

New Carlisle Town Council Work Session Memoranda, July 20, 2016

The work session was held in the Council Chambers at 5:00 PM.

Present were President Carter, Vice President Vojtko, Council Member Rypma and Clerk-Treasurer Sue Moffitt.

Also in attendance: Chief Josh Schweizer and Jill Doll.

The work session was held for discussion of an EMS Chief Vehicle.

The council members discussed some of the concerns expressed by two residents regarding purchase of this vehicle. Funding options were also discussed and include a lease purchase or outright purchase with each entity contributing their contracted portion of the cost.

Vice President Vojtko asked that Josh explain why he feels that this purchase is necessary.

Chief Schweizer explained that this vehicle will have supplies and equipment allowing him to go straight to a scene. In the event of a second medical call when our ambulance is already out, a medic unit from South Bend must be dispatched. Having this vehicle would allow him to proceed straight to the scene and begin treatment prior to arrival of medics saving valuable minutes. There have been two instances this week alone that our ambulance was out and a second medical call came through necessitating dispatch of a medic unit. This vehicle will also make us less reliant on other agencies for assistance.

Council Member Rypma stated that this vehicle is a part of the overall fleet upgrades.

Council Member Budreau entered the meeting at 6:00 pm.

The work session was adjourned at 6:02 PM.

Ken Carter, Council President

Attest: Susan I. Moffitt, Clerk-Treasurer