New Carlisle Town Council 124 E. Michigan Street, New Carlisle, Indiana <u>Work Session, June 9, 2025, 5:30PM</u>

President Marcy Kauffman called the meeting to order with Council Members Nancy Pemberton, Jerry Colanese and Alison Abbott, Public Works Director John Mrozinski, Police Chief Brian Cook, Town Attorney Andrea Halpin, Special Projects Assistant Susan Moffitt, Public Works Assistant Carl Brown-Grimm and Deputy Clerk Yvonne Hoffmaster present.

Absent: Council Member William Short

Work Session to discuss General Topics

There was a discussion on three memos/policies:

No personal property stored on Town property – this will become a policy Cell phone policy update regarding social media Professional conduct and communication memo – addressing gossip, hearsay and inuendo

There was a discussion on the water rates presentation given by Baker Tilly at the June 3 council meeting. The different alternatives were discussed. It was agreed that a letter will be sent to the rate payers explaining the increase.

There was a discussion on §152.087(E)(3) *Parking, storing, maintaining, or keeping of any recreational vehicle or recreational trailer in any Residential District. Notwithstanding any provision in this chapter to the contrary, no recreational vehicle or recreational trailer shall be parked, stored, maintained, or kept on any property in any Residential District unless in compliance with the following...Parked or stored recreational vehicles shall not be occupied or used for living, sleeping, or housekeeping purposes in any residential district.* There were two matters regarding this zoning violation. A lengthy discussion pursued on both matters, and the consensus was that the code will be enforced.

Jerry Colanese started a discussion regarding the tanker truck, of which the town owns 50%, that was sold by the Fire Territory. Josh Schwiezer, the Fire Chief of the NCFD, has requested that the town's share be donated back to the Fire Department. This amount was approximately \$35,000. Chief Schwiezer stated the funds would be used for specific projects. It was recommended that the Town request the funds returned and have the Fire Department present a plan/project for the use of the funds.

Public Works Director, John Mrozinski, brought up a few issues throughout the Town.

- 1. Will be speaking with Mr. Vanek about securing his property at the former Zahl's location. Bob will check if there is a demolition permit for this property. Mr. Vanek will be given a date to have the property secured by and if not secured by then, the Town will secure the property and invoice Mr. Vanek for the cost. Mr. Mrozinski and the Town crew will be meeting at the property on Wednesday, June 11.
- 2. There was a discussion about securing a Town lot at 125 Zigler Street. It was asked if the Town would want to sell this lot. There is a lot to the west of this property. It has been determined the Town will no longer maintain this lot. The property owner will be fined for ordinance violations on maintenance of this lot. A discussion ensued regarding putting cameras and signs on the lot to discourage dumping on this lot.
- 3. There was a brief discussion on the private hydrant balance on Joe's Grocery.
- 4. Mr. Mrozinski has requested that Chief Cook be included on all Town meetings in the future.

Vice President Colanese complimented everyone on working together to accomplish the various tasks. It was questioned who is mowing at 417 W. Michigan Street.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:07PM.

Marcy Kauffman, Council President

Attest:

Julie Brown, Clerk-Treasurer