

Danville Town Council Meeting Minutes

June 16, 2021

- I. **Call to Order:** Council President Tom Pado called the meeting of the Danville Town Council to order on June 16, 2021 in Danville Town Hall, 49 N. Wayne St., Danville, Indiana.
- II. **Roll Call:** Town Council President Tom Pado acknowledged a quorum of the Council. Tom Pado, David Winters, Nancy Leavitt, Chris Gearld, and Greg VanLaere were all present. Town Manager Mark Morgan, Assistant Town Manager Will Lacey, and Clerk-Treasurer Jenny Pearcy were all present.
- III. **Approval of Minutes:** Chris Gearld motioned to approve the work study minutes from June 2, 2021 and David Winters seconded. Motion passed 5-0. Nancy Leavitt motioned to approve the meeting minutes from June 2, 2021 and Chris Gearld seconded. Motion passed 5-0.
- IV. **Public Comment:** None.
- V. **Public Meeting:**
 - a) **Wishes to be Heard: Street Closure**—Kelly DiBenedetto of the Chamber of Commerce requested to move the Community Awards to the square and to close off Jefferson, Marion, and Washington Streets during the event on September 25, 2021. She also requested some lights for the event. Greg VanLaere motioned to approve the request and Nancy Leavitt seconded. Motion passed 5-0.
 - b) **Community Crossings Grant**—Administrative Assistant Malynn Hearon came before the council to request that they approve and sign off on the application for the Community Crossings grant. David Winters motioned to approve her request and Greg VanLaere seconded. Motion passed 5-0. Greg VanLaere thanked Malynn for all of her work on applying for the grant.
 - c) **Ordinance 10-2021**—This ordinance would create a Waterworks BAN for the town. Water Superintendent Matt Ellison came forward with a representative from Taft Law. They explained that the yield could be as much as \$18 million though more likely would be in the neighborhood of \$12.5 million. It would be set at a fixed rate and would not exceed 25 years or 5%. Council President Tom Pado thanked them for their work.
 - d) **Ordinance 15-2021**—This ordinance would permit traditionally off-road vehicles to be used in the town of Danville. Some amendments had been made since the last meeting based on the council's discussion of it. Greg VanLaere questioned whether or not these vehicles would need to be registered like golf carts and it was clarified that no, they would not need to be. David Winters motioned to approve and Greg VanLaere seconded. Motion passed 5-0.
 - e) **Ordinance 16-2021**—This ordinance would annex 569 N CR 300 E into town. Council President Tom Pado gaveled open a public hearing and then closed it when no one came forward. The ordinance was left as introduced.
 - f) **Ordinance 19-2021**—This ordinance would annex 306 Lawton Ave. into town. Council President Tom Pado gaveled open a public hearing and closed it without anyone from the public coming forward. The ordinance was left as introduced.
 - g) **Ordinance 20-2021**—This ordinance would amend Ordinance 12-2021. That ordinance number was already used some time ago. It would be changed from that name to 20-2021. Clerk-Treasurer Jenny Pearcy requested that the rules be suspended so that this could be passed owing to some time constraints. Greg VanLaere motioned to suspend the rules and Chris Gearld seconded. Motion passed 5-0. David Winters motioned to approve the change in the name of the ordinance and Nancy Leavitt seconded. Motion passed 5-0.

- h) **Resolution 17-2021**—This resolution would permit council members to continue participating in the council meetings electronically. Chris Gerald motioned to approve the resolution and Greg VanLaere seconded. Motion passed 5-0.
- i) **Resolution 18-2021**—This resolution would opt the town out of some ongoing opioid legislation. Town Manager Mark Morgan said it was best to opt out and move on. David Winters asked if the town would be opting out of this litigation to focus on another one perhaps and legal counsel confirmed that that was the case. David Winters motioned to approve the resolution and Nancy Leavitt seconded. Motion passed 5-0.
- j) **CER: State Certification**—Interim Wastewater Superintendent Tony Kirkpatrick wanted for the department to spend some money to complete some state certifications through Banning Engineering. He had already begun the process because Town Manager Mark Morgan suggested he do so because of the time crunch. Greg VanLaere motioned to approve the expenditure and Chris Gearld seconded. Motion passed 5-0.

VI. **Staff Comments**

Mark updated the council on the different departments:

Water: Was working on a test well, doing work on a water valve at Kensington, setting meters, and working on Camden Creek.

Wastewater: Was doing work on 216 High Street, some L.S. checks, and some easements.

Police: Gave their report to the council in their packet.

Fire: Was having a hard time getting medical personnel, had someone nearly drown, worked on two residential fires and two chemical spills.

Admin: Was working on a contract with NFP.

Mark requested the council's permission to serve on the AIM Public Safety committee again.

Jenny commended emergency first responders for their treatment of her when she had to be picked up by an ambulance.

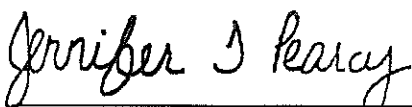
Greg took part in a meeting discussing blighted and abandoned properties in Danville and said he would be talking again to the gentleman who wanted the meeting.

David discussed the public schools deciding about students wearing masks and expressed his desire that mask-wearing by students be optional.

Chris asked about how much traffic the pool was getting as he had noticed it had been busy. Assistant Town Manager Will Lacey reported that sales were on the rise after a slow start.

- VII. **Claim Docket** – Greg VanLaere motioned to approve the claim docket and Nancy Leavitt seconded. Motion passed 5-0.
- VIII. **Adjourn** – David Winters motioned to adjourn and Chris Gearld seconded. Motion passed 5-0. The council meeting was adjourned at 7:36pm.

Minutes submitted by Approved by:



Jennifer I. Percy, Clerk-Treasurer



Tom Pado, President