

Danville Town Council Meeting Minutes

April 16, 2018

- I. **Call to Order:** Council President Mike Neilson called the meeting of the Danville Town Council to order at 7:00 pm on April 16, 2018 in the Danville Town Hall, 49 N. Wayne Street.
- II. **Roll Call:** President Mike Neilson 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: Mike Neilson, Marcia Lynch, Tom Pado and Dennis Wynn. The following Administrative officials were present: Gary Eakin, Town Manager; Laura Parker, Assistant Town Manager; and Jenny Percy, Clerk Treasurer. Councilman Jim Stephens was absent.
- III. A motion was made by Marcia Lynch to approve the Executive Session, Work Study, and Council Meeting Minutes of April 2, 2018. It was seconded by Tom Pado. Motion passed 4-0.

IV. Public Meeting:

- a) **Executive Session** – Council decision regarding review of a grievance. Council member Marcia Lynch motioned to table the decision for two weeks. Seconded by Tom Pado. Council President Mike Neilson stated that he would not like to extend it. He took a roll call vote on the motion: Marcia Lynch – Yes. Tom Pado – Yes. Dennis Wynn – No. Mike Neilson – No. President Neilson stated that since the vote was tied, the Clerk-Treasurer may vote to break the tie. Jenny Percy voted No. Motion to table the decision failed 2-3.
President Neilson motioned to uphold the Fire Chief's determination regarding the grievance. It was seconded by Dennis Wynn. The roll call vote was taken: Tom Pado – No. Marcia Lynch – No. Dennis Wynn – Yes. Mike Neilson – Yes. Clerk-Treasurer Jenny Percy – Yes. Motion passed 3-2.
- b) **Introduction of New Recruit Class** – Fire Chief Mark Morgan introduced the members of the new recruit class: Nikki Finney, Dakota Bain, MJ Fairfield, Tyler Lawrence, and Charles Cripe.
- c) **Proclamation for Chris Goins** – Council member Wynn read a proclamation commemorating the life and deeds of Chris Goins. A motion was made by Tom Pado to approve the proclamation. Seconded by Dennis Wynn. Motion passed 4-0. Dennis Wynn called the family forward and presented them with the proclamation.
- d) **Proclamation for Arbor Day** – Council President Mike Neilson read the proclamation declaring April 27, 2018 as Arbor Day in Danville. A motion was made by Marcia Lynch to approve the proclamation. Seconded by Tom Pado. Motion passed 4-0.
- e) **Request for Street Closure for Indianapolis Colts Fan Feast** – Shelby Marshall, Event Coordinator for the Danville Chamber of Commerce, appeared before the Council and requested the closure of Jefferson and Marion Streets around the Town Square on Thursday, June 7th for the Indianapolis Colts Fan Fest. The closure will be from 8am to 8pm for set-up. The actual event will take place from 5-7pm. This is a free event to the public hosted by the Colts. A motion was made by Dennis Wynn to approve the street closure. Seconded by Tom Pado. Motion passed 3-0. Marcia Lynch recused herself from the vote.
- f) **Capital Expenditure Request for Wastewater Asset Management** – Wastewater Superintendent Jerry Crisp asked the Council to approve his request for \$58,860 for enhanced GIS mapping of the sanitary sewer system. Mark Butler with Banning Engineering explained the project in detail and responded to Council questions. A motion was made by Tom Pado to approve the capital expenditure request. Seconded by Marcia Lynch. Motion passed 4-0.

V. Department Reports

- A. **Water** – Superintendent Jim Russell reported on maintenance work completed by the department. He also indicated the fountain is up and running on the square and they flushed hydrants last week. It was also noted that this was the last day customers could sign up for the sprinkler rate.
- B. **Planning** – Laura Parker updated the Council on planning and development activities around Town. She also stated that the RDC held their first meeting where they received training on roles and responsibilities and discussed specific action items in the Strategic Plan. The RDC agreed to meet on the 2nd Thursday of each month. She thanked the Council for approving the Arbor Day proclamation.

- C. **Fire**- Chief Morgan reported on the need to replace all the AEDs at Town Hall and the park facilities. He also reported the Department Heads' next quarterly project *will be collecting contributions for the Backpack for Kids program*. He also stated that he was sorry the Council had to be involved in reviewing a grievance from his department.
- D. **Wastewater** – Superintendent Jerry Crisp reported on a snow plow that was damaged during a recent snow event and one of the wastewater trucks was slightly damaged when a tree fell on it. He also said sanitary sewer pipe on High Street was exposed due to the recent flooding. They did a temporary fix because in the future the line may be replaced.
- E. **Stormwater** – Superintendent Barry Lofton reviewed areas of concern where stormwater is believed to be going into the sanitary main. He also indicated they will be replacing 26 stormwater catch basin structures on the north side of town from N Wayne Street to Cross Street *over the next month. This is being done in advance of the paving crews*. He is working on cutting utility costs at Town Hall by cutting back to one boiler tank instead of four.
- F. **Park**- Superintendent Will Lacey reported that the new online software called RecDesk went live on April 1st. This allows the public to do facility rentals online as well as register for programs and pay for memberships. The National Honor Society students' workday in the park is April 18th. He is also continuing to work on the amphitheater project and the park staff is starting to prep for the pool season.
- G. **Public Works**- Superintendent Ray Whitaker reported that his crew is out fixing yards that had been damaged during plowing, they are doing some housecleaning at the garage, and they attended a work zone safety training. He also is assisting Barry with catch basin repairs *and they are working on the list of sidewalk repairs*.
- H. **Police**- Chief Raney distributed his stat sheets and reported that there were 855 runs for March. He also stated the Police Commission approved the hiring of two new recruits: Thomas Riggs and Travis Wilson.

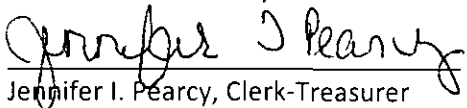
VI. **Public Comment** – No Comments.

Gary Eakin informed the Council that there are still two vacancies at the Public Works Department. They have been conducting interviews and hope to have them filled in the next two weeks.

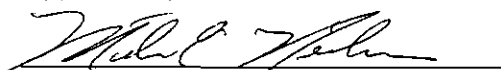
VII. **Claim Docket** – Dennis Wynn motioned to approve the claim docket. Seconded by Tom Pado. Motion passed 4-0.

VIII. **Adjourn** – President Mike Neilson adjourned the meeting at approximately 8:05 p.m.

Minutes submitted by:


Jennifer I. Pearcy, Clerk-Treasurer

Approved by:


Mike Neilson, President