

New Carlisle Town Council
124 E. Michigan Street, New Carlisle, Indiana
General Meeting, February 1, 2022, 6:30 PM

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance

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

Also in attendance: Jared Huss, Perry Hinton, Jill Doll, Melinda Antell, Stephanie Murphy, Steve Mann, Eric Ivory

Approval of Minutes

Council Member Doll moved to approve the minutes of the 1-18-2022 General Meeting and 1-24-2022 Executive Session as written. The motion was seconded by Vice President Kauffman and carried. Council Member Budreau abstained.

Visitor Comments

- Eric Ivory – Borden Waste Away Group

He informed the Council that he is here on behalf of Borden Waste Away and that he understands we have a proposal on the agenda tonight but asked that it be taken under advisement to give Borden an opportunity to submit a bid. He said that he feels this would be advantageous to the Town by saving tens of thousands of dollars.

Employee Reports

- Attorney Andrea Halpin

Andrea has been working mostly on procedural items for the fire territory.

- Engineer Jared Huss

They are continuing to work on the Meridian Street project for next summer and he has had discussion with INDOT on pervious paver options for consideration. Those he spoke with there did see benefit in discussion of drainage on Michigan Street, both project specific and the larger picture.

Will be attending the meeting with Baker Tilly next week with department heads.

New Business

- Steve Mann, Sons of the American Legion Presentation

Steve presented information on Wreaths Across America, a program originally started by Worster Wreath Company in Maine. He is considering partnering with the local scouts for the fund raising

portion of this program which is set locally. His first step is to get permission from the Council to have the wreaths in the New Carlisle Cemetery. The program purpose is to remember, honor and teach. Partnering with boy and girl scouts will allow them to teach and work together. He will coordinate with local scout master Rick Lee to raise funds for the wreaths which are sponsored at \$15 each. \$5 from each wreath sponsorship remains with the scout program. The wreaths are shipped in to the location coordinator on the Saturday before Christmas (this year Dec 17). Then the scouts and community come out to place the wreaths on the veterans graves. On a set day they go out and collect and remove the wreaths. The hope is to include all 200 veteran graves in the New Carlisle Cemetery and eventually expand to Olive Chapel and Hamilton Cemetery. He is asking this evening for approval

Council Member Doll asked Steve if he would come to a Cemetery Board meeting in March to present the information and Steve agreed to be here for that meeting.

A motion to approve Wreaths Across America in the New Carlisle Cemetery, pending approval of the Cemetery Board, was made by Council Member Budreau and seconded by Vice President Kauffman. The motion carried 5-0.

- Waste Management Proposal

Melinda Antell was here to present the proposal she prepared to extend the contract with Waste Management that expires on March 31, 2022. She feels that they are offering a very small increase over the next three years and expressed that they would love to continue to work with the Town. She informed the Council that they are converting to CNG fuel that will make the trucks quieter and cleaner and reduce greenhouse gasses. They plan to have the new trucks in place this summer. Council Member Colanese asked what they are charging for the extension and Melinda responded with those charges listed on the proposal that was presented.

A motion to table the proposal was made by Council Member Budreau and seconded by Vice President Kauffman. Motion carried 5-0.

Council Member Budreau moved to place the trash pick-up out for bid. The motion was seconded by Vice President Kauffman and carried 4-1.

- Training Instructor Job Description Discussion

President Rush shared a copy of a job description that the Chief has prepared for a training instructor that he hopes to gain with a new hire.

- Upcoming Fire Territory Public Hearing Updates

Upcoming dates were set for the public hearings for the Fire Territory: February 24, March 13 and March 28.

President Rush said that there had been a special meeting scheduled tomorrow at the library but it will be closed due to the weather. Stephanie Murphy reported that the meeting was not on their calendar so they didn't know about it when they decided to close. President Rush feels that it is too much to hold this meeting online and feels we need to reschedule at a later time.

Ordinances and Resolutions

- Ordinance #1422 – an ordinance changing the fee for fingerprints (2nd reading)

President Rush read Ordinance #1422 in entirety for the second reading.

Council Reports

Vice President Kauffman

Thanked Stephanie Murphy for all of the help she and the library staff provided with the comp plan by allowing the info boards, getting the pdf of the draft posted on their website and for posting the work session on the 17th.

Council Member Colanese

Asked what we do with the siren. He has someone who wants to buy it and asked Vice President Kauffman if HNC wanted it. Andrea responded that the procedure must be followed and it has to be declared surplus and a value determined. If it is fire department property there are specific but different requirements for disposal from those the Town would use.

Council Member Colanese said he noticed that Ada Street is brand new road and a section on Filbert is deteriorating and asked if the road is complete. Perry responded that they were originally planning to go from Chestnut down to Ben Street with crack seal but due to the construction, they came in from Ada partially down to Ben and only put microseal down and did not charge us for that small section. Council Member Colanese asked Perry or Jared to look at that section because it is really deteriorating. Perry said they will look at it when doing PASER ratings.

President Rush

Reported for Jason that he worked on electric stuff, tree trimming has begun, he is working on capital projects and budgeting.

Bills to be Paid

Council Member Budreau moved to pay all bills as presented on the Claim Docket. The motion was seconded by Council Member Doll and passed 5-0.

Adjournment

Upon a motion by Council Member Doll and second by Council Member Budreau the meeting was adjourned at 7:02 PM.

Samantha Rush, Council President

Attest:

Susan I. Moffitt, Clerk-Treasurer