# New Carlisle Town Council 124 E. Michigan Street, New Carlisle, Indiana General Meeting, August 28, 2012

President Colpitts called the meeting to order with Vice President Higgins, Council Member Gelow, Council Member Vojtko, Council Member Carter and Clerk-Treasurer Sue Moffitt present. Also in attendance were Roger Nawrot, Chuck Leone, Pat Cummings, Jack Mell, John Mrozinski, Mary Countryman, Jill Doll, Jamie Middlebrook, Ken Davis, Mary Ann Swope, Cal Dittmar, Tim Kaminski, Carol Middlebrook, Davey Doll, Jason Quirk and Mike Shilts. Jack Daly, Malarie Pierce, Pam Weaver and Henry Timm entered following Employee Reports.

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### **Minutes**

A motion to approve the minutes of the August 13<sup>th</sup>, 2012 Public Hearing was made by Council Member Gelow and seconded by Vice President Higgins. The motion passed 4-0. Council Member Vojtko abstained.

A motion to approve the minutes of the August 13, 2012 General Meeting was made by Council Member Vojtko and seconded by Vice President Higgins. Motion passed unanimously.

# **Employee Reports**

#### Ken Davis

Provided a letter to update the Council on the Town Emergency Plan.

Council Member Vojtko asked that the Library be contacted regarding this.

#### Tim Kaminski

Recently completed State testing this week and thanks the residents that assisted with this.

# Chuck Leone

Working on real estate issues previously addressed.

# Roger Nawrot

• Environmental Plan has been submitted to INDOT in La Porte.

Pat reports the plan is to hopefully let bids by March with groundbreaking approximately the end of April to beginning of May. Our schedule/timeline has been approved by INDOT but If the construction period goes after June 30th they may have to split funds. He will be holding a committee meeting soon.

# **Pat Cummings**

 Had the Town Crew put together a need list and a must have list. He will be bringing that to the Council soon.

#### **Visitor Comments**

Jack Daly 217 W. Michigan Street

> Requested any new information regarding the gas plant proposed for Walnut Road that was previously discussed.

The Council has not had any contact from this company recently. There has been no communication between this company and Pat Cummings recently either.

Pat reports that Pat McMahon will be the lead contact in this area while the Chamber of Commerce covers the rest of the county.

Pam Weaver Discover New Carlisle

> They will be holding a "Chalk the Walk" event on a Saturday in the near future, sectioning off 4x4 squares of sidewalk and inviting children in to come in and decorate them. They will be working with the downtown businesses to coordinate.

#### **Council Reports**

# **Council Member Carter**

Asked Gary Lawson to look into re-do the plaque out front with WWII participants on it. He
estimates the cost at approximately \$2000 including return shipping. He will have the exact cost
involved for the next meeting. He would eventually like to get into developing something up-todate where the town recognizes Town residents who have been in other conflicts and wars.
 There is another plaque that talks about the purchase of New Carlisle that he would like to have
updated as well.

Ron suggested the memorial brick program maybe being used at Memorial Park for something like this.

#### **Vice President Higgins**

- Thanked the guys for running the street sweeper today.
- Notes that Bill Sutton has been named retailer of the year which is a huge recognition for our Town.

## Council Member Gelow

 Reminded everyone that Carol Middlebrook is on a mission to repaint all fire hydrants in town and cautions everyone to watch out for her while she is working.

# Council Member Vojtko

- Library Board has submitted their budget and everything looks good. They will not pursue an appeal.
- Reports a good turnout for the park concerts. Invites everyone to come out again this week and next.

# **President Colpitts**

- Rezoning at US 20 and Smilax for Red Hen Turf Farm retail location was before Area Plan this month. They want to rezone approximately 6 acres from Ag to Manufacturing. Area Plan did send this to St. Joseph County with a favorable recommendation.
- Reports that Area Plan is considering streamlining the process of rezoning and was asked if the
  Town would want to participate in this. It would allow everything to be complete in one
  meeting instead of two and if interested John Byorni or Larry Magliozzi would attend a meeting
  and present details. He would like to ask one of them out for a presentation and then the
  Council could decide if they would want to participate.

# Bills to be Paid

Vice President Higgins moved to pay all bills as presented. Seconded by Council Member Vojtkothe motion passed unanimously.

#### Adjournment

Upon a motion from Council Member Vojtko and second from Vice President Higgins the meeting was adjourned at 5:24 PM.

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