



**TOWN OF CICERO
TOWN COUNCIL STAFF MEETING MINUTES
THURSDAY, JANUARY 15, 2026 at 7:00 PM**

Call to Order: President Cox called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM with all five members present.

Present: Joseph Cox
Jacob Everett
Dennis Johnson
Eric Hayden
Emily Pearson

Absent:

Others Present: Rhonda Gary, Clerk Treasurer

1. Town Council –
 - a. Boat Docks – Mr. Hayden inquired about the four additional boat docks on the east side as well as some additional docks on the west side of the lake. There was further discussion and council asked Superintendent Hunter to reach out to Morse Limited Partnership and have that discussion.
 - b. NRG Cleanup – Superintendent Hunter would like to get his department going on cleaning up the area. Council didn't have a problem with it.
 - c. IT Contract – Ms. Pearson asked that council approve the IT contract with Mr. Overholser. After a brief discussion, council was ok with it and asked Ms. Gary to add it to the next agenda.
2. Plan – Mr. Zawadzki informed the council that the fill in inspector has increased his rates. After a brief discussion, council was ok with that and asked Ms. Gary to add this to the next agenda.
3. Fire – EMS Billing Rates – Chief Frazier distributed a handout and presented new EMS billing rates. There was a brief discussion. Afterwards, President Cox asked Ms. Gary to add this to the next council meeting agenda.
4. Police – Chief Rednour asked council's blessing for an additional appropriation from the Opioid Unrestricted Fund to purchase new AEDs and other safety equipment for the police department. Council was ok with that. Ms. Gary will advertise the additional appropriation.
5. Water/Wastewater – Director Cooper informed the council that convex mirrors on the ends of Washington and Jackson Streets. would not rectify the problem. It was suggested to remove parking spots, council didn't seem in favor of that either. There was additional discussion about other intersections. President Cox suggested the possibility of electronic signs. They will continue to work on this.
6. Clerk Treasurer –

- a. Retreat – Ms. Gary inquired about a date for the retreat. After a brief discussion, council would like to incorporate the meetings with department heads prior to the council meetings in February. Ms. Gary will advertise once dates are confirmed.
 - b. RDC Meeting – Council will meet on 2/3/26 at 6:45. Ms. Gary will advertise.
7. Project Coordinator – Mr. Strong inquired about ideas, direction, feedback for 2027 CCMG as well as the time constraints in applying for and receiving the grant. Council’s consensus was that Pearl Street to the causeway would be the next logical step. They also asked Mr. Massonne for a list of potential firms that might be interested in reviewing aesthetics and designs as part of the project.
 8. Parks Dept – After a brief conversation, council agreed to move forward with a one-year contract with Ms. Shankland for grant opportunities. Ms. Gary inquired about payment. It was agreed that council contingency funds would be used.

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

Signatures of Cicero Town Council

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_____	Joseph R Cox	_____
_____	Jacob T Everett	_____
_____	Eric C Hayden	_____
_____	Dennis D Johnson	_____
_____	Emily K Pearson	_____

Attested: _____
Rhonda Gary, Clerk Treasurer