

**New Carlisle Town Council**  
**124 E. Michigan Street, New Carlisle, Indiana**  
**General Meeting, January 23, 2020, 6:30 PM**

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

President Kauffman called the meeting to order with Vice President Budreau, Council Member Rush, Council Member Colanese, Council Member Doll and Clerk-Treasurer Susan Moffitt present.

Also in attendance were John Mrozinski, Andrea Halpin, Jill Doll, John Gelow, Debra DuRall, Amy Radcliffe, Carol Middlebrook, Dan Caruso, Cal Dittmar, Jess Fisher and Brandon Lewandowski.

**Visitor Comments**

- Debra DuRall

Debra is speaking for herself and on behalf of the OSAA and ten other people who have signed on outside that group. She informed the Council that the OSAA is working on info about 3 parcels purchased last year for the purpose of water management. They were told rezoning would not be required yet the RDC has begun rezoning process. The 2002 county master plan limits industrial growth. She asks for robust and strong council engagement to help guide going forward for consistency and small community values. She thanked Dan Caruso for representing New Carlisle at the Area Plan Commission and for asking very good questions.

- Dan Caruso

Reports that he found his first APC meeting enlightening and that he was also able to appoint himself to BZA. After what we heard on Tuesday about mess down here on Michigan Street, Dave Thomas spoke out very strongly for us and called the property the swamp and that he and Commissioner Kostielney were cutting each other off while speaking. Dan stated that after witnessing how Kostielney appears to be in the pockets of NICTD, the Antero group is behind all of them and he doesn't think they are going away and will take whatever land they want to. He stated that Bill Schalliol said it is premature to know what they will do with the land and they are just cleaning up an eyesore with the trailer park at this point. One agenda item was the purchase of 150 acres for a new county garage and fire station. Dan said that he is very anxious to hear the new statement of the Council on the IEC and feels that it can't come soon enough.

**Employee Reports**

- Chief Cal Dittmar

No report

- Attorney Andrea Halpin

Andrea reported that she recently had a Public Records Request for video footage and she wanted to commend Angie and the chief for making that happen as they found a link so that it could be played.

- Public Works Director John Mrozinski

Has been researching sewer main camera systems and will have quotes for Council review by the next meeting. The Town has not owned a sewer camera but has hired a firm in the past to investigate certain areas of the sewer mains due to issues. John would like to be able to check all of our mains for infiltration, etc.

### **Old Business**

- None

### **New Business**

- 2020 Dept Liaison Announcements

President Kauffman announced the 2020 Council Liaison appointments as follows:

Jordon – Police  
Jerry – Utilities  
Dave – Streets & Sidewalks  
Samantha – Park Board and Cemetery

- IEC Statement

President Kauffman stated that the members of the Council reviewed the previously released statement regarding the IEC and felt it was necessary to revise it. She asked for input from everyone and what was received was compiled into the final product to be voted on tonight. President Kauffman read the statement which was applauded by many of those in attendance.

Council Member Rush stated that she is wondering if this was sent to the attorney for any questions or concerns. President Kauffman responded that it was sent to and discussed with Andrea and some changes were made. Council Member Rush asked what the comments were and Andrea responded that she gave commentary for legal purposes and would not want to share that with the public as it was legal advice. Andrea stated that it was advice which is not personal and we could table the statement for further review. Council Member Rush asked that it be mailed to everyone.

- Town Hiring Procedure Policy

Tabled for legal review

### **Ordinances and Resolutions**

- Ordinance # 1388- A Salary ordinance for an employee of the Town of New Carlisle

A motion to waive the rules to allow for the adoption of Ordinance #1388 on the day of its introduction was made by Vice President Budreau and seconded by Council Member Rush. The motion passed unanimously.

President Kauffman read Ordinance #1388 by caption only for first reading  
President Kauffman read Ordinance #1388 in entirety for the second reading;  
President Kauffman read Ordinance #1388 by caption only for the third and final reading.

Upon a motion by Vice President Budreau and second by Council Member Doll, the motion passed unanimously.

### **Council Reports**

#### **Vice President Budreau**

Vice President Budreau will download the class information from the Newly Elected Official training this week and email it to everyone. He requested that we schedule the follow-up orientation regarding open door law that was previously discussed. The Council set Tuesday, January 28<sup>th</sup> at 6:45 for the orientation with Andrea.

#### **Council Member Rush**

No report.

#### **Council Member Colanese**

Reports that he is excited to see the photos from the sewer camera that John has requested.

#### **Council Member Doll**

Streets and sidewalks are all in place.

#### **President Kauffman**

No report.

### **Clerk-Treasurer's Report**

No report.

### **Bills to be Paid**

Vice President Budreau moved to pay all bills as presented on the Claim Docket. The motion was seconded by Council Member Doll and passed unanimously.

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Dan Caruso asked if he will be allowed to speak and give a report as a member of the Area Plan Commission or if he will need to use the three minute allotment for public comment. He will be included with reports in the future. Dan stated that he feels that we are just kicking the can down the road by saying we are going to review the IEC statement and it is time to stand up and say stop to this buy.

**Adjournment**

Upon a motion by Vice President Budreau and second by Council Member Rush the meeting was adjourned at 6:56 PM.

  
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Marcy Kauffman, Council President

Attest:

  
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Susan I. Moffitt, Clerk-Treasurer