

CUMBERLAND TOWN COUNCIL

March 6, 2019

Minutes

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

ROLL CALL was taken by Clerk Treasurer, Erica Salmon. Present were Council President Joe Siefker, Council Vice President Anna Pea, Council Member Brian Gritter and Council Member Aaron Cutshaw. Also Present; Town Manager April Fisher and Attorney Mitchell Ray. Minutes were taken by Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Allison Gray.

CONSENT AGENDA

Claims Register

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

CITIZENS COMMENTS

Marjorie Kashner, 636 Washington Cove Way, 46229

Marjorie shared her concerns about the way the town and surrounding areas are littered with trash. She described the current trash situation as ‘horrible’. She has been going to Parks Advisory Board meetings and is hoping for improved communication between that board and the Town Council. She feels that we need to hold local businesses accountable for the condition of their property. April 27th is Clean Up Day. She shared her desire for this event to happen 4 times each year. This event is working in coordination with ‘Keep Indianapolis Beautiful’.

STAFF REPORTS & OTHER NEWS

Chris Etherton, Cumberland Police Department: Nothing to report.

April Fisher, Town Manager:

- **ULI** – April and Christine attended the Momentum meeting at McCordsville. The group has identified signage as one of the first projects to go after. They hope to be able to secure some grant funding.
- **Gem Water Sale** – Steve Reilly has received his full payment and we have received the cancellation of the bond from SRF. Ben and Christine are working on proposals for what to do with the \$100,000 in NineStar credit.
- **Indy Partnership** – April and Christine met with the Indy Partnership. This is a regional development organization which serves our area. It is something we may want to consider joining. The cost is \$1/ citizen according to census estimates. (~\$5600)
- **Stellar** – April and Christine attended the feedback session with OCRA.
- **MIBOR Housing Study** – April attended the MIBOR housing study presentation given during the Greenfield City Council meeting. It was a very informative presentation and effectively showed the changes in housing trends as well as where our shortfalls are.
- Christine attended the **HCCF grant training** on February 13.

- Christine attended the **IHPC Citizen Advisory Panel** for the preservation plan update on February 13. IHPC is looking to streamline the preservation plans so they are easier to use and understand. They hope to go to one large plan with certain sections that apply to all districts and then for each district there will be a section with the individual particulars for the district. They are not planning to change boundaries or the rules at this point. It seems to be a basic reorganization of the plans with some updates for current technologies both in construction and in how the plan can be formatted and used. The next meeting is in April.
- The **BZA will** not meet in March.
- The **Redevelopment Commission** will likely have its annual organization meeting in February.
- Renee un-decorated the Gap house

Gem Sanitary

- All operations or within satisfactory levels.

Cumberland Sanitary

- Plant and Lift Station operations are within satisfactory levels.
- The phosphorus removal plan is moving forward. The plan called for only two alum tanks but we are not able to get quantities in that small of an amount so we got quotes for two additional tanks.

Streets

- Staff has been continuing to fight old man winter.
- Staff has been out patching.
- Staff removed 2 trees from the road after we had high winds.

Parks

- Ben met with BDMD to discuss the plan. They are finalizing design drawings. All other written recommendations are complete. They are setting the final public meeting and presentations.
- Ben has started working on the RFP to do an assessment for park impact fees.

Storm Water

- Ben and Katelynn investigated a sink hole forming in a citizen’s yard. There is a drain inlet that needs repaired.
- Katelynn has been monitoring the following homes under construction for storm water quality:
 - Homes under Construction:
 - Autumn Woods Section 2 and 3 – 62

OLD BUSINESS

Plan Commission Appointments

- **Jacqueline Reeves** – re-appointment for 4-year term
- **Edward Loud** – appointment to fill term that will end in 2022

Joe Siefker, Council President

**Consideration of Ordinance 2019-01,
Amending Unsafe Building Code**

Mitchell Ray, Town Attorney

This ordinance applies to unsafe buildings that are listed on the county tax sales certificate form.

Motion and Second to approve Ordinance 2019-01, Amending Unsafe Building Code
By Cutshaw and Gritter. **APPROVED 4 – 0.**

Consideration of Ordinance 2019-02, Adopting Language Identification Flashcard to Title VI

Michell Ray, Town Attorney

There are 31 languages listed that will assist individuals who speak a different language and need assistance.

Motion and Second to approve Ordinance 2019-02,
Adopting Language Identification Flashcard to Title VI
By Gritter and Pea. **APPROVED 4 – 0.**

NEW BUSINESS

Introduction of Ordinance 2019-04, Amending Board Police Commissioners

Mitchell Ray, Town Attorney

This ordinance would increase the number of board members on the Police Commission from three to five, and also allow up to two Town Council Members to be able to serve on that board. Council President Siefker mentioned that this board will need to quickly be brought up to speed, since this board will be facilitating the replacement of Chief Crooke, who will be retiring.

Acceptance of Annexation Petition

April Fisher, Town Manager

This petition involves the property at 209 Buck Creek Road. The owner already owns the adjacent property, which is part of the town. The owner would like to combine the properties.

Motion and Second to approve Annexation Petition
By Cutshaw and Gritter. **APPROVED 4 – 0.**

2019 Legislative Update

April Fisher, Town Manager

Following is the list of bills we should be aware of:

Senate Bill 94

Senate Bill 535

House Bill 1437

House Bill 1625

House Bill 1596

**Consideration of Resolution 2019-06,
Interest in Purchase of Property at 300 S Carroll Road**

April Fisher, Town Manager

The property at 300 S Carroll Road, adjacent to the Cumberland Wastewater Treatment plant, is available for purchase.

Motion and Second to move forward with the two appraisals
By Pea and Gritter. **APPROVED 4 – 0.**

Selection of Street Projects Contractor for 2018 CCMG Award **Ben Lipps, Dir. of Public Works**

The recommendation is to accept the bid from Calumet not to exceed \$548,400. Ben asks for permission to enter into contract with Calumet, BF&S and the attorneys for that price, and be given permission to execute the contract.

Motion and Second to accept Calumet's bid, not to exceed \$548,400,
for BF&S to create the contract, for our attorneys to review the contract,
and for Ben to be able to execute
By Pea and Gritter. **APPROVED 4 – 0.**

Consideration of 2019 BBB Stage Rental**Renee Garard, Special Projects**

Renee requested approval for \$10,000 for this year's BBB stage rental agreement with G.A.S. Productions and authorize April to execute the contract. Council Vice President Pea expressed concerns about the lack of bonding, but April pointed out that the vendor had been very good to work with the last two years.

Motion and Second to approve the BBB stage contract with G.A.S. Productions not to exceed \$10,000 and allow April to execute the contract
By Cutshaw and Gritter. **APPROVED 4 – 0.**

Consideration of June BBB fireworks**Renee Garard, Special Projects**

Renee requests \$5000 for fireworks by Circle City Pyrotechnics at the June 29th BBB.

Motion and Second to approve the fireworks contract with Circle City Pyrotechnics and allow April to execute the contract
By Gritter and Cutshaw. **APPROVED 4 – 0.**

COUNCILOR COMMENTS

Council Member Gritter will not be in attendance at the next meeting.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

**Public Hearing for and Consideration of Ordinance 2019-03, CCD Rate Recertification
Consideration of Ordinance 2019-04**

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.