

## ***Danville Town Council Meeting Minutes***

**December 15, 2021**

- I. **Call to Order**: Council President Tom Pado called the meeting of the Danville Town Council to order on December 15, 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, Greg VanLaere, and Chris Gearld were present. Town Manager Mark Morgan, Assistant Town Manager Will Lacey, and Clerk-Treasurer Jenny Percy were all present
- III. **Approval of Minutes**: David Winters motioned to approve the executive session meeting minutes from December 1, 2021 and Greg VanLaere seconded. Greg VanLaere motioned to approve the council meeting minutes from December 1, 2021 and Nancy Leavitt seconded. Motion passed 5-0.
- IV. **Public Comment**: None.
- V. **Public Meeting**:
  - a) **Badge Pinning: Fire Department**—Clerk-Treasurer Jenny Percy swore in three new hires for the Fire Department and two others that were receiving promotions. Fire Commissioner Chris Gearld read a statement emphasizing the importance of firefighters to the community. A badge pinning ceremony followed the oaths.
  - b) **Bid Opening: Mill & Fill Community Crossing Grant**—Public Works Superintendent Andrew Pitcher opened up some bids from Rieth Riley and Midwest for work to be done on Broadway and 200 E. Rieth Riley bid \$386,310 and Midwest bid \$276,853. Superintendent Pitcher told the council that he would like to review the bids and bring back a recommendation. The council consented to this.
  - c) **Ordinance 34-2021**—Clerk-Treasurer Jenny Percy introduced this ordinance. It would approve some additional appropriations for 2021.
  - d) **Ordinance 34-2021**—Town Council President Tom Pado gaveled open a public hearing for this ordinance and closed it shortly thereafter when no one came forward.
  - e) **Ordinance 34-2021**—David Winters motioned to suspend the rules in order to take action on this ordinance and Greg VanLaere seconded. Motion passed 5-0. David Winters motioned to adopt this ordinance and Greg VanLaere seconded. Motion passed 5-0.
  - f) **Resolution 30-2021**—Clerk-Treasurer Jenny Percy introduced the holiday schedule for 2022. She brought up Juneteenth as a possible holiday and possibly replacing Election Day or Columbus Day with that holiday. The council decided to pass on this and to keep the holiday schedule as it was with Election Day included. Greg VanLaere motioned to approve schedule as it was and Chris Gearld seconded. Motion passed 5-0.
  - g) **Resolution 31-2021**—Public Works Superintendent Andrew Pitcher brought forward a resolution that would permit certain members of the council and staff to sign off on INDOT agreements. Chris Gearld motioned to adopt the resolution and Nancy Leavitt seconded. Motion passed 5-0.
  - h) **Approval of 2022 Meeting Dates**—Town Manager Mark Morgan presented the council's meeting schedule for 2022. Greg VanLaere motioned to approve the schedule as presented and Chris Gearld seconded. Motion passed 5-0.
  - i) **CER: Snow Removal Equipment**—Stormwater Superintendent Barry Lofton brought forward a capital expenditure request so that he could purchase some snow removal equipment so that he, Adam Reed, and Blaine Rout could take care of plowing the town hall for Public Works. It would be

for \$24,800. He would be using \$8400 out of a Public Works insurance claim for part of it. David Winters motioned to approve the expenditure and Nancy Leavitt seconded. Motion passed 5-0.

VI. **Staff Comments**

**Mark** updated the council on the different departments.

Fire: Had 1927 runs YTD; did elevator training; worked a vehicle accident that resulted in two deaths.

Stormwater/Building: Had the roof on Hargrave Hall repaired; will be starting work on Commerce Park soon; had a record year of permit applications.

Wastewater: Tony Kirkpatrick was introduced as the new superintendent; they were working on Northwood Haven; doing monthly reports; lift station checks.

Public Works: Finished up with leaf removal; was working on spray-patching; would like to set up a work study with council to discuss results of leaf pick-up process; installed handicap signs at the library; removed some stop signs; ordered some salt; removed some fallen trees.

Parks: Were working on Winterland and on the Ballard football tower.

Water: Were doing site preparation on a new water treatment plant; were doing monthly samples; were doing work out in Kensington.

Community Engagement: Was doing some training with E-Gov; doing some head shots with the Parks Department; and working on a newsletter about updates in the town.

Police: Included their report in the council packets.

Mark reminded the council of the upcoming Christmas luncheon.

**Greg** thanked the staff for a great year and wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

**David** seconded those thoughts.

**Nancy** did as well.

**Chris** did the same.

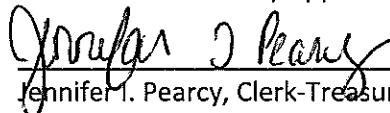
**Jenny** asked to change the final council meeting from December 29 to December 30 in order to accommodate some people's schedules. She also mentioned that she and Mark are working with the RDC on some meetings.


**Tom** told everyone that while he intended to continue being a councilman he had decided that he would not be president next year because his hearing was deteriorating which was making it difficult for him to discharge the duties related to that office. He thanked everyone for their work.

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

VIII. **Adjourn** – Chris Gearld motioned to adjourn and Greg VanLaere seconded. Motion passed 5-0. The meeting adjourned at 7:46pm.

Minutes submitted by Approved by:

  
Jennifer I. Percy, Clerk-Treasurer

  
Tom Pado/President