

Chad P. Rooney  
Town Manager