

New Carlisle Town Council
124 E. Michigan Street, New Carlisle, Indiana
General Meeting, April 8, 2014

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance

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 Pat Cummings, Chuck Leone, Bonnie Carter, Mary Ann Swope, John Mrozinski, Tim Kaminski, Jamie Middlebrook, Mike McClaran, Jill Doll, Carol Middlebrook, Dave Doll, Bob Middlebrook, John Alvey and Jeff Roseboom.

Minutes

Council Member Gelow moved to accept the minutes of the March 25, 2014 General Meeting Minutes as written. The motion was seconded by Council Member Carter and passed 4-0. President Colpitts abstained.

Employee Reports

Attorney Chuck Leone

They are currently reviewing the Airgas Compliance with Statement of Benefits Form.

They continue preparation of the requested snow removal ordinance.

Review and changes to the Lime Sludge Contract are complete and it is ready for Council approval this evening.

Public Works Director Pat Cummings

Pat reports that because the Council has asked that drainage issues on several streets and in the municipal parking lot be addressed there may be some delay in the sidewalk and street projects as both are in areas where there are drainage issues. He also may decide to stop the sidewalk project at Bray and Ada because of the drainage issues instead of continuing on to Ben Street. One of the main issues on Ben Street is the drainage issue causing the degradation of the street.

President Colpitts asked about repairing approaches on the side streets as they meet Michigan Street. John Mrozinski reports that they have put down approximately 8 tons of patch so far this year and 2/3 of it went into the potholes that are in highway right-of-way which are technically INDOT responsibility.

There was discussion on options for addressing this issue and Vice President Higgins questioned setting precedence. Chuck responded that it depends on how INDOT would decide to handle this and feels that having a higher level talk with the commissioner of the district might be a good place to start.

Following further discussion it was decided that Pat will speak with INDOT to see what options might be available including asking if contracting with the Town to make the repairs is a possibility.

Pat reports that they began street sweeping this week.

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New Business

- Lime Sludge Contract

Attorney Chuck Leone reviewed and made changes to the existing contract. He has updated the section referring to the Indiana Admin Code that deals with the way that various products must be handled as well as a few other minor references.

Council Member Carter moved to accept the Lime Sludge Contract for 2014. The motion was seconded by Vice President Higgins. Council Member Vojtko questioned if there has been any other interest. Tim reports that there has been a request for a load or two from individuals and this contract will allow that.

The motion passed unanimously.

- Amendment to Cost Based Formula Rate Agreement for Full Requirements Electric Service with AEP

Pat explained that our contract through the IMMADA Group (a consortium for purchasing electric through negotiation as a group). The consortium also has attorneys and expert power people that draft these contracts and negotiate on our behalf as purchasers of approximately 2 percent of power that is purchased.

This contract amendment changes the length of term for the contract.

Chuck will review and this will be addressed following Council Reports.

Council Reports

Council Member Gelow

Reports that the guys are doing a nice job cleaning up town and that the parks and gutters look good.

Council Member Vojtko

Council Member Vojtko reports that Area Plan Director John Byorni is retiring at the end of next month.

The Council will send a card to John who has been a very valuable resource to our Town.

Council Member Vojtko introduced new New Carlisle Olive Township Library manager, Lisa Felix.

Council Member Vojtko inquired about including a lawn tractor that belongs to the library in the auction planned by the Town. It would be advertised and handled completely separately. Combining items from various entities is done at times and this will be looked into further.

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Council Member Carter

Council Member Carter reports that this year's Taste of New Carlisle will be held on June 28th from 1-6 PM.

Vice President Higgins

Reports that she is very grateful that pick-up of bagged yard waste has already begun.

President Colpitts

President Colpitts recognized Public Works Director Pat Cummings for his 25 years of service to the Town.

The Council will hold a work session immediately following the April 22nd General Meeting.

Bills to be Paid

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

Continuation of New Business

Following review, Attorney Chuck Leone reports that the contract changes are technical and do not change the substance of the agreement.

Council Member Gelow moved to accept the Amendment to Cost Based Formula Rate Agreement for Full Requirements Electric Service with AEP as presented. The motion was seconded by Council Member Vojtko and passed unanimously.

Adjournment

Upon a motion by Council Member Vojtko and second by Council Member Carter the meeting was adjourned at 5:32 PM.

Ronald Colpitts, Council President

Attest:

Susan I. Moffitt, Clerk-Treasurer