# New Carlisle Town Council 124 E. Michigan Street, New Carlisle, Indiana General Meeting – June 8, 2010, 5:00 PM

President Higgins called the meeting to order with Vice President Colpitts, Council Member Mell, Council Member Groves, Council Member Gelow and Clerk-Treasurer Sue Moffitt present. Also in attendance were Andrea Halpin, Roger Nawrot, Pat Cummings, Ken Davis, Jill Doll, Candie Drake, Jason Quirk and Tony Rose.

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### **Minutes**

Council Member Groves moved to accept the minutes of the May 26, 2010 Special Meeting and the May 26, 2010 General Meeting as written. Motion seconded by Council Member Mell and passed unanimously.

#### **Employee Reports**

#### Ken Davis

- Reports he had a full-time employee resign last week and has posted the job opening inhouse.
- The new stretchers have been received and placed in service.

## Jason Quirk

• Will complete the work in Memorial Park tomorrow.

## Andrea Halpin

- Introduced Tony Rose, an associate at Leone Halpin for two years with prior experience in the prosecutor's office. Tony has been reviewing the Marshal's Department SOP and reports identifying 20 items that need further review.
- Has addressed several employee issues
- Spoke with Sue regarding several issues.
- Reports that Chuck is working with Mitch Heppenheimer of the Property Tax Board regarding the property on Zigler Street.

#### Roger Nawrot

- Continues work on the Sidewalk Improvement Project and will be field checking this week.
- The Income Survey required for the OCRA Grant will need to be published as a legal ad when complete.

#### Pat Cummings

• Thanked the TE Grant Consultant Selection Committee for their work on scoring the consultants. The results will be submitted to INDOT this week.

#### **Old Business**

• Discussion of Fireworks Regulations

Andrea prepared copies of the South Bend Fireworks Ordinance for Council review. She reports that there would need to be one change to be in compliance with state statute. South Bend chose to regulate everything allowable by State Statute but the Council may not want to be as strict.

Following discussion, Andrea was asked to draft a similar ordinance for the Town.

## **Council Reports**

#### Council Member Groves

- Thanked Jason and the town crew for all of the work at Memorial Park.
- Announced the opening of the 175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Exhibit at the Old Republic on Friday, June 11<sup>th</sup>.

#### **Vice President Colpitts**

- Reports that when Tom Baker was hired he began at a substantially lower salary than the previous marshal with the agreement of a \$2,000 salary increase after one year. As Tom has completed his first year, he feels that we need a salary ordinance to rectify this issue. A salary ordinance will be prepared for the June 22<sup>nd</sup> meeting.
- Asked if anyone has put any thought into the storm water ideas discussed at the last meeting.

President Higgins stated that she is opposed to anything over \$1.00 per month at this time. She does feel that we need to look closely at this issue.

Vice President Colpitts feels that we need to establish this as a beginning by creating a sub-department in Sanitary Sewer.

Council Member Groves suggested a committee be established to bring information to the Council regarding future repair costs, etc.

Vice President Colpitts stated that the issue of a Town sewer plant has not been looked at thoroughly.

• Inquired of a time estimate for sealing of the Memorial Park walkway.

Pat stated that this will be completed possibly by the end of the week depending on weather.

**President Higgins** 

• Several holes on Bray Street near the library that need patching

Council Member Gelow

• Inquired about a Town hydrant flushing program.

Pat stated this is done once a year but will check with Augie for details.

• Asked if there is a problem with the radar as he hasn't seen it out for some time.

Vice President Colpitts will look into this.

## Bills to be Paid

Council Member Mell moved to pay all bills as presented. Motion seconded by Council Member Groves and passed unanimously.

# Adjournment

Council Member Mell moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Council Member Groves and the meeting was adjourned at 5:40 PM.

	Carolyn Higgins, Council President
Attest:	
Susan I. Moffitt, Clerk-Treasurer	