



**TOWN OF CICERO
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2020 at 7:00 PM**

Call to Order: President Strong called the meeting to order. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Ms. Victoria Chambers with our local Boy Scouts of America Troop 103 Girls. Mr. Taylor gave the prayer. President Strong continued with roll call. Members were present or absent as follows:

Present: Chad Amos
Jerry Cook
Chris Lutz
Jack Russell
Dan Strong

Absent:

President Strong declared a quorum present.

Others Present: Rhonda Gary, Clerk Treasurer
Sam Haymaker, Park Superintendent
Terry Cooper, Street & Utilities Director
Jim Hunter, Police Chief
Lance Overholser, Fire Chief
C.J. Taylor, Cicero/Jackson Township Plan Commission Director
Aaron Culp, Town Attorney
Keith Bryant, Town Engineer
Bruce Freeman, Storm Water Management Board President

Approval of Agenda: Mr. Russell made a motion to approve the agenda as amended. Mr. Amos seconded, motion passed.

Approval of Prior Minutes:

Town Council Meeting August 18, 2020, 7:00 PM

Mr. Lutz made a motion to approve the minutes listed above. Mr. Cook seconded, motion passed.

Approval of Claims: Mr. Amos made a motion to approve the claims dated 9/1/2020. Mr. Russell seconded, motion passed.

Council Committee Reports:

1. OTC Report – Ms. Holt explained that the grant OTC received for the pocket park is not going to be able to be used for the original project they presented to the council due unforeseen circumstances. Ms. Holt and Ms. Strong presented OTC’s proposal to add an artistic element to the town. The consensus from the council was yes. Ms. Holt asked President Strong to follow up with a letter of support. President Strong agreed to do so.
2. EDC Report – Nothing.
3. SWU Management Board Report – Nothing.

Legal Counsel Report- Aaron Culp: Nothing.

Cicero/Jackson Township Plan Commission Report-C.J. Taylor

Permit Revenue: August 2020 = \$8,342 YTD: \$59,736

August 2019 = \$8,235 YTD: \$55,777

Difference: Month = \$107 YTD: \$3,959

1. A total of 26 building permits were issued in August 2020. Eighteen inside the corporate limits (5 were new homes). A total of 8 building permits were issued in Jackson Township (2 were new homes).
2. Plan Commission will be conducting a public hearing regarding the proposed development fees ordinance on September 9th.
3. The house at 146 Sunset Ct. has been purchased and scheduled for demolition.
4. Dark Side Roasters coffee shop will be opening at 110 West Jackson St. soon.

Town Engineer Report-Mr. Keith Bryant –

1. Update on E. Jackson Street Project – Final Payment No. 12 – After a brief discussion, Mr. Amos made a motion to approve Final Payment No. 12. Mr. Lutz seconded, motion passed.
2. Tamarack – Section 2 is still under construction, but close to finishing. A review for Section 3 has been submitted and they are awaiting a response. Mr. Bryant advised that they have received the sanitary permit.
3. I & I Project – Mr. Bryant advised that the pipe bursting on Bay Shore Dr. was successful and the sleeves on Stringtown Pk. are working well. Once the lining is complete, they will evaluate where we are with any remaining funds.

Old Business: None.

New Business:

1. Tap and Availability Fees – President Strong stated that he has spoken with Deen Rogers at BakerTilly and they agreed to add this to the next study. Mr. Amos made a motion to approve \$1,000 from Water Improvement and \$1,000 from WW Improvement to pay for the study. Mr. Russell seconded, motion passed.
2. Hamilton County Emergency Management Letter of Agreement – Chief Overholser presented a final draft to the council. He asked that the council vote to approve and allow President Strong to sign the Letter of Agreement. Mr. Amos made a motion to do so. Mr. Russell seconded, motion passed.
3. Water/Wastewater Utility Expansion– Mr. Bryant stated that we are at capacity and this will increase capacity and dependability as well as help with overflow and bypassing. Mr. Lutz made a motion to approve and allow President Strong to sign. Mr. Cook seconded, motion passed.

Miscellaneous:

1. Pool – Mr. Lutz inquired about the status of the pool. Mr. Russell stated that there are drainage issues. Mr. Bryant spoke of piping issues and settling slabs that may be contributing to the problems. They are looking into the cost of repairing the pool. More info to follow.

2. Railroad – President Strong stated that as of August 31st, they are getting quotes to repair the railroad. It looks favorable that it will be repaired and that the county is supportive.

Comments by Citizens:

1. Mr. Freeman inquired about the status of 236th Street. Chief Hunter said that he hopes that it will be open around Thanksgiving.
2. Mr. Green updated the council about his drainage issues on his property. Mr. Bryant stated that the contractor is going to put in a swale and a lift on the sewer lid. Mr. Bryant hopes to reestablish what was there prior to the work that was completed there.

Motion to Adjourn: Mr. Russell made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Lutz seconded, motion passed.

Signatures on Official Documents!

Signatures of Cicero Town Council

Dan Strong, President

Chad B. Amos

Jerry G. Cook

Christopher J. Lutz

Richard J. Russell

Attested: _____
Rhonda Gary, Clerk Treasurer

The Next Cicero Town Council Meeting will be on September 15, 2020, at 7:00 PM at Red Bridge Community Building.