

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

February 11, 2019

7:00 p.m.

I. CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President N. Cobbs called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL

Roll was called by Clerk-Treasurer S. Kuziela; present were Council Member J. Ton, Council Member L. Kittredge, Council Member D. Lafata, Council Member N. Cobbs, and Council Member E. DeLaney.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Council Member D. Lafata made the motion to approve the minutes of the January 28, 2019 Council Meeting, seconded by Council Member L. Kittredge, motion approved by unanimous voice vote.

IV. CONSIDERATION OF CLAIMS

Council Member D. Lafata made the motion to approve the claims as submitted for the Town Council, seconded by Council Member E. DeLaney, motion approved by unanimous voice vote.

V. PETITIONS AND COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR

NONE

VI. REPORTS FROM OFFICIALS AND DEPARTMENT HEADS

A. POLICE - No Report

B. FIRE - Chief Jarka submitted diagram to Council of the new fire truck the he inspected at the plant in South Dakota and reported on undercarriage protections added.

C. CLERK-TREASURER – Clerk-Treasurer S. Kuziela reported she is wrapping up the year end reports. She also advised there were no new donations to the Safe Haven Baby Box to report at this meeting.

D. STREETS, SANITATION & CENTRAL SERVICES- Commissioner J. Schnadenberg reported the Duneland Chamber of Commerce has submitted banner requests for the year including; Corkscrew and Brew March 16th, Taste of Duneland August 31st, Hometown Holiday Celebration November 30th, and Mistletoe Market December 7th. He advised banners are placed in designated locations and in place 2 weeks prior to event. Council Member L. Kittredge made the motion to approve requests, motion seconded by Council Member D. Lafata, motion approved by unanimous voice vote. He also reported that at the February 25th Council meeting they would be opening the quotes for the 11th Street paving project through the Community Crossings Grant, and he and Engineer M. O'Dell are working on the curb replacement project in Morgan Park.

E. ENGINEERING – Engineer M. O’Dell reported NIRPC has reviewed and scored the Westchester-Liberty Trail Phase III submission and the Town’s project scored the highest of projects submitted for the Multi-Use Trail Grant. He advised the Town should receive funding through NIRPC but these are 2022 Funds. He also reported on the Wayfaring Trail Signage project that is going out for bid and the Town’s portion of this project is \$56,302 and the Town’s share of this would be \$11,260 that would be paid to the Town of Highland the lead municipality for this project. He requested the Council to authorize him to work with the Clerk-Treasurer so a manual check can be written once the bill has been submitted. Council Member D. Lafata made the motion to authorize this request, motion seconded by Council Member J. Ton, motion approved by unanimous voice vote.

F. BUILDING - No Report

G. PARK - No Report

H. ATTORNEY - No Report

I. UTILITIES - Superintendent D. Ryan reported the Morgan Ave relining has been delayed because of weather and they are hoping to complete the project soon.

J. TOWN MANAGER- Town Manager B. Doyle requested the Council to grant him permission to begin organizing a committee to work on the Town’s Comprehensive Plan. Council Member D. Lafata made the motion to grant the permission to organize the committee for the Comprehensive Plan, motion seconded by Council Member L. Kittredge, motion approved by unanimous voice vote.

K. NIRPC REPORT - Council Member J. Ton reported there are 2 grants out, the Westchester-Liberty Trail, through the multi-use trail grant, and a federal grant for the Calumet and Norfolk Southern Railroad crossing.

VII. PUBLIC HEARINGS, BID OPENINGS AND REMONSTRANCES

NONE

VIII. ORDINANCES AND/OR RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION 2019-04 – Resolution of the Chesterton Town Council Authorizing the Purchase of Body and Vehicle Camera System for the Chesterton Police Department Pursuant to the Special Purchasing Methods Contained in Indiana Code 5-22-10 – Associate Town Attorney J. Paulson explained the purpose and need for this Resolution. Chief Cincoski presented information about this equipment and the costs and funding sources for this equipment. Council Member E. DeLaney made the motion to approve the Resolution, motion seconded by Council Member L. Kittredge, motion approved by unanimous voice vote.

IX. COMMUNICATIONS

NONE

X. OLD BUSINESS

Special Projects Coordinator – Town Manager B. Doyle reported on the selection process and commented on the number of applications and the depth of talent on staff with the Town. He recommended that Jennifer Gadzala be appointed as the Coordinator for the first year. Council Member J. Ton made the motion to appoint Jennifer Gadzala as the Special Projects Coordinator for the 1st year, motion seconded by Council Member E. DeLaney, motion approved by unanimous voice vote. The effective date will be the beginning of the next pay period.

NEW BUSINESS

NONE

XII. COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD

Council Member J. Ton:	Council Member J. Ton advised he was excited on the Westchester-Liberty Trail Phase III and that it is moving forward.
Council Member L. Kittredge:	No Comment
Council Member E. Delaney:	No Comment
Council Member D. Lafata:	No Comment
Council Member N. Cobbs:	No Comment

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

Council Member E. DeLaney made the motion to adjourn, seconded by Council Member J. Ton, motion approved by unanimous voice vote. meeting adjourned.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT

ATTEST:

Clerk-Treasurer S. Kuziela