New Carlisle Town Council 124 E. Michigan Street, New Carlisle, Indiana General Meeting, October 7, 2025, 6:30 PM

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance

President Marcy Kauffman called the meeting to order with, Vice-President Jerry Colanese, Council Member Nancy Pemberton, Council Member Alison Abbott, Public Works Director John Mrozinski, Town Engineer Jared Huss, Special Projects Assistant Susan Moffitt, Attorney Andrea Halpin, Deputy Clerk Yvonne Hoffmaster, and Asst. PWD Carl Brown-Grimm were present.

Also in attendance: Code Enforcer Bob Middlebrook, Carol Middlebrook, Josh Schweizer (NCFD), Chad Hess (NCFD), Tim Creason, Dan Caruso and Will Miller.

Absent: Council Member Will Short and Marshal Brian Cook

Approval of Minutes

Council Member Abbott moved to approve the minutes of the following: September 16, 2025, General Meeting Minutes, as written. The motion was seconded to accept the minutes as written by Council Member Pemberton. Motion carried 4-0.

Visitor Comments

- Tim Creason gave the Council an update on the Front Street Park. It was requested to put up a dog
 sign w/waste bags since residents have been walking their dogs in the park. There has been trouble
 with kids skateboarding, etc. in the park. Signs have been ordered and delivered and the MVH crew
 should have them up soon.
- Dan Caruso spoke about signs that are available at Historic New Carlisle that read "No Data Center".
 They are free and ask that as many people as possible come and pick one up for their yard. Dan also presented documents for the Council's review regarding the proposed data center.

Employee Reports

- Carl Brown-Grimm
 - -None
- Code Enforcement Bob Middlebrook
 - -None
- · Attorney Andrea Halpin
 - -None

Engineer Jared Huss

- -Wrapping up the 2025 CCMG project. There are a few items to finish and then he will reach out to PWD Mrozinski and Council Liaison Pemberton to do a walk through for the final inspection. He and John are already working on the 2026 CCMG and vetting out what those projects might be.
- -Getting close to finalizing the GM water service agreement.
- -Have an October 27th meeting with the core group on the SJEC rates and will report to the Council on that meeting at the council meeting following.
- -Metering station is getting close to being completed, which meets all of our timelines.

Public Works Director John Mrozinski

- -Woodruffs finished all the services on Marvel Lane.
- -New pickleball courts are finished as of September 24^{th} and have already had quite a bit of action on them
- -Auction date is Wednesday, October 22nd @ 1p, at the Cliff's water plant.
- -Will start tomorrow, weather permitting, water services and a new water main in the alley behind the brewery.

Old Business

Fire Territory Budget Approval

-A motion was made by VP Colanese to approve the FT 2026 budget. The motion was seconded by Council Member Pemberton. Motion carried 4-0.

New Business

• Fire Territory Max Levy Appeal

-NCFD Chief Schweizer spoke at the podium about the Fire Territory max levy appeal. Their dropdead date to appeal is October 21st. The Council has tabled the appeal until they can discuss it further.

• Appointing Appraisers

-A motion was made by VP Colanese to accept the proposal to appoint appraisers. The motion was seconded by Council Member Abbott. Motion carried 4-0.

Donohue Agreement

- -Engineer Huss explained the agreement is to provide the telemetry panel to be installed at the new Sanitary Metering Station.
- -A motion was made by Council Member Pemberton to accept the agreement and was seconded by VP Colanese. Motion carried 4-0.

Ordinances and Resolutions

• Resolution #25-10-07-01: Surplus Property

- -PWD Mrozinski explained that the Town has a list of things that are not in use anymore so there will be an Auction on October 22nd @ 1pm at the Cliff's Water Treatment Plant. Exhibit A lists all the items
- -A motion was made by VP Colanese to approve the Resolution. Council Member Pemberton seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

• Ordinance #1497: Additional Appropriations

- -President Kauffman opened the Public Hearing.
- -President Kauffman read the Ordinance in full. She asked for any comments/questions. None came forth.
- -President Kauffman closed the Public Hearing. A motion was made to waive the rules for the 3rd/final reading and adopt the Ordinance by Council Member Abbott. It was seconded by VP Colanese.
- -President Kauffman read the Ordinance by Title Only for the 3rd/final read.
- -A motion was made by Council Member Abbott to adopt the Ordinance and was seconded by VP Colanese. Motion carried 4-0.

• Ordinance #1498: 2026 Budget

- -President Kauffman opened the Public Hearing.
- -President Kauffman read the first paragraph of the 2026 Budget for the second reading. She asked for any comments/questions. None came forth.
- -President Kauffman closed the Public Hearing.

-Council Reports

• Council Member Pemberton

- -Cemetery board has done a lot of talking about what to do with the new cemetery. One idea is columbarium and explained what that entails.
- -She also commended the NCPD for assisting with a lost child in a cornfield. Also, the NCPD (Joy Phillips and Ryan Cole) assisted a State Trooper in a pursuit and with a suspect in which they recovered several drugs.

• Council Member Short

-Absent

Council Member Colanese

- -Sounds like utilities are all good.
- -Will have to figure out the levy issue with the Fire Territory but everything going well.

• Council Member Abbott

-She thanked Deputy Clerk Hoffmaster for allowing her to join her in the zoom meeting that presented the demo for the proposed software for the Clerk's office and she appreciated that Yvonne took the time to explain to her what was being discussed.

• President Kauffman

-She thanked Marshal Cook for all his hard work and assisting the Clerk's office with the remodeling project. She also thanked John and the Crew for the hard work on the pickleball courts.

Clerk-Treasurer Report

-Thanked Marshal Cook for his assistance on the Clerk's project.

Bills to be Paid

A motion to pay all bills as presented on the Claim Docket and the Payroll Allowance Docket was made by Council Member Pemberton and seconded by VP Colanese. Motion carried 4-0.

Adjournment

Upon a motion by Council Member Abbott and second by Council Member Pemberton, the meeting adjourned at 7:02 PM.

Attest:

Julie Brown, Clerk-Treasure