The Regular Town Council Meeting of the Town of Schererville, IN was called to order by President Rob Guetzloff at 6:57 p.m. in the Schererville Town Hall, 10 E. Joliet Street Schererville, IN.

Attendance was taken with the following Council Members present: Caleb S. Johnson, Kevin Connelly, Robin Arvanitis, Thomas Schmitt and Rob Guetzloff. Staff members present: Attorney David Austgen, Fire Chief Robert Patterson, IT AJ Garcia, Town Engineer Neil Simstad, Director of Public Works Chad Nondorf, Director of Operations Andy Hansen, Town Manager Jim Gorman, Clerk-Treasurer Michael Troxell and Recording Secretary Robin Thiel.

THEREUPON, Approval of the minutes. Mr. Schmitt made a motion to approve the minutes of the October 8, 2025 Public Meeting, seconded by Mr. Connelly. All in favor (5-0).

THEREUPON, Claims

- A. APV #122223 APV #122636 on the General Docket, Totaling \$1,884,120.26
- B. APV #122248 APV #122631 on the MVH Docket, Totaling \$130,301.34
- C. APV #122279 APV #122569 on the Payroll Docket, Totaling \$1,243,611.83
- D. Various Funds, First National Bank of Omaha, Credit Card Charges, \$11,802.03
- E. Various Funds, Austgen Kuiper Jasaitis, October Legal, \$14,782.60
- F. Community Crossings Fund, Milestone Contractors, Various Invoices: 2025-1, \$225,387.20
- G. General Fund Court, Cintas Corp, Various Invoices, \$511.60
 H. Various Funds, R & D Construction 1 Inc., Invoice #251106, \$200,000.00
- I. 2016 Taxable G.O. Bond Debt Svc. Fund, Argent Institutional Trust Company, Invoice #75967, \$500.00
- J. Various Funds, M&J Underground Inc., Pay Request #4 Burr Street Reconstruction, \$654,479.21
- K. Cumulative Capital Development Fund, American Legal Publishing, Supplemental Pages, \$5,111.10
- L. Cable TV Fund, Advanced Engineering Services, Testing Services, \$5,321.00 M. Various Funds, Auto Wares, Parts, \$21,186.87 N. Various Funds, Unifirst, Clothing & Towels, \$1,083.25

- O. Various Funds, Menards, Parts/Supplies, \$2,638.14
- P. Various Funds, Strack's, Supplies, \$275.87
- Q. Park Dist. Bonds 2018, Ann Bernard Construction, Novo Selo Playground, \$27,200.00
- R. Park Dist. Bonds 2018, Landscape Structures, Playground, \$66,366.99
- S. Cable TV Fund, RAL Landscaping, Tree Planting, \$15,800.00 T. Various Funds, Misc. Vendors, Refunds, \$2,249.29

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

Fire Chief Patterson reported for the month of October 2025 their Fire Department responded to 261 EMS related calls and 70 fire related calls, for a total of 331 calls.

Mr. Nondorf reported that every year there were two parts for the CCMG, parts one and two. The Council approved 2025-1, which will be done in 2026. Mr. Nondorf stated that they just put in for 22 road segments and named the subdivisions and roads that they put in for. He stated that this work will be performed in 2026 if approved by the state, which we should hear something by December, along with the 2027 road segments that were already approved earlier this year.

Mr. Nondorf reported on Burr Street Reconstruction Project. He stated that the curb work has been completed except for one residential driveway across from the American Legion. He stated that 13 new trees were planted last week on Friday and Saturday. The remaining stone base will be added,

hopefully by the end of the week and they are set to start binder and paving next Wednesday. Mr. Nondorf stated he spoke with the Construction Superintendent today and they will start the asphalt work on Wednesday.

Mr. Nondorf stated that Mr. Gorman, Mr. Hansen and himself appeared before the Little Calumet Advisory Board, there was a funding opportunity through them and we submitted for \$140,000.00 to add the three storm water stations to the new water department SCADA system. Mr. Nondorf stated that they did a presentation and are looking for a 50% match from the Little Calumet Advisory Board. He stated that their share would be \$70,000.00, the Town would pay 25% (\$35,000.00) and the Lake County Drainage or the Surveyor's office would cover the other 25% (\$35,000.00).

Mr. Gorman stated that he has one report, but is going to call on Mr. Troxell, Clerk Treasurer to talk about the Insurance Premium Holiday. Mr. Troxell stated that AIM Medical Trust, which is our insurance carrier for our Health Insurance for our employees has collected excess cash reserves that were not needed. He stated that AIM Medical Trust is giving every municipality that is in the trust (76 municipalities) a Premium Holiday for the month of November for our Medical premiums. He stated that no employee will be charged any premiums for the month of November. In addition to that, with the Council's approval, Mr. Troxell would also like to waive the vision and dental, for the employees, which totals \$1,200.00.

Mr. Johnson made a motion to approve waiving the dental and vision premium for employees for the month of November 2025, seconded by Mr. Connelly. All in favor (5-0).

Mr. Troxell stated that this is the second time that AIM Medical Trust has been giving a Premium Holiday. The first one was in January 2021.

Mr. Guetzloff stated he would like to thank Mr. Nondorf and the crews that drove all night cleaning the streets, the weather was very bad that night. Mr. Nondorf stated that there are some mailboxes down and we are working on getting them fixed so that the residents can get their mail.

THEREUPON, Public Comments Regarding Agenda Items NONE

THEREUPON, Old Business

ITEM A. Ord. #2031, An Ordinance Amending the Miscellaneous Town Police Department Fee Schedules for Release of Towed Vehicles and Unclaimed Vehicles, Repealing Town Ordinances No. 1688 and Town Ordinance No. 1993, and all Matters Related Hereto

(Second Reading)

Mr. Hansen stated that this is the second reading of this Ordinance; it comes from the Board of Safety with a 5-0 recommendation. Mr. Hansen stated that it raises the tow release fee from \$40.00 to \$50.00 and also does the same for unclaimed vehicle fee.

Mr. Schmitt made a motion to adopt Ordinance #2031 on second reading, seconded by Mr. Connelly. All in favor (5-0).

ITEM B. Ord. #2032, An Ordinance Amending Fees for Police Department Incident Reports, Accident Reports, Photographs, Vehicle Identification Number Checks, and Electronic Captured Information, and Repealing Town Ordinance No. 1533 and Town Ordinance No. 1713, and all Matters Related Thereto.

(Second Reading)

Mr. Hansen stated that this is the second reading. This Ordinance raises all of the miscellaneous fees; accident reports, photographs, audio and videos. He stated that this mostly pertains to the new body camera footage and vehicle footage as well.

Mr. Schmitt made a motion to adopt Ordinance #2032 on second reading, seconded by Mr. Connelly. All in favor (5-0).

ITEM C. Ord. #2033, An Ordinance Repealing Ordinance No. 1266, Ordinance No. 1266A, Ordinance No. 1266B, Ordinance No. 1578, Ordinance No. 1578A, Ordinance No. 1608, Ordinance No. 1608A, Ordinance No. 1726, Ordinance No. 1750, Ordinance No. 1925, Ordinance No. 1933, Ordinance No. 1956 and Ordinance No. 1956A of the Town of Schererville And Replacing the Same by Adopting and Establishing a Personnel Policy for the Town of Schererville, Lake County, Indiana (Second Reading)

 $\,$ Mr. Gorman stated that this was also on the agenda last month and we are just looking for an adoption of the Personnel Policy.

Mr. Connelly made a motion to adopt Ordinance #2033 on second reading, seconded by Mr. Schmitt. All in favor (5-0).

THEREUPON, New Business

ITEM A. Ord. #2034, An Ordinance Providing for Reduction in Appropriations in Administration - Other Equipment And Park Non-Reverting Community Events of the Town Of Schererville for year 2025, and all Matters Related Thereto

Mr. Troxell stated that Ordinance #2034 is an Ordinance providing for reduction in appropriations in Administration, other equipment and Park Non-Reverting Community Events of the Town of Schererville for 2025. He stated that the DLG recommends making these reductions of appropriated funds that will be unused in a budget year that's appropriated. Mr. Troxell stated that the process ensures transparency and compliance with State laws and fiscal management guidelines. Once passed by the Council, the ordinance will then be uploaded to the Department of Local Government Gateway portal to complete the process. Mr. Troxell stated that this was advertised in the paper regarding this reduction and we are following the same protocol that we would for additional appropriations. Mr. Troxell stated that by reducing these appropriations now out of the budget for the next six weeks, it would help our 2026 budget.

Mr. Troxell stated that Senate Enrolled Act 1 is affecting every taxing entity in Indiana and we are looking for some reductions here, so this will help with our budget process for next year when the DLGF reviews everything in December.

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 $1^{\rm st}$ reading, Ordinance #2034, seconded by Mr. Johnson. All in favor (5-0).

Mr. Connelly made a motion to adopt Ordinance #2034, seconded by Mr. Johnson. All in favor (5-0).

ITEM B. Ord. #2035, An Ordinance Regarding Regulations, Installation and Use of Automatic and Manual Alarm Systems in the Town of Schererville, Lake County, Indiana, Repealing Town Ordinance No. 977, town Ordinance No. 1083, Town Ordinance No. 1211, and Town Ordinance No. 1385A, and All Matters Related Thereto

Mr. Hansen stated that the next few ordinances relate to miscellaneous fees in the Town that have not been reviewed in quite some time. He stated that they are going through reviewing them and bringing them up to today's standards and trying to simplify them. Mr. Hansen stated that this Ordinances relates to technology changes as well as fee changes for the Police Department alarm systems, to reflect the current cost of running that.

Mr. Schmitt made a motion to consider on $1^{\rm st}$ reading, Ordinance #2035, seconded by Mr. Johnson. All in favor (5-0).

Mr. Johnson made a motion to adopt Ordinance #2035, seconded by Mr. Connelly. All in favor (5-0).

ITEM C. Ord. #2036, An Ordinance Amending Town Zoning Ordinance No. 2004, as Amended, the Same Being an Ordinance Classifying, Regulating, and Redistricting The Location, Height, Area, Bulk and Use of Buildings And Structures and the Use of Land in the Town of Schererville, and for Said Purposes, Dividing the Town into Districts, and all Matters Related Thereto

Plan Commission Case #25-11-21

Petitioner(s): Town of Schererville-James M. Gorman

Town Manager

Location: 143 W. Joliet Street

Rezone from Residential (R-2) to Industrial Zoning District (INST) Classification Plan Commission Favorable Recommendation 6-0

Mr. Gorman stated that this is a rezone of parts of the properties that we bought over the last several years. He stated that this one in particular is right along Joliet Street. (Mr. Hansen pointed out on the screen the area that Mr. Gorman is talking about). Mr. Gorman stated that there used to be a house there, we tore the house down and that is currently zoned R-2. He stated that in order to put a Fire Station there like we plan on doing, this parcel has to be zoned Institutional.

Mr. Schmitt made a motion to consider on $1^{\rm st}$ reading, Ordinance #2036, seconded by Mr. Connelly.

Mr. Jonson stated that he has been opposed to this location for the Fire Station. He stated that he thinks this is not an appropriate location and it is not an appropriate expenditure at this time. Mr. Johnson stated he thinks it is a process that we shouldn't be going through currently.

Motion carries (4-1) Mr. Johnson voting no.

ITEM D. Ord. #2037, An Ordinance Amending Town Zoning
Ordinance No. 2004, as Amended, the Same Being an
Ordinance Classifying, Regulating, and Redistricting
The Location, Height, Area, Bulk and Use of Buildings
And Structures and the Use of Land in the Town of
Schererville, and for Said Purposes, Dividing the
Town into Districts, and all Matters Related Thereto

Plan Commission Case #25-11-22

 $\label{eq:petitioner} \mbox{Petitioner(s): Town of Schererville-James M. Gorman}$

Town Manager

Location: 0.370 Acre Parcel East of 149 Joliet Street and South of Joliet Street

Rezone from Residential (R-2) to Institutional Zoning District (INST) Classification Plan Commission Favorable Recommendation 6-0

Mr. Hansen pointed out on the screen this particular parcel. Mr. Gorman stated that it is just south of 135 Joliet Street. It was also zoned R-2 and we would like to rezone this parcel to Institutional. Mr. Gorman explained that once we get this completed, then they will do a one-lot subdivision through the Plan Commission to make these lots a one-lot subdivision.

Mr. Schmitt made a motion to consider on $1^{\rm st}$ reading, Ordinance #2037, seconded by Mrs. Arvanitis. Motion carries 4-1) Mr. Johnson voting no.

ITEM E. Ord. #2038, An Ordinance Amending Town Ordinance No. 1836, Being: "An Ordinance Establishing and Adopting a Fee Schedule for the Town of Schererville Lake County, Indiana, Community Center", Repealing All Ordinances and Town Code Sections, or Portions Thereof, in Conflict Herewith, and all Matters Related Thereto

Mr. Hansen stated that the next three ordinances are all related to the Parks Department. He stated that this one is amending the Community Center rental fees to cover costs while still being competitive with the surrounding Towns. Mr. Hansen stated that the Parks Department did a study to come up with these new amounts that are being proposed.

Mr. Schmitt made a motion to consider on $1^{\rm st}$ reading, Ordinance #2038, seconded by Mr. Connelly. All in favor (3-0).

Mr. Connelly made a motion to adopt Ordinance #2038, seconded by Mr. Johnson. All in favor (5-0).

ITEM F. Ord. #2039, An Ordinance of the Town Council of Schererville, Lake County, Indiana, Amending Ordinance No. 1948, Being: "An Ordinance of the Town Council of Schererville, Lake County, Indiana Amending the Shelter, Athletic Field, and Mobile Band Shell Rental Procedures and Fees, as Well as Hours of Parks and Public Restroom Facilities Availability in the Town of Schererville, Lake County, Indiana, Repealing all Ordinances and Town Code Sections, or Portions thereof, in Conflict Herewith, and all Matters Related Hereto", Repealing all Ordinances and Town Code Sections or Portions Thereof, in Conflict Herewith and all Matters Related Thereto

Mr. Hansen stated that this is for the shelter and athletic field fees. Again, the Park Department compared it to surrounding Towns.

Mr. Johnson made a motion to consider on $1^{\rm st}$ reading, Ordinance #2039, seconded by Mr. Connelly.

Mr. Johnson made a motion to adopt Ordinance #2039, seconded by Mr. Connelly. All in favor (5-0).

ITEM G. Ord. #2040, An Ordinance Amending Town Ordinance No. 1589, Being: "An Ordinance Establishing an Activities Fee Schedule for the Town Department of Parks and Recreation, and all Matters Related Thereto", and Repealing all Town Code Sections or Town Ordinances Or Parts Thereof, in Conflict Herewith

Mr. Hansen stated that this is for the Parks Department, it is amending the activities fees to reflect the current costs of operating. He stated that it also removes some of the older programs that are no longer being utilized.

Mr. Connelly made a motion to consider on $1^{\rm st}$ reading, Ordinance #2040, seconded by Mrs. Arvanitis. All in favor (5-0)

Mr. Connelly made a motion to adopt Ordinance #2040, seconded by Mrs. Arvanitis. All in favor (5-0).

ITEM H. Consider Release of 2-year Maintenance Surety and Issue Certificates of Release for the following:

Burr Ridge Subdivision, Phase 2, in the amount of \$63,200.00 Burr Ridge Subdivision, Phase 2, in the amount of \$75,204.80 Burr Ridge Subdivision, Phase 4, in the amount of \$434,494.70 Burr Ridge Subdivision, Phase 5, in the amount of \$140,635.00 Burr Ridge Subdivision, Phase 5, in the amount of \$12,785.00

Mr. Gorman stated that the Public Works Department, mainly Mr. Nondorf and Robinson Engineering completed the final inspections. He stated that all punch list items were complete, so it is appropriate at this time to release the bonds on everything and close this project. He stated that we own the streets, sewers, water, etc.

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

ITEM I. Consider Approval of Purchase Property Located at 80 Kennedy Avenue, Schererville, IN from Pedro and Samara Batista in the Amount of \$32,800.00 (Land and Temporary Easement) and to Authorize the Town Manager Director of Operations, Clerk-Treasurer and Town Attorney to Finalize Execution of Documents (Phase 3 Parcel 14) (Kennedy Avenue Improvement Project)

Mr. Hansen stated that this is for Kennedy Avenue Phase 3, Parcel 14. He stated that the amount of \$41,300.00 was based on the appraisal and a supplemental amount based on comparable properties in the area. Mr. Hansen stated that this is purchasing right-of-way and temporary right-of-way for the Kennedy Avenue expansion.

Mr. Johnson stated that their agenda says \$32,800.00 and you just said \$41,300.00. After Mr. Hansen confirmed, the total amount is \$41,300.00.

Mr. Schmitt made a motion to approve the purchase of property at 80 Kennedy Avenue, seconded by Mrs. Arvanitis. All in favor (5-0).

ITEM J. Consider Release of a Portion of the Cash Surety and Implement the Two (2) Year Maintenance Surety for Crew Car Wash - a Re-Subdivision of Lot1, Lowe's Subdivision

Mr. Gorman stated that Public Works performed an inspection and a release of \$15,066.85 of the cash surety for public improvement installation and to implement the two-year maintenance surety is appropriate at this time.

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

ITEM K. Consider Acceptance of Northfolk Southern License Agreement for Proposed Relocation of an Existing Unlicensed 12-inch Encased PVC Water Line, in an 18-inch Steel Casing Pipe (due to a Future Grade-Separation Bridge), Authorize the Director of Operations to Sign the Agreement, and Authorize the Town Manager, Director of Operations, Clerk-Treasurer And Town Attorney to Finalize Execution of Documents And Submit Payment for \$14,675.00 (Kennedy Avenue Improvement Project) (From the Waterworks Board Agenda)

Mrs. Arvanitis made a motion to approve, seconded by Mr. Schmitt. All in favor (5-0).

ITEM L. Consider Acceptance of Northfolk Southern License Agreement for Proposed Relocation of an Existing Sewer (due to a Future Grade-Separation Bridge), Authorize the Director Operations to Sign the Agreement, and Authorize the Town Manager, Director Of Operations, Clerk-Treasurer and Town Attorney To Finalize Execution of Documents and Submit Payment for approximately \$17,000.00 (Kennedy Avenue Improvement Project) (From Utility Board Agenda)

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

ITEM M. Consider Acceptance of Engagement Letter with LWG CPAs to Study Emergency Vehicle Service Rates and Charges in an Amount Not-to-Exceed \$12,000.00

Mr. Hansen stated that this will allow London Witte Group to do a financial analysis of the ambulance fees assessed by the Schererville Fire Department to make sure costs incurred are being covered by the assessed rates and make any recommendations for changes as needed. Mr. Hansen stated that the last time this was done was is 2019, so before COVID. He stated that the cost from COVID until now have changed drastically, so they are not covering the costs for this. Mr. Hansen stated that this will also help along with Senate Enrolled Act One.

Mr. Troxell stated that this is a cost of service study. They will analyze all of the information that our Fire Department does regarding an ambulance call and factor those in to see if our rates are current or if they need to be increased. Mr. Troxell stated that if there's justification for an increase, then it will come before the Council to recommend those increases.

Mr. Schmitt made a motion to accept the Engagement Letter with LWG, seconded by Mrs. Arvanitis. All in favor (5-0).

ITEM N. Consider Variance of Use to Allow a Baseball and Softball Training Facility within the U.S. 41 Commercial Corridor Overly District

Board of Zoning Appeals Case #25-10-15
Petitioner(s): S.E. Hamilton Enterprises, LLC Sean Hamilton

Location: 815 Willowbrook Drive - Boulevard Square, Lot 1

BZA Favorable Recommendation - 4-0 (10-27-25 Meeting)

Mr. Gorman stated that the Baseball Training Facility had a section of the old Ashley Furniture and then Floor and Décor came in and bought the building. Mr. Gorman stated that there was an opening in another building, the Old Menards, so they are going in there. He stated that it is a much better

facility, it's more appropriate for what they have and the business they're trying to run. Mr. Gorman stated that it is a very good plan that they went through but we do not allow baseball training facilities, so that is why they had to go in front of the BZA.

Mr. Schmitt made a motion to approve the Variance, seconded by Mr. Johnson. All in favor (5-0).

ITEM O. Consider Acceptance of Change Order #1 from Milestone Contractors North, Inc. for the Community Crossings Matching Grant 2024-1 Project In the **Credit** Amount of \$29,315.60

Mr. Hansen stated that this is a balancing order for Milestone Contractors North, Inc., for Community Crossings match grant 2024-1 project. He stated that this is a balancing order that we need to prepare to send to INDOT so we can final out this project.

Mr. Johnson made a motion to accept Change Order #1, seconded by Mr. Connelly. All in favor (5-0).

ITEM P. Consider Donation to Schererville Baseball League In the Amount of \$1,000.00

Mr. Gorman stated that this is the same amount that was requested last year and is going to be used for equipment, uniforms, umpires, baseballs and indoor training in the winter.

 $\mbox{Mr.}$ Schmitt made a motion to approve the donation, seconded by $\mbox{Mr.}$ Johnson for discussion.

Mr. Johnson stated that he just wants to make sure that this is a donation to Schererville Baseball League, not a donation to an individual team in the Schererville Baseball League.

Mr. Gorman stated that that is who the check is made out to, but he believes it is for one individual team. It used to be Schererville Shock, but they changed their name to Top Tier. Mr. Johnson stated that he thinks this is a bad precedent to make a donation to an individual team. He said every single team in the Town of Schererville should get the same donation. Mr. Johnson stated that he thinks this is inappropriate for us to do.

 $\mbox{Mr.}$ Guetzloff asked $\mbox{Mr.}$ Johnson if he is withdrawing your second. $\mbox{Mr.}$ Johnson stated yes.

Mr. Schmitt made a motion to approve the donations, seconded by Mrs. Arvanitis. Motion carries (4-1) Mr. Johnson voting no.

ITEM Q. Consider Donation to $Logan's\ Love\ -\ Logan\ Speaks$ In the Amount of \$500.00

Mr. Gorman stated that this is a new donation request for \$500.00. He stated that if you have any questions related to this donation request, there is somebody here that can speak of it.

Mr. Schmitt made a motion to approve the donation, seconded by Mrs. Arvanitis. All in favor (5-0).

ITEM R. Consider Acceptance of Donations \$3,409.39

Mr. Troxell read the In-kind donations and the monetary donations for the month of October into the record.

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

Mr. Ira Zimmer, 1720 South Park Avenue, Schererville, stated that he went to the Planning Commission meeting on November 3rd on a new fire station you would like to build up here by the water tower on Anna Street, and it is going to run out on Joliet Street. Mr. Zimmer stated that Mr. Gorman talked about the fact that you are going to place it there because he did a feasibility study 10 years ago. He stated that he doesn't think Joliet Street was going to be closed off in the plan. Mr. Zimmer stated you should probably consider a new feasibility study and the effects it's going to have since they're not going to be able to run west very quickly. Mr. Zimmer stated he doesn't know what is wrong with our other fire department stations. He stated he does not know why you cannot utilize them the way they have been used. Mr. Zimmer stated that he has not heard or seen anything that said that a building burnt down in Schererville because of the placement of the fire stations. Mr. Zimmer stated he thinks the Council ought to reconsider a new station, it's a lot of money.

Christina Vlamakis, 1707 Susan Drive, Schererville, stated that she is here on behalf of Logan's Love to thank the Council for your donation. She stated they appreciate it very much. Mrs. Vlamakis stated that while she is here she would like to bring up an issue in her subdivision. She stated she lives on the corner of Susan Drive and James Wittchen and the school bus picks up her boys right around the corner and every single day people just blow through that stop sign. She stated that it happens daily. She suggested maybe getting those lights that light up the stop sign.

 $\,$ Mr. Guetzloff stated that they will let the Chief know about this. Mr. Gorman stated that he knows exactly where she is talking about.

Mr. Colin Zackavec, secretary for the Schererville Firefighters Union Local 4279. He stated that everyone knows Station #1 that is currently sitting at 1650 South Cline Avenue is not suitable for where they are at. He stated that the station was built back in the 70's or 80's and that it was meant for a volunteer department at the time, maybe having two to three people there. They are currently staffing four out of there; he stated that their minimum staffing is six. When they are at seven there is usually three to four people there. He stated that Station #1 also includes the administration building that's attached to it. Mr. Zackavec stated that the station is not sufficient for our growth that they need a new station. He stated that yes, there is a brand new station #3, but unfortunately that is not staffed at all times, but a new central station that can accommodate the growth that we are expecting, especially with the new subdivision that's going down south and the new subdivision that is being built off of Burr Street. He stated that 25 years ago they were told that we would be getting a new station. He stated that was before his time. He stated that at Station #1, the heat cannot keep up in the winter. The air conditioning can't keep up in the summer, this year there were multiple times Station #1's AC gave out and they had to move their operations over to Station #3, so Station #1 is not sufficient.

Mr. Zackavec stated that on December 6th they are having their food drive for St. John Township. He stated that he spoke to Cathy LaRue personally and she said she has had a large increase in demands for the food pantry. He stated that the government shutdown is slowly coming to an end, but that disruption in the benefits and everything else has caused a larger need in the community. He stated if anyone is available to help or is able to make a donation, food, dry goods to contact him. He stated that it is on December 6th from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in the Strack's parking lot.

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Meeting adjourned.

ROB GUETZLOFF
TOWN COUNCIL PRESIDENT

MICHAEL A TROXELL, IAMCA, MMC, ACPFIM, CPFA, CMO TOWN CLERK-TREASURER

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