



**TOWN OF CICERO
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 6, 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
Jerry Cook
Chris Lutz
Dan Strong

Absent: Chad Blueher

Declare a Quorum Present: President Amos 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
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. Strong seconded, motion carried.

Approval of Prior Minutes:

Town Council Meeting Minutes, November 15, 2022, 7:00 PM

Town Council Executive Session, November 17, 2022, 6:00 PM

Mr. Lutz made a motion to approve the minutes listed above as presented. Mr. Strong seconded; motion carried.

Approval of 12/06/22 Claims: Mr. Lutz made a motion to approve the claims dated 12/06/22 as presented. Mr. Strong seconded, motion passed.

Council Committee Reports:

1. OTC Report – Mr. Blueher was not present; however, Chief Rednour stated that the festival went well. He will follow up with Deputy Chief Smith with recommendations.
2. EDC Report – Mr. Cox reported that he is still waiting for the third parking proposal. He also reported that Mr. Matt Mann will be joining the EDC. Ms. Gary will add that to the 12/20/2022 agenda for town council president consideration.
3. SWU Management Board Report – SWU President Freeman stated that they have tied up all the loose ends from the grant and are anxious to begin the Brinton Street Project.

Legal Counsel Report – Mr. Culp was not present for the meeting.

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

Permit Revenue: November 2022 = \$7,826 YTD: \$170,050

November 2021 = \$19,844 YTD: \$140,877

Difference: Month = -\$12,018 YTD: \$29,173

A total of 17 building permits were issued for November 2022. Seventeen were inside the corporate limits (of which 7 were new homes). No permits were issued for Jackson Twp. Estimated Cost of projects permitted \$2,693,415.

Additional updates:

- Auburn Estates Subdivision – 62 lots in section 1, only 2 to be permitted.
- Tamarack Section 4 – 69 lots, 15 left to be permitted.

IDEM MS-4 Audit – official report received. We have a list of items required and a deadline of 12/31/22 to submit these items to remain in compliance.

Town Engineer Report –

1. Tamarack – Mr. Bryant stated that the developer has indicated that the punch list items for Sections 1 and 2 are done. United will inspect Sections 1 and 2 to verify punch list completion. Then, MI will finalize bonds after town Cicero Town Council acceptance of the infrastructure. Sections 3 & 4 will also be inspected. Mr. Cooper and his crew will inspect the hydrants, meters, pits, etc. for Sections 3 and 4.
2. Auburn Estates – Mr. Bryant informed the council that they had not heard back on the punch list status as they were waiting on materials as stated in the last conversation.
3. Water – Mr. Bryant reported that they are still waiting for access to the third well site for test wells.
4. Wastewater Treatment Plant – Mr. Bryant said that design continues and that it is 85-90% complete.
5. Stringtown Pike Rehab Project – Mr. Bryant stated that they did a walkthrough with Grady Brothers and created the Substantial Completion Punch List. Mr. Bryant said that some of the things on the list will have to wait until spring due to weather limitations. He asked that the council approve the Substantial Completion and allow President Amos to sign the Certificate. Mr. Cook made that motion. Mr. Lutz seconded, motion carried.

Old Business:

1. Ordinance 10-18-2022-1 An Ordinance Amending the Cicero/Jackson Township Zoning Ordinance to Establish New Article 5.2 Addressing Commercial Solar Energy Systems – Mr. Lutz made a motion to rescind Ordinance 10-18-2022-1 previously passed. Mr. Cook seconded, motion carried. Mr. Strong then made a motion to approve Ordinance 10-18-2022-1. Mr. Cook seconded, motion carried.
2. Salary Ordinance 10-18-2022-4 – Mr. Lutz made a motion to approved Salary Ordinance 10-18-2022-4. Mr. Cook seconded, motion carried.

New Business:

1. Marina Discussion – Parks Superintendent Hunter presented a quote from Thomas Docks in the amount of \$83,500.11 to complete the marina. The only quote that was received of three that were solicited. Mr. Lutz inquired about funding for the project and stated that he would like to see a portion of the funds from the Park Fund. Superintendent Hunter said that he and Ms. Gary have been working on the funds. In the end, Mr. Lutz made a motion to approve the amounts: \$10,000.00 from the Parks current budget, \$25,000.00 from that Parks Fund and \$48,500.11 from SE TIF. Mr. Strong seconded, motion carried.
2. Transfer Ordinance 12-06-2022-1 – Mr. Strong made a motion to approve the transfer ordinance. Mr. Lutz seconded, motion carried.
3. Redistricting Ordinance – Mr. Lutz and Mr. Strong offered information concerning the introduction of the redistricting ordinance. This is the first reading for this ordinance. More information to follow. Mr. Strong asked Ms. Gary to add this to the 12-20-2022 Agenda.
4. Dock Rental Rates – Mr. Lutz made a motion to approve the 2023 Dock Rental Rates. Mr. Cook seconded, motion carried.
5. End of Year Meeting – Council agreed to meet on 12/28/22 at 9:30 at Town Hall to wrap up 2022.
6. Public Hearing for Ordinance 12-06-2022-2 Garbage Collection Fees – Ms. Gary introduced the ordinance for the first reading. She also stated that there will be a public hearing and adoption of Ordinance 12-06-2022-2 Garbage Collection Fees on 12/28/22 at 9:30 am at the Cicero Town Hall.

Miscellaneous:

1. Cameras – President Amos gave a brief description of the Flock Safety Cameras i.e. use, effectiveness, etc. In the end, Mr. Lutz made a motion to allow Chief Rednour to purchase two cameras. Mr. Strong seconded, motion carried.

Comments by Citizens: SWU Freeman inquired about how the cameras were activated. President Amos replied that they are motion censored.

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

Signatures on Official Documents!

Signatures of Cicero Town Council

Chad B. Amos, President

Chad M. Blueher, Vice President

Jerry G. Cook

Christopher J. Lutz

Dan Strong

Attested: _____
Rhonda Gary, Clerk Treasurer

The Next Cicero Town Council Meeting will be on December 20, 2022, at 7:00 PM at Red Bridge Community Building.