

CUMBERLAND TOWN COUNCIL

June 20, 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

Minutes – June 6, 2018

Claims Register

Motion and Second to approve the Consent Agenda
By Cutshaw and Siefker. **APPROVED 4 – 0**

CITIZENS COMMENTS

(none)

STAFF REPORTS

Sugar Creek Fire Department:

There is a recruit school going on currently with 5 new firefighters. Over the past 4 months, we have had a 20-25% increase in run loads. The typical increase is 5-10%. Due to this jump, we are looking to bring on 6-9 new firefighter/paramedics next year. Fortunately, there is a lot of building growth in the Sugar Creek township area. There are currently 9 new subdivisions going in and 3 subdivision expansions. We will be able to pay for these new firefighters without altering the tax rate.

Chris Etherton:

Chief Crooke will be one of the presenters in the FBI conference in St. Louis next week. He and several officers will be there June 25-27.

2018 Ed Burhenn \$500 Scholarship Winners:

Twanaysia Gibbs

Brandon Warren

Blaire Viehweg

Austin Covington

Morgan Garard

Mitchell Donlon

Aiden Moulder

Congratulations to all and thank you Burhenn family!

April Fisher, Town Manager:

- Buck Creek Trail – We believe work will be wrapping up within the next 2 weeks. Compliments on the trail continue to come in. The community is very happy.
- HCI – The team met June 4th. They are working on choosing the Pathways Project. Up for consideration is a pop-up community center, an arts council, or a beautification committee. The committee then met on Monday, June 18th and decided on an interactive art mural under the US40 overpass along the Buck Creek Trail.
- Stellar Regions –Our presentation for the State went very well. We had 109 attendees and our goal was 60. The room was packed and it made a great impression for our community.

- The BZA will meet June 25th to consider a new petition for a pool within a utility easement as we did not have a quorum on the 4th.
- The Plan Commission will meet June 27th to consider a proposed new Planned Unit Development at CR 700 W and US 40 that includes a mix of single family residential and paired villas.
- The Redevelopment Commission will not meet in June.
- Renee met with Forest Lucas about possibly sponsoring the BBB's in the future

Water

- Operations are within satisfactory levels at this time.
- Ben is working with Ninestar to prepare for the potential sale to help create a smooth transition. They have been sharing resources to prepare for the future expansion of Gem.

Gem Sanitary

- Ben is working with Umbaugh to prepare for rate studies.

Cumberland Sanitary

- Operations are within satisfactory levels
- The Centrifuge A/C unit is being repaired as an emergency contract.
- The centrifuge building is in bad shape Ben is working to get bids to repair it.

Streets

- Mobile 311 is reporting 67 new work orders have been created and 113 have been completed in the past 3 weeks.
- Midwest Paving started paving this week and plans to be completed soon.

Parks

- Mobile 311 is reporting in the past 2 weeks staff has created 152 work orders and completed 117.
- Ben has asked for quotes to repair the basketball courts in the parks. The PAC came to a consensus to recommend this work this year.

OLD BUSINESS

Consideration of Ordinance 2018-14, Amending Employee Handbook Regarding Intermittent Leave

Mitchell Ray, Town Attorney

This ordinance amends our employee handbook to align with federal law, stating that the town will allow employees to take incremental leave for vacations, sick, personal days and bereavement leaves, and requires employees to take a minimum increment of 1 hour. It also makes some corrections to our FMLA policy.

Motion and Second to approve Ordinance 2018-14
By Siefker and Cutshaw. **APPROVED 4 – 0**

Consideration of Ordinance 2018-15, Amending Employee Handbook Regarding Weapons Policy

Mitchell Ray, Town Attorney

Amends section 5.04 of the employee handbook, clarifying some of our training and security features of the town's weapons policy. Amendments include: requiring annual training by Police department, requiring legal training, requiring employees to always carry their weapon on them and allowing the town to revoke the privilege.

Motion and Second to approve Ordinance 2018-15
By Cutshaw and Gritter. **APPROVED 4 – 0**

**Consideration of Ordinance 2018-13,
Broadband Ready Community**

Christine Owens, Asst. Town Manager

This ordinance allows the town to pursue a broadband ready community designation.

Motion and Second to approve Ordinance 2018-13
By Siefker and Gritter. **APPROVED 4 – 0**

NEW BUSINESS

**Consideration of Community Enrichment Grant Request
Wyatt Watkins, Vice President and Staff Liaison, and Sarah Bowers, President and Event Chair**

Cumberland Arts, Inc.

Motion and Second to approve the Community Enrichment Grant Request by Cumberland Arts, Inc.
including providing portable toilets and power grid along Saturn Street
By Siefker and Gritter. **APPROVED 4 – 0**

**Consideration of Resolution 2018-13, Declaring Certain Property
to be Worthless and Authorizing Disposal**

Mitchell Ray, Town Attorney

This Resolution will be tabled until a list of items to be disposed is produced.

Consideration of Resolution 2018-14, Disposition of Police Vehicle
The specific vehicle to be auctioned is a 2009 Ford Crown Victoria.

Mitchell Ray, Town Attorney

Motion and Second to approve Resolution 2018-14
By Cutshaw and Gritter. **APPROVED 4 – 0**

COUNCILOR COMMENTS

Council Member Cutshaw complimented the town on the trail. He is very pleased with it and proud to be a resident of Cumberland.

Council Member Gritter complimented the police department on their youth academy. Three of his grandchildren participated and loved the experience.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Grant's Corner PUD
Resolution 2018-13

Amend the town's no smoking policy to include no vaping on town property.

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.