



**TOWN OF CICERO  
TOWN COUNCIL STAFF MEETING MINUTES  
MAY 11, 2023 at 7:00 PM**

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

**Present:** Chad Blueher  
Jerry Cook  
Joe Cox  
Eric Hayden  
Chris Lutz

**Absent:**

**Others Present:** Rhonda Gary, Clerk Treasurer

**1. Town Council –**

- a. Financial Crimes Task Force – Mr. Cox and Chief Rednour talked about the pros and cons of the task force. In the end, council was in favor of moving forward with a contract if Mr. Culp is ok with the contract. Ms. Gary will add this to the council meeting agenda.
- b. Rate Study – Removed from the agenda.
- c. Tollgate/County – Brief discussion on the CCMG for Tollgate Rd.

**2. Parks –**

- a. Community Building Roof – Superintendent Hunter reached out to a couple of vendors to check the roof on the community building. There is possible wind damage. Ms. Gary will check on the town's deductible.
- b. Pickleball Courts – Superintendent Hunter has been approached about additional pickleball courts from the community who would contribute to them. In the end, council approved up to \$20,000.00 for the courts.
- c. Dog Park – Superintendent Hunter updated the council on increase use of the dog park.
- d. Pool Foundation – Superintendent Hunter met with Ms. Henderson to discuss grant opportunities for the Pool Foundation. The subject of a park board came up again. Superintendent Hunter stated that he would like to wait until early fall to discuss that again.
- e. Horizon Bank – Superintendent Hunter relayed that employees from Horizon Bank assisted in planting flowers Tuesday.
- f. Open Marina – Superintendent Hunter said that the marina will open this weekend.
- g. Veterans Causeway – Superintendent Hunter reported that he was approached about a plaque for veteran Mike Drake.
- h. Kids Fishing Day – June 3, 2023 from 9:00-1:00 is kid's fishing day. Friends of the Park will have activities, hotdog, etc. Cicero Police and Fire will also be there.
- i. Superintendent Hunter will be on vacation next month.

**3. Plan – Plan Commissioner Zawadzki had nothing.**

4. Fire – Chief Overholser was not present; however, President Blueher asked Ms. Gary to add the EMS Fee Schedule to the first council meeting in June.
5. Police – Chief Rednour had nothing.
6. Water/Wastewater – Director Cooper had nothing; however, President Blueher relayed that he was approached by a resident about the issues on Stringtown Road. He stated that the new asphalt is crumbling in places, there are large drop-offs and the stripping looks bad in places. Director Cooper was not aware of these issues but will take a look at them and report back to the council.
7. Clerk Treasurer –
  - a. Audit – Ms. Gary said that although there is no scheduled date, an audit by the State Board of Accounts is coming soon.
  - b. Conference – Ms. Gary will be in Fort Wayne for conference June 25-29.
  - c. Olympics – Ms. Gary will be out of the office June 9<sup>th</sup> for Special Olympics with her son who is a swimmer.
  - d. Insurance – Ms. Gary has been approached by Appel Insurance to give a quote for the town’s insurance needs. The council didn’t object to getting a quote.
8. Project Coordinator – Mr. Strong stated that there is a meeting at town hall on 5/12/23 to discuss grant opportunities. Mr. McGoff, Mr. Clevenger and Ms. Henderson will be attending.

**Motion to Adjourn:** President Blueher adjourned the meeting.

**Signatures on Official Documents!**

***Signatures of Cicero Town Council***

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_____	Chad M. Blueher	_____
_____	Christopher J. Lutz	_____
_____	Jerry G. Cook	_____
_____	Joseph R. Cox	_____
_____	Eric C. Hayden	_____

**Attested**

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Rhonda Gary, Clerk Treasurer