

New Carlisle Town Council
124 E. Michigan Street, New Carlisle, Indiana
General Meeting, October 18, 2022 , 6:30 PM

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance

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

Also in attendance: Andrea Halpin, Jason Quirk, Perry Hinton, Jill Doll, Tom Baker, Marla Godette, Nicholas Carr, Katlyn Collinsworth, Nancy Wickizer,, Leanne Huff, Katlyns family, Brent Croymans, Rod Wisser, Bob Middlebook, Carol Middlebrook, Alison Abbott

Approval of Minutes

Council Member Budreau moved to approve the minutes of the October 4, 2022 Public Hearing and General Meeting and the October 5 Special Meeting as written. The motion was seconded by Council Member Colanese and passed. Council Member Colanese moved to approve the minutes of the October 7 Special Meeting as written. The motion was seconded by Council Member Short and passed. Council Member Doll and Council Member Budreau abstained from the October 7 Special Meeting minutes.

Visitor Comments

- Marla Godette
55705 Sichuan Drive, Osceola, IN 46561

Thanked everyone for the opportunity to be here and speak tonight. Ms. Godette introduced herself as a write in candidate for the 2nd Congressional District in the upcoming election. She explained that she wasn't choosing to do this but was urged to run. Being a write-in candidate has taught her a lot. She moved here from the Metropolitan Detroit area and has worked in and around much of District 2 including La Porte, Elkhart and South Bend. She is going to be here and is not moving anywhere and would very much like to represent our district in congress. She has a website containing information on her candidacy and would be happy to answer any questions.

Employee Reports

- Chief Tom Baker

Introduced Nick Carr and Katlyn Collinsworth as the new officers selected to be sworn in tonight following Council approval. He said that Nick is a local boy living just a few blocks away.

Presented a request to close three streets for Halloween including Chestnut, Ben and Ada between Race and Bray Street for safety reasons to protect children.

Council Member Doll asked if there will be additional people working to check barricades , etc., and Chief Baker replied that will try . Chief Baker said that he understands there will be complaints either way but the number of people is a safety issue. If the Council chooses to close the streets to traffic, he will ask Sue to send a Reach Alert to announce the closing. Council Member Colanese stated that we want to protect our kids and also make it as convenient as possible. Chief Baker said Bray will be open so the library and school parking lots will be accessible and Perry will make sure the park parking lots are open as well. A resident asked where out of town people will park and where residents will park cars if they are handing out candy. This request was tabled for further discussion at a special meeting.

- Town Crew Supervisor Perry Hinton

Reported slow progress on the splash pad but it has now been tied into the water main and the sewer system.

- Jason Quirk, Electric Department

Council Member Colanese reported that Jason was unable to attend tonight but had submitted a report for the Council. He announced that Jason is now a member of the IMEA board.

- Attorney Andrea Halpin

We are now 30 days passed the hearing for demolition of house and shed and have received no response so can move forward with demolition. We need to make sure of the cost of demolition and if it is under 10K we can take care of it and demolish it. If it can't be done for less than 10k we will have to bid it out.

New Business

- Jon Peterson Consulting Services Agreement for Capital Asset Update

A service agreement for update of the Town's Capital Assets was presented for consideration. Council Member Budreau moved to approve the Agreement for Capital Asset Update from Jon Peterson Consulting Services at a cost of \$3,500. The motion was seconded by Council Member Short and passed 4-0.

Ordinances and Resolutions

- Ordinance #1432-an Ordinance Adopting the 2023 budget

Council Member Doll read Ordinance #1432 by caption only for the third and final reading.

Council Member Budreau moved to adopt Ordinance #1432 as written. The motion was seconded by Council Member Colanese and passed 4-0.

- Ordinance#1433- An Ordinance Authorizing the Issuance and Sale of Bonds to Provide Funds for the Costs of Capital Improvements, Land Acquisitions and Capital Equipment or Vehicles to serve Town Needs

A motion to waive the rules and read by caption only for the second reading as copies of Ordinance #1433 are available for all was made by Council Member Budreau and seconded by Council Member Short. Motion carried 4-0.

Council Member Doll read Ordinance #1433 by caption only for the second reading.

- **Ordinance#1434 – An Ordinance for Appropriation of the Proceeds of the GO bond of 2022**

Council Member Doll read Ordinance #1434 in entirety for the second reading.

- **Ordinance #1436- A Salary Ordinance for Employees of the Town of New Carlisle**

Council Member Doll read Ordinance #1436 by caption only for the first reading.

A motion to waive the rules to allow for the adoption of Ordinance #1436 on the day of introduction was made by Council Member Budreau and seconded by Council Member Short. Motion carried 4-0.

Council Member Doll read Ordinance #1436 in entirety for the second reading.

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Council Member Budreau moved to adopt Ordinance #1436 as written. The motion was seconded by Council Member Short and carried 4-0.

Council Reports

Council Member Doll

Did a walk through today for the Bray Street project.

Council Member Colanese

Congratulated Chief Baker and Assistant Chief Croymans for finding three very good officers in a time when that is very difficult.

Reported that Steve Mann has requested the Council donate 100 wreaths for the Wreaths Across America program. Council Member Budreau suggested using Council Promotional Funds for this. This will be added to the agenda for further discussion and a decision.

Council Member Budreau

Suggested that, in the best interest of safety, we make certain that demolition of the house discussed earlier be done properly. Andrea said that we will determine costs to do so and if they are under 10K we can have that done without the bidding process but if not, we will need to bid the demolition. Council Member Budreau expressed concern about the danger of asbestos and the need for proper removal if it is present.

Clerk-Treasurer's Report

The Town Hall will be closed all day tomorrow and until noon on Thursday to attend training and State Board of Accounts called school.


Requested that a meeting be set up soon to review the options for vendors for online/auto payments.

Bills to be Paid


Council Member Short moved that all bills be paid as presented on the Claims Docket. The motion was seconded by Council Member Budreau and passed 4-0.

Adjournment

Upon a motion by Council Member Budreau and second by Council Member Short the meeting was adjourned at 7:14 PM.


Marcy Kauffman, Council President

Attest:



Susan I. Moffitt, Clerk-Treasurer