

Danville Town Council Meeting Minutes

July 15, 2020

- I. **Call to Order:** Council President Tom Pado called the meeting of the Danville Town Council to order on July 15, 2020, in the Danville Town Hall.
- II. **Roll Call:** Town Council President Tom Pado acknowledged a quorum of the Council. Tom Pado, Nancy Leavitt, David Winters, Chris Gearld, and Greg VanLaere were present. Town Manager Mark Morgan was present and Clerk-Treasurer Jenny Percy was absent.
- III. **Approval of Minutes:** David Winters motioned to approve the minutes for July 1, 2020, and Greg VanLaere seconded. Motion passed 5-0.
- IV. **Public Comment:** Danville Chamber of Commerce Director Kelly Dibenedetto spoke before the council about ways to promote the town and suggested handing out certificates to citizens who have done good work in maintaining their properties. This would cost no money and would only involve a time commitment to hand out the certificates. She cited the example of Sullivan, Indiana to show that this strategy could lead to great improvements in the town at little or no cost.
- V. **Public Meeting:**
 - a) **Ordinance 20-2020**—This would extend the no parking zone on Jefferson St in order to avoid having parked cars blocking a handicapped ramp. Greg VanLaere moved to suspend the rules so that a vote could be taken and Nancy Leavitt seconded. Motion passed 5-0. Greg VanLaere made a motion to approve the ordinance and Chris Gearld seconded. Motion passed 5-0.
 - b) **Engineering Contract (Wastewater)**—Wastewater Superintendent Jerry Crisp brought a contract to hire Banning Engineering for some work on various projects on the wastewater collection system. David Winters moved to approve the contract and Nancy Leavitt seconded. Motion passed 5-0.
 - c) **Engineering Contract (Water)**—This contract would be for Banning Engineering to do work for the Water Department specifically related to the water treatment plant. Greg VanLaere motioned to accept the contract and Chris Gearld seconded. Motion passed 5-0.
 - d) **School Contract**—The Danville schools requested to be released from their contract to lease rooms on the second floor of the town hall. Mark said that they would be out of the building in August. Nancy Leavitt motioned to allow the schools out of the contract early and Greg VanLaere seconded. Motion passed 5-0.
 - e) **Resolution 5-2020**—The Danville Police Department would like to transfer some of its property to the Danville schools to help them form their own police department. Chris Gearld motioned to approve, David Winters seconded. Motion passed 5-0.
- VI. **Staff Comments**

Mark asked if the council would like to add anything to the work study on August 5 that isn't already on the agenda. Council President Tom Pado asked to have the topic of several hundred new homes coming into town put on the agenda. Mark reported that the first round of concrete had been poured on the square. He also gave a short briefing on the various departments.

Water: They were taking water samples and reading meters.

Police: Had three applicants for the recently vacated sergeant's position and they had narrowed down their applicants for the new positions down to nine candidates.

Wastewater: Was working with iWorQ to implement their software.

Fire: Reported 843 runs YTD and had been working with ISO to get the town a new fire ranking.

Planning: Was working on a request from a citizen to vacate an alleyway.

Public Works: Was getting ready for the weekend concert.

Parks: Had 125 people at the most recent concert. Will was working on the camera project and the department was helping with some Eagle Scout projects.

Lesa talked to the council about setting up a committee to discuss annexing some properties on the south side of 36.

David mentioned the fact that Danville does not have architectural standards and brought up the possibility of instituting some.

Greg went to the Planning Commission meeting and was pleased to see a lot of activity around the high school earlier that day. He also thanked all of the town employees who have been putting in extra hours.

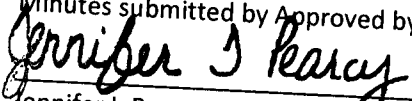
Nancy complimented Kelly Dibenedetto on the town fireworks.

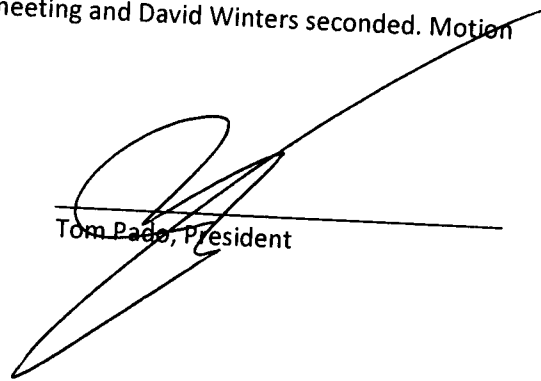
Chris complimented Will on how well the parks are doing as well as an important find that the police dive team made in the wake of a car chase.

VII. **Claim Docket** – David Winters motioned to approve the claim docket and Nancy Leavitt seconded. Motion passed 5-0.

VIII. **Adjourn** – Greg VanLaere made a motion to adjourn the meeting and David Winters seconded. Motion passed 5-0. The meeting was adjourned at 7:35pm.

Minutes submitted by Approved by:


Jennifer I. Percy, Clerk-Treasurer


Tom Pado, President