



**TOWN OF CICERO
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, JUNE 2, 2026 at 7:00 PM**

Call to Order: President Cox called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Ms. Gary gave the prayer. President Cox called for roll call. Members of the Cicero Town Council were present or absent as follows:

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

Declare a Quorum Present: President Cox declared a quorum with all members present.

Others Present: Rhonda Gary, Clerk Treasurer
Jeff Rednour, Police Chief
Chris Frazier, 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
Dan Strong, Project Coordinator

Approval of Agenda: Mr. Hayden made the motion to approve the agenda as amended. Ms. Pearson seconded, motion carried 3-0.

Approval of Prior Minutes:

- Town Council Executive Session Memorandum, May 14, 2026**
- Town Council Staff Meeting Minutes, May 14, 2026**
- Town Council Meeting Minutes, May 19, 2026, 7:00 PM**

Mr. Hayden made a motion to approve the minutes listed above. Ms. Pearson seconded, motion carried 3-0.

Approval of 6/2/26 Claims: Ms. Pearson made a motion to approve claims. Mr. Hayden seconded, motion carried 3-0.

Council Committee Reports:

1. EDC Report – There was nothing.
2. SWU Management Board Report – SWU President Freeman said that he had nothing new to report, but that the Morse Landing Drive project is coming along nicely.

Legal Counsel Report – Mr. Culp was not present.

Cicero/Jackson Township Plan Commission Report - Director's Report - May 2026

Permit Revenue: May 2026 = \$5,697 YTD: \$47,708

May 2025 = \$4,629 YTD: \$17,906
Difference: Month = +\$1,068 YTD: +\$29,802

We have issued a total of 34 building permits for May 2026.

Twenty-two permits were issued inside the corporate limits (0 new homes). Twelve were issued in Jackson Township (of which, 1 is for a new home). One permit for ROW/Extensions in total. Estimated cost of projects permitted \$1,408,535.00.

The Planning Commission meeting will be on June 10, 2026. The next BZA meeting is scheduled for June 21, 2026.

Town Engineer Report – Keith Bryant

1. Wastewater – Mr. Bryant reported that the Wastewater Treatment Plant is now fully operational at design capacity. The IDEM enforcement section has been notified. Reynolds continues with miscellaneous, touching up and restoration activities.
2. 2026 CCMG East Jackson Street – Mr. Bryant relayed that the construction on East Jackson Street has been delayed reportedly due to structure delays. The contractor, the Howard Company, now plans to start on 6/16/26, but should still be done on or before 7/1/26 as requested by the council as to not interfere with the July 4th festivities. If they are delayed they will prepare the area for the festivities.
3. Morse Landing Drive Underdrain Project – Mr. Bryant stated that the underdrain project is underway; however, there will probably be a Change Order coming to replace a broken inlet casting and possibly more paving restoration.
4. 2027 CCMG – Mr. Bryant asked the Council to review the options and project scope sent in April to be able to proceed with survey and design to comply with the INDOT grant timetable. Mr. Hayden asked Ms. Gary to add this to the next staff meeting agenda.

Old Business: Lateral Hire Policy – After a brief recap of the policy from Chief Rednour, Ms. Pearson made a motion to approve the Lateral Hire Policy. Mr. Hayden seconded, motion carried 3-0.

New Business:

- a. Resolution 06-02-2026-03 – After a brief explanation from President Cox, Mr. Hayden made a motion to approve the resolution. Ms. Pearson seconded, motion carried 3-0.
- b. E-Bike Ordinance – There was a lengthy discussion and a list of desired changes to the rough draft. Later, Mr. Hayden made a motion to table the ordinance. Ms. Pearson seconded, motion carried 3-0.

Miscellaneous:

- a. Fencing – Superintendent Hunter would like to remove and replace the old fence by the library on Britton Street. Superintendent has question concerning installing a new fence and plans to meet with IDEM on Friday for clarification. The Council consensus is to move forward. Superintendent Hunter came back later to inquire about the funds. Council was good with using EDC funds up to \$3,500.00. Superintendent Hunter will know more on Friday

- b. Fire Truck – Chief Frazier informed the council that he has a buyer for the old ladder truck. There was a brief conversation about receiving the funds. In the end, it was decided that the funds would go back to the general fund.
- c. Ambulance – Mr. Hayden inquired about the ambulance that should be ready in June. In the end, Mr. Hayden asked Ms. Gary to add this to the next staff meeting agenda for discussion.
- d. Dedication of Trail – Ms. Pearson stated that the trail dedication was very nice and thanked all those who made it happen. Ms. Sethi and her family were delighted.
- e. Kids Go Fishing – Ms. Pearson stated that Kids Go Fishing is happening on 6/6/26 from 9am-1pm. This is a family friendly event, with poles and bait provided, free lunch and giveaways. No fishing license is required.

Comments by Citizens: Ms. Unger thanked the council for their time, effort and hard work on the e-bike ordinance.

Motion to Adjourn: Mr. Hayden made the motion. Ms. Pearson seconded, motion carried 3-0.

Signatures on Official Documents!

Signatures of Cicero Town Council

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

Attested: _____
Rhonda Gary, Clerk Treasurer

The Next Cicero Town Council Meeting will be on June 16, 2026 at 7:00 PM at Cicero Town Hall.