



**TOWN OF CICERO
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, JANUARY 3, 2023 at 7:00 PM**

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

Present:	Chad Blueher	Absent:	Christopher Lutz
	Jerry Cook		
	Joseph Cox		
	Eric Hayden		

Declare a Quorum Present: VP Blueher declared a quorum with four members 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 as amended. Mr. Cox seconded, motion carried.

1. Election of Officers:

a. President of the Council –

Motion to Open Nominations – Mr. Hayden, 2nd – Mr. Cook, motion carried.
Mr. Cook nominated Mr. Blueher for Cicero Town Council President, Mr. Blueher accepted. There were no other nominations.
Motion to Close Nominations – Mr. Hayden, 2nd – Mr. Cook, passed.
Mr. Hayden made a motion to elect Mr. Blueher as Cicero Town Council President. Mr. Cox seconded, motion carried.

b. Vice President of Council –

Motion to Open Nominations – Mr. Hayden, 2nd – Mr. Cook, passed. Mr. Cox made a motion to nominate Mr. Lutz for Cicero Town Council Vice President. Mr. Cook seconded, motion carried. There were no other nominations.
Motion to Close Nominations – Mr. Hayden, 2nd – Mr. Cook seconded, motion carried. Mr. Cox made a motion to elect Mr. Lutz as Cicero Town Council Vice President. Mr. Cook seconded, motion carried.

c. Appoint 2023 Department Heads –

Town Council Appointments: President Blueher made a motion to retain all department heads from 2022. Mr. Cook seconded, motion carried. They are as follows:

Fire Chief – Mr. Overholser

Police Chief – Mr. Rednour

Street/Utilities Director – Mr. Cooper

Plan Commission Director – Mr. Zawadzki

Parks Superintendent – Mr. Hunter

Town Council President Liaison Appointments: President Blueher appointed the following liaisons:

Fire Department – Mr. Hayden

Police Department – Mr. Cox

Street/Utilities – Mr. Cook

Plan Commission – Mr. Lutz

Parks Superintendent – President Blueher

Other Appointments

Appointments to the Cicero Fire Commission – 4-year term.

- President Blueher reappointed Mr. Bowman to the Cicero Fire Commission.
- Mr. Hayden made a motion to reappoint Mr. Heaver to the Cicero Fire Commission. Mr. Cook seconded, motion carried.
- Fire Department Appointment – Chief Overholser will follow up with Mr. Whitehead.

The Cicero Metropolitan Police Commission – 3-year term

Mr. Cook made a motion to reappoint Mr. Miller to the Cicero Metropolitan Police Commission. Mr. Cox seconded, motion carried.

Plan Commission – 4-year term

- Mr. Cox made a motion to appoint Mr. Scrumpf, Mr. Lutz and Mr. Hayden to the Cicero Plan Commission. Mr. Cook seconded, motion carried.
- President Blueher then appointed Mrs. Burkhardt, Mr. Diller, Mr. Massonne and Mr. Strong to the Cicero Plan Commission.

BZA Appointment – 4-year term

- Mr. Cook made a motion to appoint Mr. Zell to the BZA. Mr. Cox seconded, motion carried.
- President Blueher appointed Mr. Schrumpf to the BZA.

Cicero Economic Development Committee (EDC) – 2-year term

- President Blueher appointed Mr. Mann to the EDC.
- Mr. Hayden made a motion to appoint Mr. McDonald and Ms. Zupin to the EDC. Mr. Cook seconded, motion carried.

Cicero Redevelopment Commission- 3 presidential appointments/2 council appointments

Chad Blueher – President Appointment

Jerry Cook – President Appointment

Joe Cox – Council

Eric Hayden – Council

Chris Lutz – President Appointment

Appointment to Storm Water Management Board – 3-year term

Mr. Mehlan was retained for a three year term at the SWU Meeting last week.

Appointment to the Hamilton County Emergency Management Advisory Council.

Mr. Hayden made a motion to retain Chief Overholser as the Hamilton County Emergency Management Advisory Council. Mr. Cook seconded, motion carried.

Approval of Prior Minutes:

Town Council Meeting Minutes, December 28, 2022, 9:30 AM

Mr. Cook made a motion to approve the 12/28/2022 Town Council meeting minutes. Mr. Hayden seconded, motion carried.

Approval of Claims: There were no claims.

Council Committee Reports:

1. OTC Report – President Blueher stated that he has nothing new at this time. He also stated that OTC would like to thank the town for the support during the Christmas festivities.
2. EDC Report – Mr. Cox reported that they are meeting on 1/4/23 to elect a new president and vice president. He also reported that they will be reviewing the RFIs from the parking study.
3. SWU Management Board Report – SWU President Freeman stated that he has nothing new to report.

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

Cicero/Jackson Township Plan Commission Report – Director's Report - December 2022

Permit Revenue: December 2022 = \$5,279 YTD: \$175,329

December 2021 = \$11,982 YTD: \$152,859

Difference: Month = -\$6,703 YTD: \$22,470

A total of 18 building permits were issued in December, 2022. Twelve were inside corporate limits (of which three were for new homes). Six permits were issued in Jackson Township (of which, 0 new homes). Estimated Cost of projects permitted \$904,815

Additional updates –

- a. Auburn Estates – 62 lots in section 1, all have been permitted.
- b. Tamarack Section 4 – 69 lots, 15 left to be permitted.

Town Engineer Report –

1. Tamarack – Mr. Bryant stated that there is nothing new with Tamarack or Auburn Estates since the last meeting.
2. Water – Mr. Bryant reported that they are still waiting to do testing on the third wellsite.
3. Wastewater – Mr. Bryant said that they are proceeding with the design. Mr. Hayden inquired about a construction period for the new plant. Mr. Bryant guessed about a year to 18 months. Mr. Culp inquired about the bonding process. Mr. Bryant guessed sometime in March would be the appropriate time to begin the process.

Old Business:

1. BerryComm – Mr. Lambert was present to address concerns about disrepair and sink holes believed to be caused by BerryComm. Mr. Lambert was apologetic and assured the council that they will address concerns as soon as possible. He also asked that the town contact him immediately when there is a concern. Moving forward, Mr. Cooper will be the first line of communication to report any issues. Mr. Lambert believes that the lag in service was mostly due to miscommunication. He assured the council that he plans to oversee the remaining installation. In addition, he also believes that Mr. Lynch with BizServ is involved and probably should have been from the beginning. His involvement has made this a smoother process.

New Business:

1. Encumbrances – Ms. Gary distributed a memo to the council for the encumbrances from the 2022 appropriations.
 - a. General 1101370404 Vehicle Equipment \$5,700.00
 - b. General 1101069443 Phone System \$24,000.00
 - c. General 1101370403 Police Vehicles \$6,653.57
2. Appointment – Mr. Cox made a motion to appoint Mr. Strong to the position of Cicero Project Coordinator. Mr. Cook seconded, motion carried.

Miscellaneous: There was nothing.

Comments by Citizens: There were none.

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

The Next Cicero Town Council Meeting will be on January 17, 2023, at 7:00 PM at Cicero Town Hall.