

New Carlisle Town Council
124 E. Michigan Street, New Carlisle, Indiana
General Meeting, February 19, 2019, 5:00 PM

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Council Member Carter called the meeting to order with Vice President Vermillion, Council Member Budreau, Council Member Kauffman, Council Member Rush and Clerk-Treasurer Susan Moffitt present.

Also in attendance were Andrea Halpin, Jared Huss, John Mrozinski, Jill Doll, Dan Caruso, Bob Middlebrook and Carol Middlebrook. Kiel Stone entered the meeting later.

President Carter explained that the meeting time this evening is earlier due to the 7 PM Fire Territory Public Hearing.

Minutes

Council Member Budreau moved to approve the minutes of the February 5, 2019 General Meeting and written. The motion was seconded by Vice President Vermillion and passed unanimously.

Employee Reports

- Attorney Andrea Halpin

Andrea reported that she has been working primarily on the fire territory, including the agreements and ordinance.

- Engineer Jared Huss

John and Jared will hold a meeting tomorrow at 6 PM for residents of homes potentially impacted by the proposed street and sidewalk projects. He and John will also be meeting with Donohue tomorrow.

Jared reported that they have received a couple of calls regarding the wastewater planning grant RFT that is out.

- Public Works Director John Mrozinski

John reported that he is waiting for the Bray Street appraisals and expects them in the next few days.

John has notified both contractors regarding demolition of the Front and Zigler Street houses. They will wait until the frost is out of the ground to do the work.

New Business

- Outstanding Checks

The Clerk-Treasurer presented a listing of checks, outstanding for two or more years, to be declared void and removed from our books. The outstanding checks total \$473.26.

Vice President Vermillion moved to void the outstanding checks presented that are at least two years old and that they be taken off the books and deposited back into the funds from which they were drafted. The motion was seconded by Council Member Kauffman and passed unanimously.

Council Reports

President Carter reports that we have received a bill for \$477.36 from Olive Township for legal fees related to the fire territory.

Council Member Budreau questioned why this was not brought up at one of the territory meetings as opposed to Olive Township sending the bill to the Town. Vice President Vermillion stated that he is not opposed to paying but we should have had some conversation. This was tabled for discussion with the Olive Township Trustee.

Council Member Budreau stated that there seems to be a lack of communication between Council Members with scheduling times for everyone to meet for the fire territory work sessions. He stated that he has a 9-5 job and it is pretty much impossible to get here at 10 in the morning. It appears that there is a lack of transparency since these are set up with no discussion. He feels it exhibits a lack of professionalism to do this and it is an issue with the Council at this point in time.

Andrea stated that she had a conversation with the attorney who is preparing the territory agreement and it has a hard deadline of March 11th so, because of the timing, she suggested that we hold an additional meeting in order to give him time to make changes. Council Member Budreau stated that he never even received a courtesy call. Andrea stated that his name did come up during the work session and he was texted. Council Member Budreau stated that he was not able to attend at 10 am or 5 pm on that day with the short notice.

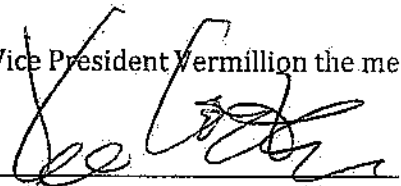
Vice President Vermillion asked if we still have the tank from Praxair that they continue to bill us for. Andrea stated that she believes it was a balloon filler tank but does not know if it was returned. President Carter stated that Josh Schweizer reported to him that a compromise was offered and includes the Town paying the balance and then Praxair will write off the balloon filler and cylinder. The total due is \$2384.92. This was tabled for discussion with Josh.

Bills to be Paid

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

Adjournment

Upon a motion by Council Member Budreau and second by Vice President Vermillion the meeting was adjourned at 5:17 PM.



Ken Carter, President

Attest:



Susan I. Moffitt, Clerk-Treasurer