

The Regular Town Council Meeting of the Town of Schererville, IN was called to order by President Rob Guetzloff at 7:25 p.m. in the Schererville Town Hall, 10 E. Joliet Street Schererville, IN.

Attendance was taken with the following Board Members present: David DeJong, Kevin Connelly, Michael Troxell, Rob Guetzloff and Thomas Schmitt. Staff members present: Attorney David Austgen, Fire Chief Bob Patterson, Deputy Fire Chief David Meyer, Interim Police Chief Dennis Zagrocki, Commander Jeff Cook, Wastewater Treatment Plant Supervisor Jim Gorman, Director of Public Works Jeff Huet, Town Manager Robert Volkmann, Clerk-Treasurer Janice Malinowski and Recording Secretary Robin Thiel.

THEREUPON, Approval of the minutes. Mr. Troxell made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 14, 2018 Public Meeting, seconded by Mr. Schmitt. All in favor (5-0).

THEREUPON, Claims

- A. APV #75352 - APV #75993 on the General Docket, Totaling \$2,804,610.03
- B. APV #75349 - APV #75979 on the MVH Docket, Totaling \$86,524.63
- C. General Fund - Administration, Austgen Kuiper Jasaitis, Various March Legal Fees \$6,277.89
- D. Subdivision Review Fund, Austgen Kuiper Jasaitis, Various March Invoices \$1,316.25
- E. Public Safety Fund, Austgen Kuiper Jasaitis, March Legal Fees \$421.25
- F. L.E. Serv/Release Fund, Spiro Mehas, Overpaid Prisoner Release Fee, March 29, 2018 \$5.00
- G. Various Funds, A.E. Boyce Company, Inc., 2018 Support Fees \$12,260.00
- H. Various Funds, 2018 ILMCT Conference and State Board of Accounts School (J. Malinowski/ K. Klein), \$850.00
- I. Cable TV Fund, Robinson Engineering, \$12,315.75
- J. Various Funds, First National Bank, Omaha, March Credit Card Purchases \$10,578.20

Mr. Schmitt made a motion to accept the claims as presented, seconded by Mr. Connelly. All in favor (5-0).

THEREUPON, Correspondence NONE

THEREUPON, Reports

Mr. Troxell stated that we have that same TIF Report from the Redevelopment Commission, and we need acknowledgement that the Town Council has received it.

Mr. Schmitt made a motion to acknowledge receipt of the TIF Report as presented in the Redevelopment Commission meeting, seconded by Mr. Connelly. All in favor (5-0).

Chief Patterson stated that at the last Board of Safety Meeting, he named Assistant Chief Dave Meyer as his Deputy Chief for the Fire Department.

THEREUPON, Public Comments Regarding Agenda Items NONE

THEREUPON, Old Business NONE

THEREUPON, New Business

ITEM A. PUBLIC HEARING

Attorney Austgen stated he has reviewed the Proof of Publications and find them to be in order.

Ord. #1919, An Ordinance Annexing Certain Contiguous Land to the Town of Schererville, Lake County, Indiana, and all Matters Related Thereto

Petitioners(s): Jacqueline L. Froman & Jacqueline L.  
Froman as Personal Representative of  
The Estate of Ruby L. Sopher

Location: 8720 Burr Street

OPEN TO THE FLOOR FOR PUBLIC COMMENT  
NO COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR  
CLOSED TO THE FLOOR FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Volkmann stated that this property is the Sopher Farm, it is proposed for a Residential Development R-1, it is approximately 51 acres in area. Mr. Volkmann stated that this is the first step of it becoming a part of Schererville.

Res. #2018-7, A Resolution of the Schererville Town Council to approve a Fiscal Plan and Policy for Proposed Annexation of a Parcel of Real Property to the Town of Schererville, Lake County, Indiana.

Mr. Schmitt made a motion to adopt Resolution #2018-7, seconded by Mr. Connelly. All in favor (5-0).

ITEM B. PUBLIC HEARING

Attorney Austgen stated he has reviewed the Proof of Publications and find them to be in order.

Ord. #1920, An Ordinance Annexing Certain Contiguous Land to the Town of Schererville, Lake County, Indiana, and all Matters Related Thereto

Petitioners(s): DSSIV Holding Co., LLC  
Location: Luers Farm

OPEN TO THE FLOOR FOR PUBLIC COMMENT  
NO COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR  
CLOSED TO THE FLOOR FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

Res. #2018-8, A Resolution of the Schererville Town Council to Approve a Fiscal Plan and Policy for Proposed Annexation of a Parcel of Real Property to the Town of Schererville, Lake County, Indiana.

Mr. Volkmann stated that this is the second part of the Luers Farm annexation. He stated that there was 150 acres south of 101<sup>st</sup>. Mr. Volkmann stated that we completed an annexation back in February, and this started the annexation on the second part of that.

Mr. Connelly made a motion to adopt Resolution #2018-8, seconded by Mr. DeJong. All in favor (5-0).

ITEM C. PUBLIC HEARING

Attorney Austgen stated he has reviewed the Proof of Publications and find them to be in order.

Attorney Richard Anderson stated that we are talking about Irvin Place. He stated that part of Irvin Place was vacated some time ago to the west and this is the last portion of it. Attorney Anderson stated that they are not vacating the easements that are in place.

Mr. Schmitt asked Mr. Volkmann if the effect the possibility of putting sidewalks across that property on the front of it. Mr. Volkmann stated no, that the sidewalks would be located on the right-of-way of Ontario.

Ord. #1922, An Ordinance Vacating a Portion of Platted, Unimproved Public Way known as Irvin Place, in Venzke Subdivision

in the Town of Schererville, Lake County, Indiana, and all Matters Related Thereto (Roger Florkiewicz - Crestwood Properties, LLC)

OPEN TO THE FLOOR FOR PUBLIC COMMENT  
NO COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR  
CLOSED TO THE FLOOR FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Connelly made a motion to consider on 1<sup>st</sup> reading Ordinance #1921, seconded by Mr. DeJong. All in favor (5-0).

ITEM D. Res. #2018-9, A Resolution Authorizing a Second Amendment To the Joint Interlocal Cooperation Agreement Regarding The Operation of a Single Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP), and all Matters Related thereto.

Mr. Volkmann stated that this is the Joint Interlocal Agreement that we have with Cedar Lake on Southcom PSAP. He stated that this is the second amendment to that and what it does is it refines some of the cost sharing measures and the governance of the Southcom PSAP, through both the Executive Board and an Operations Board.

Mr. Troxell made a motion to adopt Resolution #2018-9, seconded by Mr. DeJong. All in favor (5-0).

ITEM E. Res. #2018-10, A Resolution Authorizing the Town of Schererville, Lake County, Indiana to Enter into an Agreement with the County of Lake, Indiana in Undertaking Community Development Activities (CDBG)

Mr. Volkmann stated that every time we enter into a CDBG Financing, this is the agreement and Resolution we passed working with the County Redevelopment Office to participate in the CDBG Program for the Town of Schererville.

Mr. Schmitt made a motion to adopt Resolution #2018-10, seconded by Mr. Connelly. All in favor (5-0).

ITEM F. Res. #2018-11, A Resolution to Transfer Funds within a Category of Appropriations

Mrs. Malinowski explained that this is under the Community Crossing/Grant Fund, we have to transfer from the 400 level to the 300 level \$134,271.74. Mrs. Malinowski stated she would also like to add on the Cable TV Fund, from a 100 level to the 300 level \$4,750.00.

Mr. Troxell made a motion to adopt Resolution #2018-11, seconded by Mr. Schmitt. All in favor (5-0).

ITEM G. Consider Request for Variance of Use to Allow a Contractor's Office to Include Retail Sales, Outdoor Product and Bulk Storage of Materials within the U.S. 41 Commercial Corridor Overlay District

BZA Case #18-3-7  
Petitioners(s): Royal Pools and More - Frank  
& Brian DeBartolo  
Location: 705 67<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
BZA Favorable Recommendation 5-0

Mr. Volkmann stated that this is a vacant building that is in front of the old Avery Dennison Plant. They are planning on putting in a display area and operating it as a retail and operational headquarters for Royal Pools.

Mr. Schmitt made a motion to approve the Request for Variance, BZA Case #18-3-7, seconded by Mr. Troxell. All in favor (5-0).

ITEM H. Consider Acceptance and Approval of Certificate of Release for Elzinga Estates Located at 5812-5814 Joliet

Street, Griffith, IN and 5746-5750 Joliet Street,  
Griffith, IN in the amount of \$21,040.00

Mr. Volkmann stated that this is a release of a public infrastructure cash bond that was on deposit with the Town. Mr. Volkmann stated that this will go into Maintenance and we will retain \$2,100.00 for two years.

Mr. Troxell made a motion to Accept and Approve the Certificate of Release for Elzinga Estates as explained by Mr. Volkmann, seconded by Mr. Connelly. All in favor (5-0).

ITEM I. Consider Approval of Massage Establishment Employee Applications for the following:

Crystal Carlin (Vanis Salon, 221 US 41)  
Tami Ciesielski (Vanis Salon, 221 US 41)  
Jenna Gilman (Vanis Salon, 221 US 41)  
Krista VanderWoude (Joy Marie Salon, 808 Cedar Parkway)

Favorable Recommendation by the Board of Safety.

Mr. Connelly made a motion to approve, seconded by Mr. DeJong. All in favor (5-0).

ITEM J. Proclaim April 8 - 14, 2018 as National Telecommunications Week

Mrs. Malinowski read the proclamation in its entirety.

Mr. Troxell made a motion to Proclaim April 8-14, 2018 as National Telecommunication Week in the Town of Schererville, seconded by Mr. Connelly. All in favor (5-0).

Mr. Volkmann stated that this Friday, April 13<sup>th</sup>, there will be an open house at the Police Department from 12:00 - 2:00. He stated that if anyone has a chance to stop by and thank our Dispatcher workers for the service they provide to our community.

ITEM K. Consider Donation Request from Schererville Baseball

Mr. Connelly made a motion to defer this until the May meeting, seconded by Mr. Troxell. All in favor (5-0).

ITEM L. Consider Acceptance of Donations \$270.00

Mrs. Malinowski read the list of donations into the record.

Mr. Connelly made a motion to accept the donations as read, seconded by Mr. Troxell. All in favor (5-0).

THEREUPON, Business from the floor NONE

Meeting adjourned.

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ROB GUETZLOFF  
TOWN COUNCIL PRESIDENT

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JANICE M. MALINOWSKI  
TOWN CLERK-TREASURER

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