



MEETING MINUTES
PRINCE'S LAKES TOWN COUNCIL
PRINCE'S LAKES TOWN HALL, 14 E LAKEVIEW DR, NINEVEH, IN 46164
January 20, 2026

- COUNCILORS PRESENT: COUNCIL PRESIDENT LINDSEY HENSON
COUNCIL V PRESIDENT BRYAN TEARMAN
COUNCILOR CHARLIE BOURNE
COUNCILOR ANTHONY GIGER
COUNCILOR KEVIN HARRISON
- CLERK-TREASURER PRESENT: ERICA LYDEN-GIGER
- TOWN ATTORNEY PRESENT: LEE ROBBINS
- STAFF PRESENT: UTILITES SUPT SCOTT BLACKWELL
STREET DEPT SUPERVISOR TONY PIKE
- PUBLIC PRESENT: RICK ANDERSON
JEREMY HOFFMAN
MR. BRIZENDINE
SHAWN SEALS
KEVIN ADERS
KIM OSBORNE
CATHERINE GLEASON

Councilor Lindsey Henson called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance

- Councilor Giger motioned to elect Lindsey Henson as Council President and Bryan Tearman as Council Vice President. Councilor Tearman seconded. Motion carried.
- Councilor Bourne motioned to retain attorney Lee Robbins. Council Vice President Tearman seconded. Motion carried.

PUBLIC FORUM:

Rick Anderson and Jeremy Hoffman were present to discuss guaranteed energy savings projects. Mr. Anderson mentions legislation IC 36 1.1-12.1, which allows for these projects.

Council reviewed a proposed municipal solar PV project intended to reduce energy usage, lower long-term utility costs, increase energy independence, and provide sustainable benefits to town facilities.

- **PROJECT OBJECTIVES AND HIGHLIGHTS** Objective is to decrease energy usage, produce sustainable energy, reduce utility costs, provide benefits to buildings and communities.

- **Scope Inclusion:** Three solar PV arrays: ground mount at wastewater treatment plant, ground mount at pump house, and roof mount at water and sewer office. Benefit would be to avoid rising utility costs, reduction of carbon footprint, increased energy efficiency, increased energy independence and resiliency. Facility Specifics: Water treatment plant: 240 kilowatts array, 90% offset. Pump houses: 30 kilowatts array, 60% offset. Water and sewer office: 30 kilowatts, 20% offset.

Project cost is under \$2 million with the potential to get back almost \$800,000 with a federal reimbursement.

Next Steps

- Confirm interconnection and credit terms with Edinburgh Electric.
- Update financial projections using revised utility escalation rates.
- Determine grant eligibility and timing.
- Request a detailed cost breakdown by project component.
- Decide whether to advertise the project, noting that advertising should occur only if the council intends to proceed.

Joe Sandifer with Huntington Insurance present the 2026 policy and coverage amounts. The recommendation is to stay with the current carrier, Astra, underwritten by Great America. Other carriers had significantly higher rates. Workers' comp is through IPEP, the Indiana Public Employee Plan.

Kevin Aders with the Planning Commission spoke. There were three Planning Commission members whose terms ended at the end of 2025. Ben Staab and Ted Funk finished out existing terms. Ben Staab, Ted Funk, and Kevin Aders are interested in being reappointed to the Planning Commission.

Mr. Robbins stated no more than two citizen members can be of the same political party. Mr. Aders said that requirement has been met. Mr. Aders also said there are two open positions to the BZA and new members need to be appointed. Greg Nelson and Mike Saltsgraver are interested.

- Council President Henson motioned to appoint Ben Staab, Ted Funk, and Kevin Aders to the Planning Commission. Councilor Harrison seconded. Motion carried.
- Council President Henson motioned to appoint Greg Nelson and Mike Saltsgraver to the BZA. Councilor Bourne seconded. Motion carried.

PARK BOARD

Catherine Gleason from the park board was present. Catherine was newly appointed president of the park board due to Mike Gallamore's term ending. Amy Norcross was voted the new vice president. Kim Osborne will continue to be an ad hoc member. Caleb Spencer will continue his term. Christy Wright is new to the park board and specializes in working with kids with special needs. Kathy Lee, Kim Osborne, and Nikki Ford are ad hoc members. Town Attorney Lee Robbins informed Mrs. Gleason that only the Council can appoint new members.

Mrs. Gleason told Council of upcoming events. March 7th: Nineveh Road cleanup day, May 16th: Festival Country at the amphitheater, 4-10 PM. October 3rd: Annual festival. Mrs. Gleason told Council that our ball diamonds will be used for the upcoming little league season more this year

than last due to the purchase of the old school in Trafalgar and parking issues. Safety issues were discussed such as lights not working in the outfields, and fencing needing to be tied down. Other important issues discussed were a leaking toilet, parking issues, drainage issues, the “turtle” lid is broken and the clean-out tap lid needs replaced. Councilor Giger suggested getting stainless steel toilets. Mrs. Gleason stated the drainage problem is a major issue and needs addressed. ABC Company has offered to dig out the 5u field and level it for free. Mrs. Gleason also said they are having issues getting keys. Council President Lindsey Henson stated a copy of the key needs to be given to the Park Board, Police Department, and Street Department. Mrs. Gleason also said they have an updated contract with the Little League. Council Vice President Tearman suggested she apply for the REMC Operation Round-Up Grant to help pay for needed improvements. We have received two grants from them in the past.

- Council President Henson motioned to appoint Amy Norcross and Kristy Wright to the Park Board for a four-year term. Councilor Bourne seconded. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- Council President Henson motioned to approve the December 15, 2025 regular meeting minutes, December 29 Executive Session and special meeting minutes. Councilor Bourne seconded the motion and passed unanimously.

TOWN MARSHAL REPORT:

Marshal Greg Southers was not present for the meeting. Councilor Anthony Giger presented invoices for finished work on the police department. A draw of \$11,000 is requested for GP Construction. The draw covers rough-in work, flooring, and texture work. \$445 for Dave's Electric, \$448 for Mia's Hone Security Automation, and \$430 for CMS Heating and Cooling.

- Council Vice President Tearman motioned to approve and pay all claims as presented. Council President Henson seconded. Motion carried.

WATER/WASTEWATER REPORT:

Superintendent Scott Blackwell presented the Council with his report. They are experiencing issues with the old reservoir, including electronic malfunctions. Working on wellhead protection plan and emergency management plan updates. They started conducting the water loss audit, which is a new yearly requirement. Yearly DMR QA testing on wastewater is also a new annual requirement. Scheduling yearly calibrations on master meters, including wholesale customers. Tower number four needs an inspection and cleaning in 2026 and the Prince's Lakes Town Hall water tower also needs cleaned and inspected this year. The reservoir project is progressing, with the footer in place and the reservoir is physically on site.

STREET DEPARTMENT REPORT:

Street Department Supervisor Tony Pike said he ordered sand to replenish the stockpile, turned on weight limit signs with flashing lights, removed Christmas decorations, mixed salt and sand, started assembling new street signs and cleared a berm on the Northeast Lake Dam to prevent water pooling. They have started taking trucks to Ziebart for rust inspection preventative maintenance. Mr. Pike said they have been dealing with a raccoon infestation. There are raccoons in the shop's attic. There is a hole in the back of the salt barn that needs repaired. They plan to close the hole and set a live trap. Discussion was made about

lowering the Lakeview/ Nineveh Road sign. Mr. Harrison said it's supposed to be at least seven feet high and not to lower it.

- Council Vice President Tearman motioned to approve salt purchase for up to \$8797.60. Councilor Harrison seconded the motion and passed unanimously.

CLERK-TREASURER REPORT:

Clerk-Treasurer Erica Lyden-Giger presented General, Utilities, January 2, 2026 & January 15, 2026, allowance docket claims and ask the Council for approval in the amounts of \$231,712.40 \$217,505.43, \$45,384.94, \$42,105.42 and HWC invoice #15 for \$14,279.80.

- Council Vice President Tearman motioned to approve all claims as presented. Council President Henson seconded the motion and passed unanimously.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT:

Issue with 209 West Lakeview has been addressed. Property has been cleaned up.

OLD BUSINESS:

Mr. Harrison asked if money has been transferred to Trust Indiana and how much the new PILOT is. Mrs. Lyden-Giger said yes and she doesn't know the exact amount of the PILOT, but it has increased and she will send the Council the report.

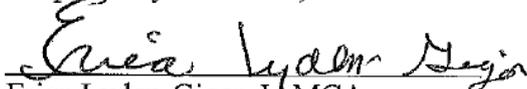
NEW BUSINESS:

Concerns were raised about electric scooters and bikes, especially regarding kids and safety. Discussion about age restrictions and potential liability. Executive session was scheduled for Friday at 1:00 PM.

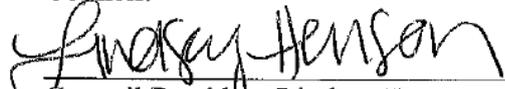
Discussion was made about using LWG for a new rate consultant.

With no further business before the Prince's Lakes Town Council, Council President Henson adjourned the meeting at 8:39 pm

Respectfully submitted,


Erica Lyden-Giger, IAMCA
Clerk-Treasurer

Council:


Council President Lindsey Henson


Council Vice President Bryan Tearman

Councilor Charlie Bourne



Councilor Anthony Giger



Councilor Kevin Harrison