

Danville Town Council Meeting Minutes
September 2, 2020

- I. **Call to Order:** Council Vice President Nancy Leavitt called the meeting of the Danville Town Council to order on September 2, 2020, in the Danville Town Hall.
- II. **Roll Call:** Town Council Vice President Nancy Leavitt acknowledged a quorum of the Council. Nancy Leavitt, David Winters, Chris Gearld, and Greg VanLaere were present. Council President Tom Pado was present by phone. Town Manager Mark Morgan and Clerk-Treasurer Jenny Percy were present.
- III. **Approval of Minutes:** David Winters motioned to approve the work study minutes for August 5, 2020, and Greg VanLaere seconded. Motion passed 5-0. Greg Vanlaere motioned to approve the minutes for August 19, 2020 and Chris Gearld seconded. Motion passed 5-0. David Winters motioned to approve the work study minutes from August 26, 2020 and Chris Gearld seconded. Motion passed 5-0.
- IV. **Public Comment:** Debra Rushton came before the council to express her dissatisfaction with recent zoning changes passed by the council. Patrick McNabb came before the council to talk once more about changing the ordinances that prohibit raising chickens in town.
- V. **Public Meeting:**
 - a) **Swearing-in of Plan Commission Member**—Council Vice President Nancy Leavitt swore in Jill Howard to the Plan Commission.
 - b) **Swearing-in of Code Enforcement Officer**—Clerk-Treasurer Jenny Percy swore-in Blaine Rout as the town's new code enforcement officer.
 - c) **Ordinance 24-2020**—This item was tabled for another meeting.
 - d) **Ordinance 25-2020**—This item was also tabled.
 - e) **Ordinance 27-2020**—This ordinance would annex property at 558 Sycamore Lane. This ordinance stood as introduced.
 - f) **Request for Street Closure**—Christa of Downtown Danville Partnership spoke before the council to request a street closure on portions of Washington and Marion Streets for the concert on the square. She wanted to situate the stage at the intersection of those streets in order to comply with Health Department social distancing standards. Chris Gearld motioned to approve the closure and Greg VanLaere seconded. Motion passed 5-0. Krista also brought the idea before the council of holding a one day festival on the south and east side of the squares as partial compensation for the Covered Bridge Festival being cancelled. Greg VanLaere motioned to approve the closing of Jefferson and Marion Streets for this purpose on October 10 and David Winters seconded. Motion passed 5-0.
 - g) **Capital Expenditure Request: Test Well**—Water Superintendent Matt Ellison requested the council's permission to set up another test well in Blanton Woods in search of water. Greg VanLaere motioned to approve the expenditure for the test well and Chris Gearld seconded. Motion passed 5-0.
 - h) **Budget Discussion**—Clerk-Treasurer Jenny Percy asked the council to schedule a work study meeting regarding the town budget. The council agreed to meet on September 9 at 6pm.
- VI. **Staff Comments**

Mark attended multi-hazard training as part of the town's disaster preparedness. He also reported that Assistant Town Manager/Parks Superintendent Will Lacey had his daughter born on the day of the council meeting.

Greg attended the comprehensive plan workshop as well as the Park Board meeting. He plans to attend the Plan Commission and BZA meetings as well as the Downtown Partnership meeting. He asked for Lesa to speak to Debra Rushton's concern and Lesa invited Mrs. Rushton to call her the next day. He also had the town's legal counsel explain to Mr. McNabb the process of drafting and introducing an ordinance before the council.

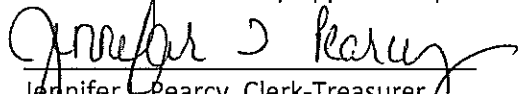
Chris remarked on attending the multi-hazard training with Mark.

Jenny reminded everyone of Ray Whitaker's retirement party on October 16 from 4 to 6pm.

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

VIII. **Adjourn** – David Winters made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Chris Gearld seconded. Motion passed 5-0. The meeting ended at 7:40pm.

Minutes submitted by Approved by:


Jennifer L. Percy, Clerk-Treasurer


Tom Pado, President