



**TOWN OF CICERO
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2021 at 7:00 PM**

Call to Order: President Strong called the meeting to order and lead the Pledge of Allegiance. Ms. Gary gave the prayer. Mr. Strong called for roll call. Members of the Cicero Town Council were present or absent as follows:

Present: Chad Amos
Chad Blueher
Jerry Cook
Chris Lutz
Dan Strong

Absent:

Declare a Quorum Present: President Strong declared a quorum present.

Others Present: Rhonda Gary, Clerk Treasurer
Jeff Rednour, Police Chief
Lance Overholser, Fire Chief
Frank Zawadzki, Cicero/Jackson Township Plan Commission Director
Terry Cooper, Street & Utilities Director
Jim Hunter, Parks Superintendent
Shae Kmicikewycz, Community Development
Aaron Culp, Town Attorney
Keith Bryant, Town Engineer
Bruce Freeman, Storm Water Management Board President

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

Approval of Prior Minutes:

Town Council Meeting Minutes, September 21, 2021, 7:00 PM

Town Council Executive Session Memorandum, October 5, 2021, 6:30 PM

Town Council Meeting Minutes, October 5, 2021, 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 10/19/21. Mr. Blueher seconded, motion passed.

Council Committee Reports:

1. OTC Report – Mr. Blueher had nothing to report.
2. EDC Report – Mr. Amos had nothing to report.
3. SWU Management Board Report – Mr. Freeman had nothing to report at this time.

Legal Counsel Report – Mr. Culp had nothing at this time.

Cicero/Jackson Township Plan Commission Report –

Permit Revenue: September 2021 = \$10,591.00 YTD: \$121217.00
September 2020 = \$16638.00 YTD: \$76374.00
Difference: Month = -\$6047.00 YTD: \$44843.00

A total of 20 building permits were issued in September 2021. Fourteen were inside the corporate limits (of which 8 were new homes). A total of six permits were issued in Jackson Township (of which 1 was a new home). Estimated cost of projects permitted was \$2,787,306.00. Total of 55 Inspections were done in the month of September.

Town Engineer Report – Keith Bryant –

1. Tamarack – Mr. Bryant stated that construction continues in Phase 4. Progress has been slow with the wet weather but watermain installation has recommenced.
2. Water/Wastewater Treatment Plant –
 - a. Water – Mr. Bryant stated that we are waiting for final agreement as it is in the landowner’s attorney. President Strong will follow up with the attorney.
 - b. Wastewater – Mr. Bryant has received the preliminary engineering report back for the recent sludge dewatering equipment demo and it looks good. Preliminary engineering continues.
3. Auburn Estates – Mr. Bryant stated that there is not a lot of construction going on right now due to the weather; however, most of the infrastructure is complete.

Old Business:

1. EDC/RFI – Nothing to report.

New Business:

1. BZA appointment – Mr. Amos made a motion to appoint Mr. Zell, a previous member, to the BZA. Mr. Lutz seconded, motion carried.
2. Holiday Schedule – Mr. Cook made a motion to approve the 2022 Holiday Schedule. Mr. Blueher seconded, motion carried.
3. Transfer of Funds – Mr. Amos made a motion to approve Resolution 10-19-2021-1. Mr. Lutz seconded.
4. Community Park Restrooms – Mr. Lutz inquired about the status of the restrooms in community park. Mr. Hunter stated that they have had so much vandalism that he decided to close the community park public restrooms at 4:00 each day. Conversation ensued about security cameras. In the end, Mr. Amos asked for Mr. Hunter to bring a proposal for a security system for the council’s review.

Miscellaneous: There was nothing.

Comments by Citizens:

- a. Ms. Wilcox discussed a survey that she later presented to the council for their review. Council offered comments concerning the survey. Ms. Wilcox told the council that the Cicero Pool Foundation has applied for a 501c3 status but have not yet heard back. She also cited their mission statement. Ms. Brockhoff said that they changed their name to Cicero Pool Foundation from Friends of the Pool

because of the confusion with Friends of the Park. Mr. Amos stated that the council has no affiliation with friends of the pool, friends of the new pool or anything else. He also stated that the council cannot answer questions asked on social media due to quorum concerns. In addition, Mr. Amos added that Superintendent Hunter does not need to respond to these groups on a daily basis, as he has a department to run. There are council liaisons for each department. Mr. Amos noted that two council members have quit the council in the last four years who were parks liaisons, not to mention that Mr. Hunter is the third parks superintendent in as many years. Mr. Amos is in favor of waiting on the 5-year parks master plan before considering a pool or its placement if the foundation is wanting to build one. President Strong thanked Ms. Wilcox for all her efforts and hard work.

b. Ms. Brockhoff thanked the council for the microphones.

Motion to Adjourn: Mr. Lutz made the motion. Mr. Amos seconded, motion carried.

Signatures on Official Documents!

Signatures of Cicero Town Council

Dan Strong, President

Chad B. Amos

Chad M. Blueher

Jerry G. Cook

Christopher J. Lutz

Attested: _____
Rhonda Gary, Clerk Treasurer

The Next Cicero Town Council Meeting will be on (Wednesday) November 3, 2021, at 7:00 PM at Red Bridge Community Building.