

Danville Town Council Meeting Minutes

December 4 2017

- I. **Call to Order**: Council President, Marcia Lynch, called the meeting of the Danville Town Council to order at 7.00 pm on December 4, 2017 in the Danville Town Hall, 49 N. Wayne Street.
- II. **Roll Call**: President, Marcia Lynch acknowledged a quorum of the Council and led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag. Clerk-Treasurer noted the following Council members in attendance: Jim Stephens, Marcia Lynch, Dennis Wynn, Mike Neilson and Tom Pado. The following Administrative officials were present: Laura Parker; Assistant Town Manager, and Jenny Percy; Clerk Treasurer. Gary Eakin; Town Manager was absent.
- III. **Approval of Minutes**: Motion was made by Jim Stephens to approve the minutes as read seconded by Dennis Wynn for the Town Council meeting of November 20, 2017. Motion passed 5-0.

IV. Public Meeting:

- a) **Request for Alley Closure** – Marlene Riegel owns a business and lives at 38 N Washington St; she is concerned about the damage done to her building and Rader’s Fabrics, from large box, semi trucks that try to squeeze through the narrow East/West alley. She is asking the council to consider closing the alley for foot traffic only. PW, Fire and Police do not have a problem with the closure. Motion was made by Jim Stephens to temporary close the alley; seconded by Mike Neilson. Motion passed 5-0. An ordinance will presented at the December 18th meeting to close the alley permanently.
- b) **Progress on Roundabout** - Juli Petree reported that the roundabout is now open the final inspection date is Dec 8th; but they are 50 days passed their completion date.
- c) **Request to Change Probationary Patrol Officer Salary** - Police Chief Raney is asking the council to change the probationary patrol officer’s salary to be more competitive to attract new recruits. Chief Raney is requesting to start new officers at our current patrolmen’s salary, at the same amount as if they have had one year of service. Danville’s newly hire patrol officers without ILEA are the lowest paid in the county at \$37,466.00. Motion was made by Tom Pado to start a probationary patrolmen at the 2018 patrolmen’s salary ; seconded by Jim Stephens. Motion passed 5-0.
- d) **School Resource Officer Contract** – Jenny Percy reported to the council that the DCSC is happy with the SRO Matt Oliphant performance. The school renewed their contract for 2018. Danville Community Schools have agreed to pay 50% of the salary and benefits for the SRO. Motion was made by Jim Stephens to approve the 2018 School Resource Officer’s contract; seconded by Tom Pado. Motion passed 5-0.
- e) **Center Township Fire Contract** – Jenny Percy spoke on behalf of the Center Trustee Judy White. The 2018 Center Township contract is the same as in previous years except for a few adjustments for new vehicles and the anticipated 2018 salary contribution. The contract was approved by the Center Township attorney and the town’s attorney. Motion was made by Dennis Wynn to approve the 2018 Center Township Contract; seconded Jim Stephens. Motion passed 5-0.
- f) **Marion Township Fire Contract** – Fire Chief Morgan informed the council that the 2018 contract for Marion Township will stay the same as the 2017 contract. Marion Township pays a little over \$14,000.00 a year and the township helps with any needs of the fire department if asked. Motion was made by Mike Neilson to approve the 2018 Marion Township contact; seconded by Dennis Wynn. Motion passed 5-0.

V. Public Comments – No Comments

VI. Staff Comments

Laura Parker – Gary is recouping in rehab for the next couple of weeks. Laura would like to know if we could change the Holiday party to December 21st from December 14 if needed so he can attend. The council consented to change the date.

The Strategic Steering Plan Committee has pushed back the deadline for the public survey on the town’s website till Dec 8th; executive session was canceled and has been rescheduled for Dec 11th.

The county gave the town a mini bison in return for the life size bison on the square for the Indiana Bicentennial.

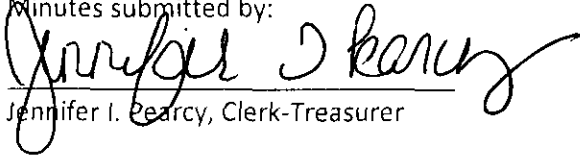
Fire Chief Morgan - stated that the fire department would go and pick Gary up from rehab so he would not miss the town party.

Mike Neilson – Hoping Gary will be feeling better and we will move the Holiday party to 21st if needed.

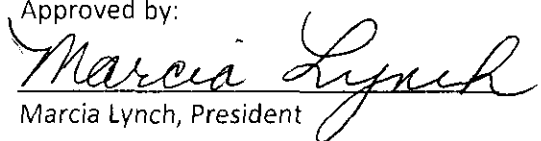
Dennis Wynn – Feels that SRO job description should stay with the school calendar. No time off for vacations, etc. *unless the school is out for breaks and summer vacations.*

- VII. **Claim Docket** – Mike Neilson made the motion to approve the claim docket, seconded by Jim Stephens. Motion carried 5-0.
- VIII. **Adjourn** – President Marcia Lynch adjourned the meeting at approximately 7:25 p.m.

Minutes submitted by:


Jennifer I. Pearcy, Clerk-Treasurer

Approved by:


Marcia Lynch, President