



**TOWN OF CICERO  
TOWN COUNCIL STAFF MEETING MINUTES  
THURSDAY, JUNE 12, 2025 at 7:00 PM**

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

**Present:** Joseph Cox  
Dennis Johnson  
Eric Hayden  
Emily Pearson

**Absent:** Christopher Lutz

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

**1. Town Council –**

- a. Reorganization – There was a brief discussion concerning reorganization and the potential need for a fiscal study. The cost is believed to be approximately \$30,000.00.
- b. Budget – Ms. Gary is working on the budget which was emailed to the council. She asked that the council review and be ready for discussion at the next staff meeting.
- c. Excess Levy Appeal – Ms. Gary and Mr. Johnson are working on an excess levy appeal.
- d. GO Bond – Ms. Gary stated that a GO Bond in the amount \$2.55 million seems to be on target with the number Baker Tilly believes the town could bond.
- e. CCMG – Mr. Strong believes that the next round of grants is on hold. He also gave a brief update of the progress on Jackson Street.
- f. Interlocal for Roads – President Cox asked Ms. Gary to add the Interlocal Agreement for Roads to the next council meeting agenda.
- g. Southern Annexation – Mr. Johnson inquired about a fiscal study for possible annexation south on State Road 19. Moving forward, Mr. Hayden believes that this should be Cicero's top priority. President Cox asked Ms. Gary to add this to the council meeting agenda.

**2. Plan –** Mr. Zawadzki had nothing to report. Mr. Strong stated that the Plan Commission meeting the previous evening for the Estridge Homes proposal will come to the town council with a non-recommendation at the July 15<sup>th</sup> town council meeting to be held at Red Bridge Community Building.

**3. Fire –** Chief Overholser was not present.

**4. Police –**

- a. Cameras – Chief Rednour would like to extend the Motorola contract for the police department cameras at the current cost. President Cox asked Ms. Gary to add this to the council meeting agenda.

- b. Additional Appropriation – Initially, Chief Rednour asked for an additional appropriation. After further investigation, he would like to pay for the police department’s phones from public safety LIT if possible. He will check with Mr. Culp and Chief Overholser.
  - c. Hiring Process – Chief Rednour stated that they’re on standby for another month or two as no one has been hired as of yet. They will the hiring process.
  - d. Electric Scooters – After a lengthy discussion, Chief Rednour stated that electric scooters have been banded from the Cicero Parks and signage has been placed there to reflect that.
5. Water/Wastewater –
- a. WWTP – Superintendent Cooper stated that Mr. Huber will attend the next council meeting to discuss usage of contingency funds. He also stated that they hope to start testing on the new WWTP in late August or early September.
6. Clerk Treasurer – Ms. Gary had nothing to report.
7. Project Coordinator – Mr. Strong – Mr. Strong had nothing to report.
8. Parks Dept –
- a. Street Festival Location – Earlier Superintendent Hunter reported that the annual street festival will be held at Cicero Community Park this year.
  - b. Military Benches – Superintendent Hunter touched on placement of the benches in the bump-outs on the pedestrian walkway.

**Motion to Adjourn:** Mr. Johnson made the motion. Ms. Pearson seconded, motion carried 4-0.

***Signatures of Cicero Town Council***

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_____	Joseph R Cox	_____
_____	Eric C Hayden	_____
_____	Christopher J Lutz	_____
_____	Dennis D Johnson	_____
_____	Emily K Pearson	_____

Attested: \_\_\_\_\_  
Rhonda Gary, Clerk Treasurer