New Carlisle Town Council 124 E. Michigan Street, New Carlisle, Indiana General Meeting, October 5, 2021, 6:35 PM

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

Also in attendance: Jill Doll, Carol Middlebrook, Dan Caruso

Approval of Minutes

Council Member Doll moved to approve the minutes of the September 20 General Meeting, September 21 Executive Session and September 28 Executive Session and Special Meeting as written. Motion seconded by Vice President Kauffman and passed 4-0.

Visitor Comments

• Dan Caruso

Dan said that he knows he is beating a dead horse but is tired of hearing about it when Bill Schalliol keeps bringing up the solar project every chance he gets but talks to no one here, saying its in the county and not the town so the council and town have no say so. He lives in Olive Township too, as does everyone else in town, and should have say so. Most in town support solar he has found but also found 100 percent against if it means BP and Toyota get a tax incentive to locate here. Property owners of leased land will still be paying the ag rate in tax coffers but any increased value added would just be rolled into another TIF district they want to create and take that off the tax rolls while taking away money from our schools and police and fire. Pumped water on the shredder and then took so much they had to go other places to get water and it looked like a round robin for 12 hours. We need to quit these tax incentives. If they have an idea they feel is profitable, bring it, but don't ask us to fund it. He said this is also the reason the comprehensive plan needs to be finished.

Employee Reports

Council Member Colanese reported that all is well according to Perry and the street project is moving along fine and finishing up in about a month and Jason said everything is fine with electric too.

Old Business

• Fire Territory Budget

The final copy of the budget from Olive Township was previously reviewed and discussed and President Rush asked if there were any additional questions prior to voting. There were no further questions.

Council Member Colanese moved to accept the 2022 New Carlisle Fire Territory Budget as presented. The motion was seconded by Vice President Kauffman and passed 3-1.

New Business

• Trick or Treat Time

Trick-or-Treat is traditionally held on Halloween which falls on Sunday this year. The Council made no changes for this year and Trick-or-Treat will remain on Halloween, October 31 from 5-7.

Ordinances and Resolutions

• Ordinance #1417 – An Ordinance for the 2022 Budget for the Town of New Carlisle

President Rush read Ordinance #1417 in entirety for the second reading.

Council Reports

Vice President Kauffman

Vice President Kauffman met with the Park Board on September 25th and reported that the person previously secured to do work on the gazebo, including repairs and staining, has notified them they will not be able to do the project and they are now looking for someone else. The Farmer's Market received \$970 in vendor donations and they are talking about ways to use those funds next year for banners and advertising. They ordered a new lighted Santa for memorial park and are looking into a bridge dedication for "Roger's Bridge" and working with his nephew.

Council Member Doll

To expand on Council Member Colanese's report, Council Member Doll said that the biggest hold up was concrete for curbing in the project but they were there today and it should go pretty quickly now.

The Cemetery Board has finished the new informational pamphlet. They are going to start on the new pillars for the cemetery and are discussing plaques for them. Council Member Doll reported that they were able to get seventeen monuments repaired for the cost quoted for ten and they look great.

Council Member Colanese

Everything is fine with the town. Fire territory is still finishing up demolition but not sure if the asbestos removal is complete but the estimated cost is good since it ended up being the glue for the tile that contained asbestos. Reno is moving right along and they are right on schedule.

Clerk-Treasurer's Report

Sue informed the Council that Perry notified her Arch Street will be closed from Michigan Street to the alley on Tuesday while the HVAC units are installed as part of the station renovation.

Bills to be Paid

Council Member Doll moved to pay all bills as presented on the Claim Docket. The motion was seconded by Vice President Kauffman and passed 4-0.

Adjournment

Upon a motion by Vice President Kauffman and second by Council Member Colanese the meeting adjourned at 6:53 PM.

Samantha Rush, Council President

Attest:

Susan I. Moffitt, Clerk-Treasurer