



**TOWN OF CICERO
TOWN COUNCIL RETREAT MEMORANDUM
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2023 at 8:00 AM**

Call to Order: President Blueher called the meeting to order.

Present: Chad Blueher
Jerry Cook
Joe Cox
Eric Hayden
Christopher Lutz

Absent:

Others Present: Rhonda Gary, Clerk Treasurer
Dan Strong, Project Coordinator

Department Discussions (General discussion on each Department strength, weakness, opportunity, threat)

Police: Chief Rednour distributed a handout. Then proceeded to go through the different tabs on the handout. He touched on 2023 Goals, 2022 Data, Five Year Stats, Overtime Stats and 2021-2022 Stats.

Utilities and Street Departments: Director Cooper distributed a handout which covered:

- a. **Street and Utilities:** He went on to discuss the problems facing the Street and Utilities Department i.e. price increases, surcharges & the supply chain were his main concerns. Director Cooper also touched on CCMG possibilities in addition to the Tollgate Road grant application that Mr. Strong recently submitted.
- b. **Stormwater Department:** Director Cooper briefly talked about the Brinton Street Rehabilitation Project repairs such as line spot repairs, adding an additional manhole and relining the entire storm line from CVS to the lake.
- c. **Wastewater Department:** Director Cooper discussed the new plant as well as the location for a new fence. The new plant design is 90+% complete, possible bid dates and construction time frame.
- d. **Water Department:** Director Cooper said that his new employee will begin his new role on 2/13/23. He also talked about the water system upgrades to include repairs as well as summer water usage.

Plan: Commissioner Zawadzki talked about the benefits of digitizing blueprints. He also spoke about having an administrative assistant or code enforcer full time in the future. He said that he has a good working relationship with Deputy Fire Chief Smith, M/I Homes, Lennar Homes as well as his involvement with MS-4.

CT Office: Clerk Treasurer Gary said that there are no significant upgrades in the works for 2023 for the utility office as they are still working on implementing the new phone system in all departments as well as BerryComm. Implementation of Invoice Cloud is still on the table, but not until phones and internet are securely in place. She also touched on the town's involvement

in the Hamilton County Bicentennial Celebration, training, cross training and reestablishing the town's CCD. Lastly, she stated that the Annual Financial Report is complete.

Town Council Discussion:

- a. Annexation – Mr. Lutz talked about how to proceed. Council members discussed a plan for possible participation in an annexation proposal. They also discussed asking Mr. Burtron with Taft to come in for a discussion concerning direction on possibly moving forward with the annexation proposal.

- b. Planning/Goals/Priorities – Council talked about water concerns, a road impact study tied to new development, a park board, trails, establishing a Red Bridge Park Committee, and who should be on that committee.

Motion to Adjourn: Mr. Cook made the motion. Mr. Cox seconded, motion carried.

Signatures on Official Documents!

Signatures of Cicero Town Council

Chad M. Blueher, President

Christopher J. Lutz, Vice President

Jerry G. Cook

Joseph R. Cox

Eric C. Hayden

Attested: _____
Rhonda Gary, Clerk Treasurer