# Topics Tentatively Scheduled for Study Session Discussion and

Topics Requested for Action at Future Business Meetings of the Twenty-Ninth Town Council of Highland

This meeting will be convened as an electronic meeting, pursuant to Governor Holcomb's Executive Orders 20-04, 20-09 and 20-25 and now extended by Executive Order 21-08 through April 30, 2021 allowing such meetings, pursuant to IC 5-14-1.5-3.6 for the duration of the emergency.

People may observe and record the meeting for live streaming by joining the meeting on the following link:

https://zoom.us/j/97252122753?pwd=eFZYMTFlSjVGT0xmUzZ1eFZrWjV2UT09

Further, persons wishing to offer comment in the meeting may access the electronic meeting by using the preceding and adding the password for Meeting ID 972 5212 2753, password (code): 806032

#### Monday April 19, 2021: Study Session 6:30 p.m. Virtual/Electronic meeting

This meeting contributes to Agenda building for the plenary meeting. Please, also be aware of the running enrolled list of matters that are likely for the plenary meeting, subject to review by the municipal executive.

- X. **Discussion:** Status of computer inventory both new to be installed or placed in service and those that have been removed from service.
- X. **Discussion**: Resignation on the TREE BOARD.
- X. Discussion: NIPSCO Tariff issue.

#### Executive Session previously published for Monday, April 19, 2021 at 7:30 p.m.

The Highland Town Council, which is the governing body of the municipal corporation, will be conducting an executive session to *conduct interviews with commercial prospects or agents of commercial prospects, in this case who are seeking a possible economic revitalization area incentive (tax abatement).* 

The purpose of this executive session is *expressly* permitted under the open meeting act, pursuant to I.C. 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(4). *Executive sessions* are meetings from which the public is excluded for the policy reasons stated in the specific statute.

Agenda Building Status Report - 1 -

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#### HIGHLAND TOWN COUNCIL Roger Sheeman, President

#### By: Michael W. Griffin, IAMC/MMC/CPFA/ACPFIM/CMO Clerk-Treasurer

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### • Plenary Business Meeting of Monday April 26, 2021 Likely matters

- X Administration of Oath of Office for Police Officer Candidate Michael B. Tonevich.
- X. Executive Proclamation for Arbor Day 2021.
- X. Accounts payable vouchers Docket for the period of April 13, 2021 to April 26 in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_.
- X. Payroll Dockets for the paydays of \_\_\_\_\_ in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_.
- X. Minutes of the Meeting of Monday April 12, 2021.
- X. Transfer Resolution from CARES FUNDS to the GENERAL FUND.
- X. TRANSFER RESOLUTION FROM THE GENERAL FUND TO THE PARK FUND ETC.
- X. AUTHORIZE PROPOSED ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS IN THE REDEVELOPMENT DOWNTOWN ALLOCATION FUND, REDEVELOPMENT GENERAL FUND, and OFFICE of CT IN GENERAL FUND by reduction.

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Sent: Wednesday, April 14, 2021

To: Bob Volkmann; Dustin Anderson; James Bennett; Michael Griffin; Mike Troxell; Richard C. MBA Anderson - Town of Winfield ; Stephen J. Gunty; Thomas DeGiulio; William Allen

Subject: NIPSCO-Stakeholder Discussion on New Electric TDSIC Plan

Hello all:

NIPSCO is starting up a new Transmission, Distribution, Storage Improvement Charge (TDSIC) tracker mechanism. In 2019 HEA 1470 Clarifications were passed to SEA 560 that simplified the process of implementing a TDSIC tracker. A TDSIC plan must be approved by the IURC, and can be in place for no longer than 7 years; A base rate case must be filed to incorporate the rate allocations and rate design associated with the rate increases. The utility can reflect 80% of the investments allowed with an increase of no more than 2% / year in rates through a tracker. The 20% of the unrecovered investment is carried by NIPSCO until they can be rolled into a base rate case.

As the Indiana Municipal Utility Group your municipality helped to shape which of those costs were recovered, and through which customer class increases would be recovered.

At the beginning of the last TDSIC we were focused on installing LED streetlights, and keeping the cost of those streetlights way down. I checked the tariffs and your lighting costs for the LED's change-outs by NIPSCO still reflect a rate significantly lower than others in rate class 850.

NIPSCO has just asked that our group be at the table for an April 26<sup>th</sup> meeting for opening discussions on what they will file in May. I would like to be at that table representing this group. If someone is not there to represent the interests of this group costs **will** find their way to your bills.

If this were before the Pandemic, I would suggest we meet at the Group of 16+ or some other venue. Although I've had my two shots plus 2 weeks, I am certain some of you are not comfortable meeting so that I can further explain the details.

If anyone indicates that they valued what we did last time, and will support our efforts again, I will be at the April 26<sup>th</sup> meeting indicating said support. I will report what happens at the meeting.

Ted Sommer

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