



**TOWN OF CICERO
TOWN COUNCIL STAFF MEETING MINUTES
THURSDAY, APRIL 10, 2025 at 7:00 PM**

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

Present: Joseph Cox
Dennis Johnson
Eric Hayden
Christopher Lutz
Emily Pearson

Absent:

Others Present: Rhonda Gary, Clerk Treasurer

1. Town Council – Council was asked to be diligent in use of microphones.
2. Plan – Mr. Zawadzki introduced a new Planning Software System called Spatial Data Logic (SDL) to the council. After consideration and discussion concerning capabilities, cost and payment sources, which include a commitment from the Cicero Fire Department and Jackson Township, council agreed to allow Mr. Zawadzki to move forward with the purchase. Ms. Gary will add this to the 041525 Town Council Meeting Agenda.
3. Fire –
 - a. Chief Overholser asked council's blessing to use funds from their budget 'vehicle' line item to purchase equipment for the new fire truck. After a brief conversation, the council was ok with that. Chief Overholser will submit quotes not to exceed \$25,000.00 or \$30,000.00 once he receives them for council review.
 - b. Save the Dates (both events will be held at the Cicero Fire Station) –
5/03/25, 10:00 am Dedication of New Fire Truck
5/10/25, 7:00am - 11:00am Pancake Breakfast
4. Police –
 - a. Cruiser – Chief Rednour informed the council that his department has had another car accident. He would like to pay for it out of his budget instead of filing a claim. After discussion, the council agreed.
 - b. Crash Review Board – In light of recent events, Chief Rednour would like to assemble a Crash Review Board to address vehicle safety issues, procedures, etc. The council was good with that.
 - c. Parade Route – Chief Rednour stated that although the town has construction going on, Ms. Hayden would like to utilize Jackson Street for the parade route. Council stated that they have continuously communicated with Mr. Bryant the importance of construction being at a good stopping point during the July 4th festivities. Therefore, they didn't see a problem with the parade route.
5. Water/Wastewater – Director Cooper had nothing to present.
6. Clerk Treasurer – Ms. Gary reported that State Board of Accounts will begin audit procedures for the Town of Cicero covering the State & Local Fiscal Recovery Funds.
7. Project Coordinator –
 - a. Mr. Strong presented a handout as he has been working with Mr. Dunnichay concerning the concrete area in front of his business with the new construction.

Mr. Strong stated that there would be no additional cost to revise the area in question was his understanding, but it would make a big difference for Mr. Dunnichay to conduct business. After a brief discussion, the council agreed with Mr. Strong and trust his judgement and decision to work with Mr. Bryant and Mr. Cooper on this project.

- b. Mr. Strong stated that the Comprehensive Plan received a favorable recommendation from the Plan Commission. They plan to present it to the council at the 5/7/25 council meeting for approval or amendment.
- c. Mr. Strong inquired if the council is interested in further research in regard to potentially collecting Public Safety Impact Fees. Council agrees that they are in favor.
- d. Mr. Strong reminded the council that the next round of CCMG will open soon as well as the projects that were suggested/discussed. Council will follow up with a project for the next round.

8. Parks Dept –

- a. Mr. Johnson informed the council that they had to repair defective equipment at the marina which sparked a conversation concerning replacing the tank and/or pump at the marina. Superintendent Hunter submitted a quote for the replacement last August; however, the price has increased 15%. After discussion, the council asked Ms. Gary to check with Indiana Bond Bank as a payment option. The council also encouraged Superintendent Hunter to try to negotiate a better deal.
- b. Superintendent Hunter informed the council that he did not lock in gas prices for the marina this year due to too many unknown factors.

Motion to Adjourn: Mr. Johnson made the motion. Ms. Pearson seconded, motion carried 5-0.

Signatures of Cicero Town Council

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Attested:

Rhonda Gary, Clerk Treasurer