

MINUTES CICERO TOWN COUNCIL MEETING
June 4, 2013, Town Hall 7:00 PM
Cicero Town Hall, 70 N. Byron Street

Call To Order: President Jerry Cook called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Dennis Schruppf gave prayer. President Cook called for the roll call and the members of the Town Council were present or absent as follows:

Present: Jerry Cook
Brett Foster – 7:15 pm
Eric Hayden
Dennis Schruppf

Absent: Kay Hartley

President Cook declared a quorum present.

Others Present: Jan Unger, Clerk Treasurer
Pat Comer, Street & Utility Director
Dave Hildebrand, Police Chief
Steve Peachey, Fire Chief
Paul Munoz, Cicero/Jackson Township Plan Commission Director
Aaron Culp, Town Attorney
Keith Bryant, Town Attorney
Paul Utterback, Storm Water Management Board President

Approval of Prior Minutes:

Town Council Meeting Minutes for May 21, 2013 – Mr. Foster made a motion to approve the Minutes for May 21, 2013. Mr. Schruppf seconded, motion passed.

Approval of Agenda

Mr. Schruppf made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Mr. Foster seconded, motion passed.

Approval of Claims

Ms. Unger stated that she would like to add the claims for the Fire and Police Commissioners this evening. Mr. Foster made a motion to approve the claims including the Fire and Police Commissioners pay. Mr. Schruppf seconded, motion passed.

Petitions by Citizens

There were none.

President's Report

President Cook had nothing.

Council Committee Reports

There were none.

Legal Counsel Report- John Culp:

Aaron Culp stated that he had nothing this evening.

Cicero/Jackson Township Plan Commission Report

Mr. Munoz informed the Council that the Consultant for the Town's Comprehensive Plan, K.K. Gerhart-Fritz, has been asked to do a class at Ball State on long range

planning. She was previously a professor at Ball State. She is going to use Cicero as her class room and the Town will benefit from the results of her class without a charge.

Town Engineer Report

Mr. Bryant stated the following:

1. Jackson Street Pedestrian Path Project: INDOT still has the letting for July.
2. S. Stringtown Pike Ballpark Walkway: The contractor has been back and completed the punch list. This project is complete.
3. Cicero-Downtown Sewer Improvements (I&I): United is still working the Survey and Design work.
4. Wiley Street Storm Drain: United is working on the plans for Mr. Comer's crew to complete this project.

Old Business

Council To Discuss Bond Issue For Cicero-Downtown Sewer Improvements (I&I).

Mr. Cook introduced Mr. Deen Rogers and Ashley Mejean with H.J. Umbaugh & Associates. Ms. Mejean distributed copies of the Financial Information. Mr. Rogers reviewed for the Council the amortization schedule without refunding and with refund of the existing bonds. He explained that with the refunding the debt service reserve amount would be lower, from \$340,373 to \$288,498. With what the Town has in debt service reserve currently there would be no additional funds needed. Additionally, the Town's rates would be based on the lower amount. The benefit in this is with the refunding there would be no additional rate increase needed to fund the bonds. Mr. Rogers stated that the Storm Water Management Board has agreed to pledge up to \$50,000 per year toward the bond payment for up to six years. Mr. Paul Utterback, president of the Storm Water Management Board stated that was correct. Mr. Foster made a motion to approve proceeding with refunding the existing bonds. Mr. Schrupf seconded, motion passed unanimously.

New Business

There was none.

Miscellaneous Business

1. Mr. Cambre, park superintendent, informed the Council that the parks department has planted approximately 100 River Birch and Red Oaks they received from Senator Jim Buck's office. Mr. Cambre also stated that the parks department has purchased Red Oaks from the DNR and most of those are planted. All of these trees are planted in the baseball park area.
2. Mr. Foster informed the Council that the town received the June property tax money from the two TIF Districts. The Southeast TIF received \$26,235.00 and the Southwest TIF received \$48,560.91.
3. Mr. Comer informed the Council that he has asked Aaron Culp to write an enforcement ordinance for illegal discharge of storm water. Mr. Comer stated that he needed this Ordinance in effect by July 17th.

Comments from the Public

1. Mr. Mike Murphy stated that Mr. Munoz, Mr. Comer and he attended the IDEM Conference and Cicero came through with a good showing. The Rain Barrel Program is being well received. The main focus of the conference was sustainability.

Signatures on Official Documents!

Mr. Hayden made a motion to adjourn the Town Council Meeting. Mr. Foster seconded. Motion to adjourn passed.

Jerry G. Cook – President

Dennis D. Schrupf- Vice-President

Brett S. Foster

Eric C. Hayden

Sylvia Kay Hartley

Attested: _____
Jan Unger, Clerk Treasurer

Note: The Next Cicero Town Council Meeting will be on Tuesday, June 18, 2013 @ 7:00 PM at the Cicero Town Hall.