



**TOWN OF CICERO  
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
TUESDAY, JANUARY 18, 2022 at 7:00 PM**

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

**Present:** Chad Amos  
Chad Blueher  
Jerry Cook  
Dan Strong

**Absent:** Chris Lutz

**Declare a Quorum Present:** President Amos 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  
Aaron Culp, Town Attorney  
Keith Bryant, Town Engineer  
Bruce Freeman, Storm Water Management Board President

**Approval of Agenda:** Mr. Cook made a motion to approve the agenda. Mr. Blueher seconded, motion carried.

**Approval of Prior Minutes:**

**Town Council Meeting Minutes, January 4, 2022, 7:00 PM**

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

**Approval of Claims:** Mr. Strong made a motion to approve the claims dated 1/18/22. Mr. Cook seconded, motion passed.

**Council Committee Reports:**

1. OTC Report – Nothing to report at this time.
2. EDC Report – Nothing to report at this time.
3. SWU Management Board Report – Nothing new to report at this time.

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

**Cicero/Jackson Township Plan Commission Report** – Mr. Zawadzki had nothing at this time; however, he did mention that he sent out a spreadsheet today that addressed drainage/fence issues. Mr. Blueher thanked Mr. Zawadzki for keeping on top of it.

### **Town Engineer Report:**

1. Tamarack – Mr. Bryant stated that Section 4 infrastructure is finished. We anticipate a request from the developer soon for a substantial completion inspection.
2. Auburn Estates – Mr. Bryant said that water connections have been made. The infrastructure is done and successfully tested. The walkthrough was good today and they have been given a punch list.
3. Water – Mr. Bryant stated that they are looking for opportunities to do test wells at the second site. Jerry, Terry and Dan met with the property owner this week and hope to hear back from them soon – allowing the tests.
4. Wastewater – Mr. Bryant said that the surveyors are scheduled (weather permitting) for the aerial and supplemental survey. They continue to work on design plans and demo specs.
5. Mr. Bryant referenced his prior email indicating that the MPO application for the Jackson / Main Street project was unsuccessful, but very close in scoring (the last award was only 1 point more than the town). He suggested meeting with the MPO to see how they scored individual areas to determine how best to modify the application for project requests anticipated later this year. Chad Amos said that they would determine what 2-council members would like to attend the meeting so it could be set up.
6. Mr. Bryant noted that he would present Task Orders for the Brinton Street and Morse Landing West Drive drainage projects soon (potentially at the next Council Meeting).

### **Old Business:**

1. Agreement for Legal Services – Mr. Blueher made a motion to approve the agreement for legal services for the town with Mr. Culp. Mr. Cook seconded, motion carried.

### **New Business:**

1. Resolution 01-18-2022-01 Dock Fees – Mr. Strong made a motion to approve the resolution. Mr. Blueher seconded, motion carried.
2. Ordinance 01-18-2022-02 Salary Amendment – Mr. Strong made a motion to approve the resolution. Mr. Blueher seconded, motion carried.
3. CCMG Update & Financial Commitment Letter – Mr. Strong made a motion to allow President Amos to sign the letter. Mr. Cook seconded, motion carried.
4. Cicero Sports Complex Agreements – Mr. Cook made a motion to approve the three agreements that were presented. Mr. Blueher seconded, motion carried.
5. Handbook Update – Chief Rednour has been working with Lexipol and Mr. Culp updating the police department bylaws. Mr. Blueher made a motion to approve and allow Chief Rednour to sign bylaws. Mr. Strong seconded, motion carried.
6. IU Ball Sponsoring Hospital MOU – Mr. Strong made a motion to allow Chief Overholser to sign the documents required for ambulance right to do business and MOU contingent on Mr. Culp's approval. Mr. Cook seconded, motion carried.

**Miscellaneous:** There was nothing.

### **Comments by Citizens:**

- a. Ms. Brockhoff requested that the council lease in the amount of \$1 annually for 50 years the property where the old pool was. She stated that the Cicero Pool Foundation plan to have a new community pool built within the next 5 years. If a new pool is not completed within the next five years, the agreement is null and void.

- b. Ms. Giesler addressed the council. She gave some background about herself. Even spoke of her 93-year-old father-in-law and his service to our country. She proceeded to tell the council about her displeasure in the council’s leadership. Ms. Giesler said that the council does the pledge and a prayer before meetings, but do not request a servant’s heart in performing the will of the people. She stated that the secret meetings and hidden documents lead people to the conclusion that they are being ruled. She addressed President Amos in saying that he made a rule to deny people the ability to ask questions. She stated that is unconstitutional and violates their bill of rights. In conclusion, Ms. Giesler suggested that if the council cannot perform their elected duties, they should resign. Ms. Giesler took no questions and immediately exited the meeting.

**Motion to Adjourn:** Mr. Strong made the motion. Mr. Blueher seconded, motion carried.

**Signatures on Official Documents!**

*Signatures of Cicero Town Council*

\_\_\_\_\_  
Chad B. Amos, President

\_\_\_\_\_  
Chad M. Blueher

\_\_\_\_\_  
Jerry G. Cook

\_\_\_\_\_  
Christopher J. Lutz

\_\_\_\_\_  
Dan Strong

Attested: \_\_\_\_\_  
Rhonda Gary, Clerk Treasurer

**The Next Cicero Town Council Meeting will be on February 1, 2022, at 7:00 PM at Red Bridge Community Building.**