

TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

July 28, 2014

7:00 p.m.

I. CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council President S. Darnell 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 J. Trout, Council Member N. Walding, Council Member S. Darnell, and Council Member E. Delaney.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Council Member J. Ton made the motion approve the minutes of the July 3, 2014 Special Meeting, July 10, 2014 Special Meeting, and July 14, 2013 Council Meeting, motion seconded by Council Member E. Delaney, motion approved by unanimous voice vote.

IV. CONSIDERATION OF CLAIMS

Council Member E. Delaney made the motion to approve claims as submitted, motion seconded by Council Member J. Ton, motion approved by unanimous voice vote.

V. PETITIONS AND COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR

ANTON INSURANCE – Presentation regarding amendment to benefit plan, and limitations for rehabilitation services. Council Member N. Walding made the motion to approve the amendment to the benefit plan, seconded by Council Member E. Delaney, motion approved by unanimous voice vote. Raymond Porter 4086 Crooked Lane Greenwood, In – representing Hoosier Rails to Trail presented information about the concept of having a cross State bike route, beginning at Dyer, In. and ending in Northern Fort Wayne, In. He advised that the proposed route would include the Duneland/ Prairie Trail, and then proceed north along Waverly Rd to the Calumet Trail. He advised that for this to be a certified Trail it must be endorsed by all of the municipalities through which it passes. The Council advised that he should forward his information to the Park Superintendent for review by the Park Board, Town Attorney, and appropriate department heads, and after their review submit for Council endorsement as recommended.

Victoria Brock 1265 Redbud Dr. - Mrs. Brock expressed a concern for businesses east of SR 49 along Indian Boundary. She commented about the number of businesses that are no longer in operation and felt that this was an issue of accessibility to the businesses, and not necessarily a signage issue. She requested that the design issues be reviewed before more businesses close.

VI. REPORTS FROM OFFICIALS AND DEPARTMENT HEADS

- A. POLICE - Chief Cincoski reported that they are accepting applications for a fulltime dispatcher, and candidates for police officer hiring list. Applications are available online.
- B. FIRE - Chief Jarka reported the A/C for the building has been repaired and it was found that the generator for the building was malfunctioning, and that is being repaired by Central Services. He also advised that a report has been completed regarding the ALS services, and he would answer questions.

- C. TOWN HALL - Clerk-Treasurer S. Kuziela reported she is working with department heads on the budgets, and preparing to work with the Council on the budget process.
- D. STREETS, SANITATION & CENTRAL SERVICES- Town Manager B. Doyle reported on behalf of Street Commissioner J. Schnadenberg, that the second round of paving has been completed, and that 60% of the bond issue paving is completed. He also advised they are accepting applications for a mechanic.
- E. ENGINEERING - Storm water Engineer C. Nesper provided update information concerning Storm Water Board projects including the Park Ave project. He also reported on the progress of Gateway Blvd improvements, and bridge.
- F. BUILDING - No Report
- G. PARK - Park Superintendent provided updates on Park projects.
- H. ATTORNEY - No Report
- I. UTILITIES - No Report
- J. TOWN MANAGER- Town Manager B. Doyle provided an update on a variety of projects.
- K. NIRPC REPORT - Council Member J. Ton reported on an addition to his written report. He advised that NIRPC had provided funding for Phase I of the Westchester/Liberty Trail but not Phase II as reported by Engineer M. O'Dell. He advised the NIRPC committee responsible for this funding met and the discussion was revisited, and they have decided to provide funding for Phase II in the amount of \$547,725 for engineering, and construction, and this should extend the Westchester/Liberty Trail almost to 5th St.

VII. PUBLIC HEARINGS, BID OPENINGS AND REMONSTRANCES

PUBLIC HEARING – RESOLUTION 2014-04 – RE-ESTABLISH THE CUMULATIVE CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT FUND – Associate Town Attorney Julie Paulson advised this is an annual requirement for this Fund. Council President S. Darnell opened the Public Hearing. No one spoke in favor or in opposition to the Resolution. Council President S. Darnell closed the Public Hearing. Council Member E. Delaney made the motion to approve the Resolution, seconded by Council Member J. Ton, motion approved by unanimous voice vote.

VIII. ORDINANCES AND/OR RESOLUTIONS

NONE

IX. COMMUNICATIONS

NONE

X. OLD BUSINESS

Town Construction Projects – No Report
Trail Reports - Reported on earlier by Council Member J. Ton.

XI. NEW BUSINESS

Council Member E. Delaney commented that the Council has worked on ways of providing pay increases for Town employees, and he advised that he would like to recommend at this time an increase of 3% for all full time employees, excluding Town Council Members to be effective August 10, 2014. Council Member E. Delaney made motion to that affect, seconded by Council Member J. Trout, motion approved by unanimous voice vote.

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Town Attorney Lukmann advised that he had prepared Ordinance 2014-12 Amending Ordinance 2013-19 - This Ordinance amends the salaries for full time employees as recommended. Council Member N. Walding made the motion to approve the Ordinance on 1st Reading, seconded by Council Member J. Trout, motion approved by unanimous voice vote. Council Member J. Ton made the motion to suspend the rules, seconded by Council Member E. Delaney, motion approved by unanimous voice vote. Council Member E. Delaney made the motion to approve the Ordinance on 2nd Reading, seconded by Council Member J. Ton, motion approved by unanimous voice vote.

XII. COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD

Council Member J. Ton:	Council Member J. Ton congratulated the Police and Fire Departments for their recognition by Safe Communities.
Council Member E. Delaney:	No Comment
Council Member N. Walding:	Council Member N. Walding was happy a raise could be provided to the employees.
Council Member J. Trout:	Council Member J. Trout agreed with Council Member Walding's comments.
Council Member S. Darnell:	No Comment

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

Council Member E. Delaney made motion to adjourn, seconded by Council Member J. Ton, motion approved by unanimous voice vote. Meeting adjourned.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT

ATTEST:

Clerk-Treasurer S. Kuziela