

New Carlisle Town Council
124 E. Michigan Street, New Carlisle, Indiana
General Meeting, June 25, 2013

President Colpitts called the meeting to order with Vice President Higgins, Council Member Gelow, Council Member Vojtko, Council Member Carter and Clerk-Treasurer Sue Moffitt present. Also in attendance were Andrea Halpin, Pat Cummings, Jill Doll, Mike McClaran, Cal Dittmar, Josh Schweizer, Jamie Middlebrook, Matt O'Donnell, Jeff Roseboom, Brian Countryman, Bill Gumm, Chris Antonucci, Mike VanLue, Mary Countryman, Bob Middlebrook, Carol Middlebrook, Mike Shilts, Jason Quirk and Henry Timm.

Minutes

Vice President Higgins moved to accept the minutes of the June 11, 2013 Public Hearing and General Meeting as written. Seconded by Council Member Carter the motion passed unanimously.

Employee Reports

Andrea Halpin

They have been handling several Public Records Requests per Town policy. Work on the Park Ordinance has been completed.

Vice President Higgins inquired about any fee the Town may charge for handling these requests. Andrea responded that the only fee charged is for copies at 10 cents each. No matter the amount of time involved to locate and prepare the requested information no additional fee may be charged. All Public Records Requests are forwarded to Andrea who reviews each type of request. Some are absolutely entirely disclosable but others must be reviewed to determine the disclosable and non-disclosable information included in them. Certain records are protected under HIPAA or by federal law.

Pat Cummings

Pat requested a short work session or committee to discuss some issues with the TE Project including needing input on crosswalk material/pattern as well as wayfinder signs. Although they will probably use the same type of poles as the decorative lighting they will need to determine sign location.

Council Member Vojtko and Pat will meet with a small committee to review the crosswalks and wayfinder sign placement. President Colpitts advised that Discover New Carlisle has a design committee that might be of great assistance to them and Henry Timm reports that this committee has already determined some areas that would be good for the signs.

Pat reports that work on the TE Project has begun. Everything has been handled very well so far with little disruption and much cooperation from everyone effected. Pat will check on road construction signs that were to be placed at the bypass.

OLD BUSINESS

Ambulance Service Agreement

Council Member Gelow moved to table the Ambulance Service Agreement for review and recommendation by the attorneys. Seconded by Council Member Vojtko the motion passed unanimously.

Ordinances and Resolutions

- **Ordinance #1274** – An Ordinance Amending Ordinance #1137 regulating alcoholic beverages in town parks

President Colpitts read Ordinance #1274 by caption only for the third and final reading.

Council Member Gelow moved to adopt Ordinance #1274. Seconded by Council Member Vojtko, the motion passed unanimously.

Council Reports

Council Member Carter

Council Member Carter announced that on July 6th at 10:00 AM there will be a dedication of the new Veteran's Memorial at Memorial Park. The American Legion will be there with the Color Guard and Chaplain and the public is encouraged to attend.

Taste of New Carlisle is this Saturday, June 28th from 1-5.

Vice President Higgins

Because of the inclement weather this morning the summer parks program was moved to the Lion's Club whose members have graciously allowed use of the building for such days.

Because of many misperceptions and much concern about what is allowable in the cemetery, the Cemetery Board is working on clarification of what can and cannot be placed on gravesites. They are giving much thought to this issue and respectfully considering the grieving. It has been decided to hold two annual clean-up days that will be posted in the paper.

Council Member Vojtko

The Library Board has revised the children's policy for attendance and will now allow children 8 and above to be in attendance without the supervision of an adult with those under 8 requiring an adult present with them. He reports that the staff is on board and the kids realize that they must tow the line. When school resumes they will see if this new policy will work. Vice President Higgins expressed her concern that the liability is huge and although kids cannot be turned away they can certainly assure that they are supervised.

President Colpitts

He recently attended Area Plan with nothing pertaining to New Carlisle to report although NC was mentioned in reference to text amendments. Area Plan is considering using the Town's text amendment for the business on Michigan Street for allowing specific combined uses in certain zoning classification as a model for other areas of the county.

Clerk-Treasurer's Report

Sue reminded the Council of the Public Hearing for Additional Appropriations at 5:00 PM prior to the July 9th meeting.

It was decided that the Council will hold a Work Session following the July 9th meeting.

Bills to be Paid

Council Member Gelow moved to pay all bills as presented. The motion was seconded by Vice President Higgins and passed unanimously.

Adjournment

Upon a motion by Council Member Vojtko and second by Vice President Higgins the meeting was adjourned at 5:22 PM.

Ronald Colpitts, Council President

Attest:

Susan I. Moffitt, Clerk-Treasurer