

## CUMBERLAND TOWN COUNCIL

March 21, 2018

### Minutes

The meeting was **CALLED TO ORDER** and the **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** was led by President Anna Pea.

**ROLL CALL** was taken by Clerk-Treasurer, Erica Salmon. Present were Council President Anna Pea, Council Vice President Joe Siefker, and Council Member Nicole Bell. Also Present; Assistant Town Manager Christine Owens, Ben Lipps, and Attorney Mitchell Ray. Minutes were taken by Deputy Clerk-Treasurer, Allison Gray.

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

Claims Register

Minutes – March 7, 2018

Motion and Second to approve the Consent Agenda

By Bell and Siefker. **APPROVED 3 – 0**

### **CITIZENS COMMENTS (Maximum 5 minutes)**

(none)

### **STAFF REPORTS**

#### **Commander Chris Etherton, CPD:**

The official announcement of the Mental Health C.A.R.E. Unit that happened earlier today was a success.

#### **Christine Owens, Assistant Town Manager:**

IPL Streetlights update – April spoke with Fred Mills about some additional questions. The LED lights would be installed sometime over the next 3 years if we enter into the CIAC. The maximum amount of time that the payments can be split up is 3 years. Also, he is going to have something written up regarding paying over 3 years so it can be presented to the Council.

Opportunity Zones – The Governor is accepting nominations for qualifying census tracts to submit to the federal government to be designated as Opportunity Zones. Opportunity Zones are a 10-year designation that allow businesses to invest capital gains into an opportunity fund that is then used to fund projects within the Opportunity Zone. The Governor can nominate 156 of the 621 qualifying parcels. The census tract Marion County Cumberland sits in qualifies. Christine is working on the nomination form as well as coordinating with the City of Indianapolis to have them submit it as part of their package.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

Consideration of Ordinance 2018-04, Amending Employee Handbook, Regarding Work Equipment

Motion and Second to approve Ordinance 2018-04, Amending Employee Handbook

By Siefker and Bell. **APPROVED 3 – 0.**

Consideration of Ordinance 2018-05, Amending Employee Handbook, Regarding Accrual and Payout of Vacation Time

Motion and Second to approve Ordinance 2018-05, Amending Employee Handbook  
By Siefker and Bell. **APPROVED 3 – 0.**

Consideration of Ordinance 2018-06, Establishing Parks Board

Motion and Second **to TABLE the CONSIDERATION** of Ordinance 2018-06,  
Establishing Parks Board, for a later date  
By Siefker and Pea. **APPROVED 3 – 0.**

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Consideration of Liability Insurance Quotes, by Don Brown, HJ Spier Co, Inc.  
Don Brown presented liability insurance quotes from Selective Insurance, Travelers Insurance, and Tokyo Marine HCC.

Motion and Second to approve Travelers Insurance and IPEP for Worker's Compensation  
By Siefker and Bell. **CONFIRMED 3 – 0.**

Approval of LOI for Purchase of 341 Buck Creek Road, Christine Owens, Assistant Town Mgr.  
Discussion as to the benefits of acquiring the 7.911-acre property adjacent to Lion's Park, appraised at \$235,000: Increased visibility from Buck Creek road for the park; possibly decreasing park vandalism; opportunity to use the house for events or as a small museum; or sell the house.

Motion and Second to approve moving forward with an LOI for purchase of 341 Buck Creek Road  
By Bell and Siefker. **APPROVED 3-0.**

Introduction of Resolution 2018-08, Support of Stellar Communities Application

Resolve to support the application process, still must comply with requirements for match (which are unknown at this time), interlocal agreements, etc.; Ninestar & Hancock Health are also partners.

Motion and Second to approve Resolution 2018-08, Support of Stellar Communities  
By Siefker and Bell. **APPROVED 3-0.**

Consideration of Right of Entry allowing Brandywine Creek Farms to use Welland Property  
Brandywine Creek Farms is looking for farm land for their non-profit, also taking maintenance of property. Christine will check to see if zoning is ok. They will have the opportunity to farm the property for up to 2 years.

Motion and Second to allow Brandywine Creek Farms to use the Welland Property as farm access  
By Siefker and Bell. **APPROVED 3-0.**

Consideration of CCMG Bids, by Ben Lipps, Director of Public Works

Community Crossing Matching Grant. Low bidder was Midwest Paving \$318,051.10. Ben recommends that Town Council executes this award.

Motion and Second to approve Notice of Award to Midwest Paving Company  
By Siefker and Bell. **APPROVED 3-0.**

Once awarded, allow Ben to work with attorney and Midwest Paving to execute the contract prepared by town engineers before the April 15<sup>th</sup> deadline.

Motion and Second to allow Ben to work with town attorneys and Midwest Paving Company to execute the contract and sign the contract  
By Siefker and Bell. **APPROVED** 3-0.

Consideration of Streetscape Maintenance Contract, by Ben Lipps, Director of Public Works  
MG Landscaping bid \$13,000 lower than the next higher bidder. Ben recommends renewing contract with MG Landscaping. Problem with trash pickup. Ben recommends town employees assist in weekly trash pickup.

Motion and Second to approve MG Landscaping as the contractor for Streetscape Maintenance  
By Siefker and Bell. **APPROVED** 3-0.

### **COUNCILOR COMMENTS**

Councilor Bell requested that the police make rounds enforcing parking regulations in the area.

Council President Pea commented on the poor conditions of Carrol and Muessing roads, which are not town roads, but under Indianapolis maintenance. Pot hole conditions are terrible. Ben has requested to be able to patch those holes and bill the City of Indianapolis for the material but has not heard back from Indianapolis.

### **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

Public Hearing on Appraisal – Gem Utilities  
Handbook Amendments  
Tourism Grant  
Purchase of Four Squares Consideration  
DPW Truck Purchase  
Approval of Construction Standards  
IPL Light Agreement

### **ADJOURNMENT**

*The Town of Cumberland acknowledges its responsibility to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990. In order to assist individuals with disabilities who require special services (i.e. sign interpretive services, alternative audio/visual devices, and amanuenses) for participation in or access to Town sponsored public programs, services, and/or meetings, the Town requests that individuals make requests for these services at least forty-eight (48) hours ahead of the scheduled program, service, and/or meeting. To make arrangements please contact Christine Owens, Director of Planning & Development at (317) 894-6202 or [planner@town-cumberland.com](mailto:planner@town-cumberland.com).*