

Danville Town Council Meeting Minutes

July 2, 2018

- I. **Call to Order:** Council President Mike Neilson called the meeting of the Danville Town Council to order at 7:00 PM on July 2, 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. Council President Mike Neilson noted the following Council members in attendance: Jim Stephens, Tom Pado, Marcia Lynch and Dennis Wynn. The following Administrative officials were present: Laura Parker, Assistant Town Manager and Jenny Percy, Clerk Treasurer.
- III. **Approval of Minutes:** Motion was made by Dennis Wynn to approve the minutes as read for the Town Council meeting on June 18, 2018, Executive Session on June, 18, 2018 and the Budget Work Study on June 25, 2018. Seconded by Jim Stephens. Motion passed 5-0.
- IV. **Public Meeting:**
 - A. **Parking Space Closure Request** – MeChelle Callen is having a private event at the Royal Theater on July 11th and will have a beer vendor there that needs to set up in front of the theater. MeChelle is requesting to use two parking spots from 6 to 10 PM. Police, Fire, and Public Works Administrators have no problems with the closure. The council suggested using 3 parking spaces for good measure. Motion was made by Marcia Lynch and seconded by Tom Pado. Motion passed 5-0.
 - B. **Street Closure Request** – Caitlin Russo owner of the Blended Juice & Smoothie Bar at 57 S. Washington Street is requesting to close Washington Street between Marion and Main for a fitness event in front of her store on September 5th from 5 to 7 PM. Police, Fire, and Public Works Administrators have no problems with this closure. Motion was made by Marcia Lynch and seconded by Tom Pado. Motion passed 5-0.
 - C. **Danville Aquaplex Presentation** – Tim Higbie, Julie Petree, Casey Sadler, and Kirsten Simon were in attendance to represent a project called the Danville Aquaplex. Tim Higbie presented an overview of the work they have done to develop a plan for a new year-round multi-purpose aquatic facility which would serve not only the schools, but also the surrounding communities. This facility would be used for swimming and diving competitions, wellness, swim lessons, and all other water-related activities. In addition to the Town, they hope to also enlist financial support from healthcare facilities, business, and other organizations to help make the Aquaplex a reality within the next two years. They estimate the cost for the project to be about \$15,000,000. Three different designs adjacent to the main building of the Danville High School were provided along with many pages of supporting documentation. Tim Higbie said their next step was to secure funding for a feasibility study which they estimate to cost around \$25,000. Marcia Lynch suggested that this project might be eligible for an OCRA grant and she asked Laura Parker to look into the possibility. Following the presentation, the council thanked them for their work and asked them to keep the Town informed of their progress.
 - D. **Traffic Engineering Proposal** – Laura Parker presented to the Council a proposal from traffic engineer Chet Skwarcan to evaluate the intersection where Blake, Tennessee, Cartersburg and Lincoln Street converge. The Town has received numerous complaints over the past several decades and while there have not been many accidents, there seems to be a lot of close calls. Skwarcan will analyze the intersection and make recommendations on ways to make it safer. The fee for the study will be \$2,670. Parker suggested sources to pay for the study could be Professional Services, LRS, Host, and the Clerk-Treasurer indicated it could also be paid out EDIT Professional Services which has \$15,000 available. A motion was made by Jim Stephens to fund the study out of EDIT Professional Services. Seconded by Marcia Lynch. Motion passed 5-0.
 - E. **Ordinance 8-2018 Proposed Parking Amendment** – Chuck Foggatt who represents the Wexford HOA is asking the council to increase the prohibited parking area on either side of the Wexford Commons entrance to address complaints from residents in the neighborhood. This ordinance would prohibit street parking along Manchester Drive for 200 feet from the centerline of Sycamore Lane. After discussion with Foggatt and Supt. Whitaker about the need to prohibit parking in this area, a motion was made by Dennis Wynn to suspend the rules and pass the ordinance on the first reading. It was seconded by Jim Stephens. Motion passed 5-0. Next a motion was made by Dennis Wynn to adopt the ordinance. Seconded by Jim Stephens. Motion passed 5-0.

- F. **Ordinance 9-2018 Proposed Parking Amendment** - Laura Parker explained to the Council that this ordinance was being proposed to address a complaint from a resident who lives on a cul-de-sac in Clear Creek. She is having issues with vehicles parking in front of her mailbox. Parker said the resident has tried talking to the neighbors about the parking, but they continue to park in front of her mailbox. When a police officer was called, it was discovered that there is no specific language in the Town Code that prohibits parking in front of a mailbox. The ordinance was introduced and Parker said she would invite the resident who complained to attend the next meeting so she can address the council with her concerns.
- G. **Resolution 8-2018 Transfer Funds – Fire Department** – Fire Chief Morgan requested this resolution to allow the transfer of existing funds from one account to another within the fire department’s existing budget. Motion was made by Marcia Lynch and seconded by Mike Neilson. Motion passed 5-0.

V. **Public Comments**

Greg VanLaere came forward and asked the Council to please speak into their microphones during the meeting so the people who sit in the back can hear the Council discussion.

Larry and Leon Edwards of Edwards Equipment located at 1375 E. Main Street came forward to complain about a drainage problem on their property. Larry Edwards said they have been talking to the Town and Barry Lofton for a couple of years about the drainage coming from across the road. Laura Parker reminded the Council that Stormwater Supt. Barry Lofton was not present to address their concerns. And the other side of this issue is that the Town has been working with Wabash Valley Power who is getting ready to build a new substation immediately adjacent to the Edwards property and their project would address the concerns of Edwards. It was decided to bring this issue back to the Council in two weeks when more information was available.

Staff Comments

Laura Parker – The developer of Four Oaks would like annex additional ground adjacent to the current Four Oaks subdivision so they can expand the subdivision. Parker is seeking council consent to accept a petition to annex. Council gave their consent.

Jenny Pearcy- Additional appropriations will be published in the Hendricks Flyer and The Republican this upcoming week. Those items will be on the next agenda.

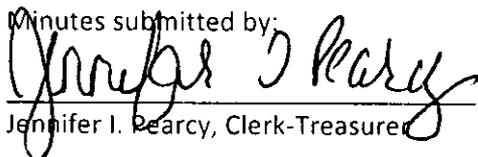
Tom Pado – He would like to look into passing an ordinance to make it legal to drive golf carts on town streets.

Marcia Lynch – Reminded everyone that Wednesday is Family 4th Fest from 6-10:30 PM at the High School.

Mike Neilson – Wished everyone a Happy 4th and be safe.

- VI. **Claim Docket** – Dennis Wynn made a motion to approve the claim docket. Seconded by Jim Stephens. Motion carried 5-0.
- VII. **Adjourn** – President Mike Neilson adjourned the meeting at approximately 8:00 PM.

Minutes submitted by:


Jennifer I. Pearcy, Clerk-Treasurer

Approved by:


Mike Neilson, Council President