



**TOWN OF St. JOHN**  
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**MEETING OF NOVEMBER 14, 2022**

The meeting was called to order by the Clerk. Councilmembers Bezdicek, Hamsher, Hinds, and Smith, community member Garry Rosman, and the town clerk were in initial attendance. The Mayor joined after a prior engagement.

The minutes of the October 24, 2022 meeting were read and approved as read.

The payables were presented to the Council for their review and discussion. The payables were moved by Hinds and seconded by Bezdicek. Motion carried by a vote of the Council.

CL# 14708-14734 & EFT's	\$ 86,796.96
PR#	\$

Garry Rosman discussed the land the post office building sits on. The residential neighbor's shed is on the "post office" property. He has had a conversation with the resident and an agreement has been reached. His main topic of concern for the council was drainage. Over the years the Conservation district has brought in gravel to alleviate the pothole problem. With years of buildup, the gravel is high on his building, causing issues. He would like for the Town to bring in a grater or something to dig up or move the excess gravel away from his building so the storm drainage is not sitting against his building. Initial discussion by the council stated this was not an unreasonable request. Due to the long drive, Mr. Rosman excused himself from the meeting. After further discussion, it was concluded that the project would take equipment the town cannot access. Outside sources would need to be brought in to complete the project. Due to the weather, the project will need to wait until spring.

The appointment of a Mayor Pro Tempore (pro tem or Vice Mayor) was discussed. It was moved by Smith and seconded by Bezdicek to have Denny Hinds assume the position. Hinds will be listed as an additional signer on all bank accounts and have the authority to complete any necessary duties in the Mayor's absence.

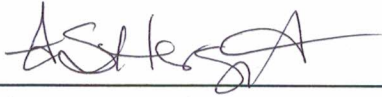
The topic of Developer Responsibilities was discussed. A few additional duties were discussed but the final list of responsibilities was not completed. This is an ongoing topic.

The public hearing for the 2023 budget commenced. After a review of budget line items, it was moved by Bezdicek and seconded by Hamshar to adopt the proposed budget.

The clerk gave the recent election results and propositions on the ballot. Street Levy certification was approved by a motion from Smith seconded by Hinds. The 1% property tax increase granted to the town was approved by a motion from Smith seconded by Bezdicek.

The clerk discussed the known rooster on Margin street. A letter was sent to them in September to remove the rooster. A second notice with a fine was approved to be sent by the council.

No request for additional comments was stated and it was moved by Mayor Webb, seconded, and unanimously agreed to adjourn. The Meeting was adjourned at 7:45 PM.



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F. Shani Hergert  
CLERK-TREASURER



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Michael G. Webb  
MAYOR