

CUMBERLAND TOWN COUNCIL

April 4, 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, Council Member Aaron Cutshaw, Council Member Brian Gritter. Also Present; Town Manager April Fisher, Ben Lipps, and Attorney Mitchell Ray. Minutes were taken by Deputy Clerk-Treasurer, Allison Gray.

CONSENT AGENDA

Claims Register

Minutes – March 21, 2018

Motion and Second to approve the Consent Agenda

By Siefker and Cutshaw. **APPROVED 4 – 0**

PUBLIC HEARING ON GEM UTILITIES APPRAISAL

Review and Explanation of Appraisal – April Fisher

Appraisals were completed by: Bill Schreiner, appraiser; Fredrick Golmeier, appraiser; Kent Elliott, engineer. Received on January 12, 2018. Gem Sanitary valued at \$7.1 million and Gem Water was appraised at \$4 million. No decision has been made to sell at this point. No offers by any party have been accepted.

Public Comments on potential sale – none

CITIZENS COMMENTS (Maximum 5 minutes)

(none)

STAFF REPORTS

Michael Crooke, Police Chief

- Next week is Crime Victim's Rights week.
- Chief recognized Allison Gray for doing her job well.

April Fisher, Town Manager:

- **Gem Sale** – Staff has continued answering questions as they have come in.
- **HCI** – The team meets again on April 9th at 3pm. They have also added Jan Viehweg to the group. She is a Cumberland resident and serves on the HCCF Board of Directors.

- **Stellar Regions** –The Letter of Intent is due April 6th. We put out a press release on March 28, which was picked up by Indiana Business Journal and Greenfield Reporter. The coverage was positive.
- Renee Garard has added a cruise in to the BBB's to drum up attendance. Also, a BBQ Cook-Off has been added to the June 30th BBB. Renee is working with the health department to make sure this is compliant.
- Renee is working with Ben to get quotes for grading of Mr. Munn's property for Weihnachtsmarkt. She is also working on getting a ROE for Mr. Munn's property for the rest of the year to cover both the grading and Weihnachtsmarkt.

Director of Public Works:

Water

- Astbury worked with Ben to get a third Chlorine tank at the water plant to keep water treatment on a scheduled rotation for better treatment.

Gem Sanitary

- Russel Contractors are still replacing diffuser arms at the North Plant.

Cumberland Sanitary

- All sampling and analysis was completed in accordance with the NPDES permit.
- The centrifuge was re-commissioned and is operating great.

Streets

- Mobile 311 is reporting 103 new work orders have been created and 81 have been completed in the past 2 weeks.
- Ben is continuing to work on PASER updates in GIS to plan for future work.
- Staff is continuing patching roads on days when the road is clear.
- Ben is working on updating all town construction standards and has met with BF&S to discuss and view standards.

Parks

- Staff is prepping all parks equipment for the season.
- The community needs assessment meeting was held on March 29th for the parks master plan. April reported overwhelmingly positive feedback.
- Mobile 311 is reporting 73 new work orders with 52 completed.
- The Lions Club held their annual egg hunt at Lions Park on March 31st.

OLD BUSINESS

Consideration of Ordinance 2018-06, Establishing Parks Board

Mitchell Ray, Town Attorney

Motion and Second to **TABLE UNTIL AN UNSPECIFIED FUTURE DATE**

By Siefker and Gritter. **APPROVED 4 – 0**

NEW BUSINESS

Introduction of Ordinance 2018-07, Determination of Political
Affiliation or appointment to Boards and Commissions

Mitchell Ray, Town Attorney

This ordinance is in response to state law. A person's political affiliation will be based on how they voted in the last Indiana primary election. If a vacancy occurs, the town has 90 days to fill that vacancy. After 90 days, the county chairperson can fill that position for the town. Mitchell recommends that this Ordinance be approved at the next Town Council Meeting.

Consideration of Resolution 2018-09,
Amendment to 2031 Comprehensive Plan to Update Annexation Policy

Christine Owens, Asst. Town Manager

This is a guideline and may change. This comes from the Plan Commission meeting with a favorable recommendation.

Motion and Second to Approve Resolution 2018-09, Amendment to 2031 Comprehensive Plan
By Siefker and Cutshaw. **APPROVED 4 – 0.**

COUNCILOR COMMENTS

- Vice President Siefker asked Ben about summer road construction crews.
- President Pea asked about progress on the damaged mailboxes. Ben reported that he will call the contractor. This is supposed to happen this week.
- Ben also reported that we are waiting on the ground to dry out before repairs are made to the damaged turf.
- Town banners are to be changed soon. This has been delayed due to weather. Renee will call.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Political affiliation ordinance
Handbook Amendments
Tourism Grant
Purchase of Four Squares
DPW Truck Purchase
Construction Standards

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.