

New Carlisle Town Council**124 E. Michigan Street, New Carlisle, Indiana****General Meeting, September 20, 2022, 6:30 PM**

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance

Council Vice President Kauffman called the meeting to order with Council Member Doll, Council Member Colanese, Council Member Short and Deputy Clerk Doll present. Council Member Budreau and Clerk Treasurer Moffitt were absent.

Also in attendance: Andrea Halpin, Jared Huss, Jason Quirk, Tom Baker, Brent Croymans, Carol Middlebrook, Bob Harbart, Dan Caruso, Steve Mann, Bill Schalliol, Jeff Rea & Alyson Herzig.

Council Vice President Kauffman called the meeting to order and then started the meeting with accepting the resignation of Samantha Rush from the Town Council. She then welcomed William Short to the Council as the replacement to the vacated Council seat. Council Vice President Kauffman thanked New Council Member Short for being here and for giving of himself to the Town Council.

Approval of Minutes

A motion to approved the minutes of 8-4-22 Executive Session, 8-10-22 Executive Session, 8-24 -22 Special Meeting, 8-24-22 Executive Session, 9-6-22 Hearing, 9-6-22 General Meeting & 9-7-22 Special Meeting was made by Council Member Doll, Seconded by Council Member Colanese. The motion passed 3-0 with Council Member Short abstaining.

Update on Ultium Cells LLC Project

Jeff Rea-South Bend Regional Chamber President & CEO

He started the update with bringing everyone up on how the process is moving forward. He stated that there are several meetings set for Tuesday the 27th that need to be voted on for the project and the tax abatements. Hopefully, with all in agreement, the Council would then have a special meeting to vote and make the County's part official and then that agreement would then go back to Ultium Cells LLC to get their final agreement.

He stated some updated facts about the project:

- it is a joint business with General Motors & GE
- It is located at the corner of Larrison & State Road 2 with 656 acres

- it would be making batteries for electric vehicles
 - this is Ultium’s 4th Project in the surrounding state areas
 - would be employing 1600 people
 - it is an Advanced Stage Technology plant
- For more info go to: sbrchamber.com/ultium

Bill Schalliol-Executive Director of Economic Development

Bill stated again- Tuesday will decide the tax abatement and then start working on development agreements that will include

1st) infrastructure improvements-

Adding fiber, extending gas lines, water lines, sewer lines and roads

The intersection of Larrison and St Rd 2 will have improvements for safety with all of the truck traffic and they are still deciding where the employee entrance will be.

St Rd 2 will also have other safety improvements all the way between St Rd 2 at the bypass west to the St Rd 2 and US 20 intersection –all will be done in several parts over the next few years and that they are working with the State for those improvements.

2nd) there will be two 12 hour shifts -one shift working four days a week and then 3 off and other will rotate 3 days on and then 4 off- all shifts will be starting each day at 5, 5:30, 6, & 6:30 and ending the shifts with the same times 12 hours later and the office employees will be starting at 8:30 each day

Water Treatment plant improvements to both plants

All water needs for the plant will be coming from the Town Water Plants

There will also be water testings of the aquifer at set times

3rd) lastly they will be providing fire training to four area departments quarterly each year. The area fire departments are New Carlisle, Warren, South Bend & Clay.

Council Member Colanese then voiced his concerns for safety on St Rd 2 at two major intersections. Timothy and County Line Rd intersections need to be safe for our residents. Bill advised that the State is in the process of doing several studies on the best ways to improve the safety for everyone. The State hopes to have the first improvements all done before the opening of the plant by 2025. Town Engineer Huss advised that CHA is working on traffic conflicts for the corridors. Council Member Doll also stated that he has concerns with the trucks and the deceleration lanes length for east bound trucks, proposed for that intersection improvement at Larrison & St Rd 2, he is worried that what they are proposing will not be able to handle the 160-170 trucks safely each day.

Bob Harbart ask about issues with electric for the future to run these cars and Bill advised that they are now looking into more ways to put more power into the grid. Bob also was pleased to know about the fire training for the car fires with these electric cars.

Dan Caruso ask about the usage of a rail spur and Alyson advised that right now with the rail service and the supply chain delay issues in Chicago, that trucking is a lot better to get items in a timely manner.

Jeff Rea-ended the update with asking if the Council could show support on the incoming Plant in a possible letter or Resolution?

Visitor Comments

- Steve Mann

Steve wanted to bring everyone up to date on the "National Wreaths Across America". This program is for placing wreaths on the graves of our Veterans in cemeteries all across the U.S. At this time we have 54 wreaths sponsored and 20 more are pledged. He stated that he and his wife walked our cemetery this June and found that we have 463 veterans in our cemetery. He would love to see all of those veterans with wreaths. The wreaths cost is \$15.00 to sponsor and then the supporting program for our wreath placings is the "Jamie Middlebrook Memorial Scholarship Fund" and this program will then be receiving a \$5.00 donation for each sponsored wreath. So two great causes from one program! Wreaths need to be sponsored and paid for before mid-November. The wreaths will then be placed by volunteers on December 17, 2022.

- Dan Caruso

Dan advised that he had been at the area plan meeting and that they recommended the rezoning of the gas station at Quince and St. Rd. 2 as a truck service station. There was not any plans of upgrading the intersection at that location. He was very concerned for the safety at that intersection.

Engineer Huss than advised Dan that he should talk to the State with his concerns.

Employee Reports

- Jason Quirk

He advised that he will be gone the 2nd week of October to attend the Conference.

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- Chief Baker

He is just waiting to see how the hiring for the department is going to go.

- Engineer Jared Huss

He has been working on the proposed water usage with Ultium Cells LLC and our WTP involvement with that. Also working with Cleveland Cliff on a MOU with us and the County and the updating of what waters are needed-soft, potable and non-soft. Also what needs are for the non-soft. They are keeping this moving along for both plants and what the treatment needs will be for Ultium Cells LLC and Cleveland Cliffs for the future and how SJEC will fit into this.

We are also moving along with our street project on Bray St. and then will be doing the Meridian Street project starting in the early spring.

Lastly, looking with Perry at the paving projects for next year

- Attorney Andrea Halpin

Andrea advised that she has been working on bits and pieces of everything. Updating the hiring process for the police department and adjusting the policy changes as they come along to help get the department moving along.

Lastly she has been working with Sue and ICE Miller on bond scheduling.

New Business

- Penalty Appeals-Council Vice President Kauffman ask that they be postponed until next meeting for Council review.
- Proposed changes to the hiring policy for lateral Transfers

Council Member Doll motioned that the policy changes be adopted as written and Council Member Short seconded. The motion passed 4-0.

Ordinances and Resolutions

- Ordinance #1431- An ordinance amending the New Carlisle Municipal Electric Utility Rates

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Vice President Kauffman read ordinance#1431 by caption only for the first reading.

Council Reports

Council Member Doll

- Council Member Doll, along with Council Member's Colanese and Short, attended the Ultium Cells LLC information update meeting in South Bend last week
- The Cemetery had fall cleaning done on Monday
- The 4th Addition to the New Carlisle Cemetery has the map ready
- The curbs are in on Bray St.
- The right of way at the North end of Bray needed to be fixed and that was done
- Splash pad backflow and diverter valves have all been ordered

Council Member Colanese

- Council Member Colanese advised all of the utilities are doing OK

Bills to be Paid

Council Member Doll moved to have the bills paid as presented. Council Member Short seconded and the motion passed 4—0.

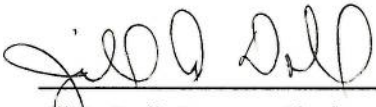
Adjournment

Council Member Doll motioned to adjourn, Council Member Colanese seconded. Passed 4-0. The meeting adjourned at 7:25 PM.



Marcy Kauffman, Council Vice President

Attest:



Jill A. Doll, Deputy Clerk