

The Regular Town Council Meeting of the Town of Schererville, IN was called to order by President Rob Guetzloff at 7:10 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, Deputy Fire Chief David Meyer, Police Chief Pete Sormaz, Park Superintendent John Novacich, Town Engineer Neil Simstad, Director of Public Works Andy Hansen, Director of Operations James Gorman, Town Manager Robert Volkmann, Clerk-Treasurer Michael Troxell and Recording Secretary Robin Thiel.

Mr. Johnson stated he would like to make a motion to amend the agenda to add an agenda item. Agenda item F would be to consider and move forward with a negotiations or the RFP Process with the Lake County Economic Alliance on the Illiana Property, seconded by Mr. Connelly. All in favor (5-0).

Mr. Johnson stated that this would make the current Item F on the agenda be Item G.

THEREUPON, Approval of the minutes. Mr. Schmitt made a motion to approve the minutes of the June 9, 2021 Public Meeting, seconded by Mr. Connelly. All in favor (5-0).

THEREUPON, Claims

- A. APV #97009 - APV #97619 on the General Docket, Totaling \$2,276,097.56
- B. APV #97016 - APV #97615 on the MVH Docket, Totaling \$132,765.44
- C. Various Funds, First National Bank of Omaha, June Credit Card Charges, \$17,870.24
- D. General Fund - Animal Control, Crossroads Animal Hospital, June Invoices, \$613.12
- E. Various Funds, Austgen Kuiper Jasaitis, June Legal, \$14,998.96
- F. Various Funds, Enterprise Fleet, Monthly Lease, \$3,346.64
- G. Park Non-Reverting Fund, Walmart, Miscellaneous June Supplies, \$1,229.60
- H. General Fund - Police, Cintas, June Cleanings, \$2,070.10
- I. Park Non-Reverting Fund, Leann Stutler, Schererville Market Entertainment, \$200.00
- J. Park Non-Reverting Fund, Mike Green, Various Schererville Market's Entertainment, \$500.00
- K. Park Non-Reverting Fund, David Blixt, Schererville Market Entertainment, \$175.00
- L. Non-Reverting Fund, Steven Roth, Party In The Park Entertainment, \$500.00
- M. Park Non-Reverting Fund, John Cunningham, Various Schererville Market's Entertainment, \$400.00
- N. Various Funds, Walmart, June Supplies, \$1,662.84
- O. Various Funds, R&R Yard Design, Town Mowing, \$4,767.00
- P. Various Funds, R&R Yard Design, Town Mowing, \$4,024.00
- Q. Various Funds, R&R Yard Design, Town Mowing, \$4,227.00
- R. Various Funds, Great Lakes Landscaping, April-Town Mowing, \$3,405.00
- S. Various Funds, Great Lakes Landscaping, May-Town Mowing, \$7,985.00
- T. Park Non-Reverting Fund, Region Royalty, Princess Event, \$60.00
- U. Various Funds, Mileston Contractors, Cold Patch, \$2,122.00
- V. Various Funds, Petroleum Traders, June Gasoline, \$20,989.40
- W. Various Funds, T&M Tire, Tires, \$1,500.75
- X. Cum Cap Improvement Fund, Strypes, Vehicle Lettering, \$2,625.00

Mr. Troxell stated he has an additional claim.

- Y. Various Funds, Insperity Business Services LP, Annual Contract For our Time Clock Support. \$2,925.00

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

THEREUPON, Correspondence NONE

THEREUPON, Reports

Fire Chief Patterson stated for the month of June the Fire Department responded to a total of 288 EMS calls and 58 Fire Calls, for a total of 346 calls. Chief Patterson stated that Fire Station 3 is moving forward, hopefully they will be pouring the floor for the Bay area this week.

Police Chief Sormaz stated that the Schererville Police Department is hosting its 16th Annual National Night Out Campaign on Tuesday, August 3, 2021 at Redar Park, between the hours of 5:00 pm and 9:00 pm.

Mr. Novacich stated that the month of July will be a busy month at Redar Park. He stated Hocus Pocus and Movie in the Park on July 23rd. He stated that they are still accepting candy donations. Mr. Novacich stated that the Schererville Chamber Corn Roast will be Friday, July 30th and the Northwest Indiana Sympathy will be on Saturday, July 31st. Mr. Novacich stated that the Craft Show will be held at the Community Center on July 31st, from 9:00 am - 3:00 pm. Mr. Novacich stated that next week they are hosting the National Softball Association World Series at Rohrman Park. That will run Thursday - Sunday. Mr. Novacich thanked the Police Department, Fire Department and Public Works Department for helping out with these events.

Mr. Connelly stated that at the June Town Council meeting they voted to make a contribution to Schererville Baseball. He stated that when he made that motion, he included a stipulation that the organization would have to wait three years before they could come to the Council again to make another request. Mr. Connelly stated in hindsight he would like to remove that three year stipulation, because they may have a need that we should consider.

Mr. Connelly made a motion to remove the three year waiting period, seconded by Mr. Johnson. All in favor (5-0).

Mr. Guetzloff stated he would like to take the opportunity to thank Chief Patterson and Chief Sormaz and their staff, also the Public Works Department for taking care of the Kiddie Parade on the 4th of July.

THEREUPON, Public Comments Regarding Agenda Items NONE

THEREUPON, Old Business NONE

THEREUPON, New Business

ITEM A. Res. #2021-10, A Resolution to Transfer Funds within a Category of Appropriations

Mr. Troxell explained the Transfer of Funds. Mr. Connelly made a motion to adopt Resolution #2021-10, seconded by Mr. Johnson. All in favor (5-0).

ITEM B. Ord. #985J, An Ordinance of the Town of Schererville, Lake County, Indiana, Amending Town Ordinance No. 985F, Adopted on the 8th Day of May 2013, and as Thereafter Amended by Town Ordinance Nos. 985G, 985H, 985I, Pertaining to Transport, Ambulance Services and Trauma Policy for the Town of Schererville, Lake County, Indiana, Metropolitan Fire Department Ambulance Service, Repealing all Ordinances and Town Code Sections, or Portions Thereof, in Conflict Herewith, and all Matters Related Thereto

Mr. Gorman stated that this is an update to the current Ordinance that contains the fee schedule pertaining to Transport of Ambulance services and Trauma Policies. Mr. Gorman stated that this is based on a report from our Financial Advisors.

Mr. Johnson asked Mr. Gorman when the study was done and who did the study.

Mr. Gorman stated that London Witte did the study. He stated that the last time fees were updated was 2013.

Mr. Connelly made a motion to consider on 1st reading, Ordinance #1985J, seconded by Mr. Johnson. All in favor (5-0).

Mr. Johnson made a motion to adopt Ordinance #985J, seconded by Mr. Connelly. All in favor (5-0).

ITEM C. Ord. #1970, An Ordinance Amending Town Zoning Ordinance No. 1797, as Amended, the Same Being an Ordinance Classifying, Regulating, and Restricting 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 #21-7-13
Petitioner(s): Robert J. Delco Trust
Location: 1419 - 1535 Junction Avenue
Rezone from Industrial (R-2) to Business Park (B.P.)
Plan Commission Favorable Recommendation 6-0
(July 12, 2021 Meeting)

Mr. Gorman stated that this property is just north of the Town Hall right on Junction Avenue. He stated that it was zoned R-2. Mr. Delco went before the Plan Commission to have that rezoned. Mr. Gorman stated that Mr. Delco and his Engineer Mr. Rettig are here this evening. Mr. Gorman stated that Mr. Delco plans on coming in to give us a plan on what he plans on building there. Mr. Gorman stated the initial plan was for buildings with offices in the front and some storage space in the back.

Mr. Rettig, Engineer, representing Mr. Delco for the project stated they would like to build office warehouse buildings on that property. He stated that there is a lot of flood plains in those 9-10 acres but they would like to use the frontage along Junction for nice buildings, two driveways, one driveway for two buildings, two different locations.

Mr. Schmitt made a motion to adopt Ordinance #1970, and to include the Finding of Facts of the Plan Commission, seconded by Mr. Connelly. All in favor (5-0).

ITEM D. Consider Variance of Use to Allow a Retail Pet Shop

Board of Zoning Case #21-6-10
Petitioner(s): Happiness Is Pets - Jon Berning/Chris Berning
Location: 1525 US 41, Suite C-34 - The Crossroads, Lot 2
BZA Favorable Recommendation - 3-0 (June 28, 2021 Meeting)

Mr. Gorman stated that this petitioner was in front of the BZA last year, they approved it and they came before the Town Council, which the Council approved, but because of COVID and certain conditions that the petitioners had to go through they paused it. Mr. Gorman stated that they came before the BZA last month and presented it. He stated that nothing has changed, the building is next to Walmart, which is the old Payless Shoes.

Mr. Schmitt made a motion to approve BZA Case #21-6-10 and to include the records that were sent to the Council by the BZA, including the Findings of Fact and the certification, seconded by Mr. Johnson. Roll call vote: Mr. Johnson - Yes; Mr. Connelly - Yes; Mr. Schmitt - Yes; Mrs. Arvanitis - No; Mr. Guetzloff - Yes. Motion carries (4-1).

ITEM E. Award Bid for Community Crossing Grant 2021-1

Mr. Simstad stated that they have the recommendation for the award of the 2021-1 Community Crossing Matching Grant Award from INDOT. He stated that they opened bids yesterday, July 13th, he

stated there were four bids on this project. Mr. Simstad stated that the submitted cost on the application was \$825,366.21. He stated that the four bids arrange from \$783,307.08 to \$967,715.27. He stated that all bidders did submit the required bid security. Mr. Simstad stated that the recommendation based on the lowest most responsive and responsible bidder is to Milestone Contractors North in the amount of \$783,307.08.

Mr. Schmitt asked Mr. Hansen to explain the money we were awarded. Mr. Hansen stated that we were awarded \$412,000.00, he stated that we won't receive all of that because the bid came in under. He stated that the Town will pay one half of the \$783,207.08.

Mr. Schmitt made a motion to award the bid to Milestone Construction North for \$783,307.08, seconded by Mr. Connelly.

Mr. Johnson asked Mr. Simstad if Milestone Contractors North is a contractor we have dealt with in the past. Mr. Simstad stated yes, he has been working with them since 1995 and the Town has been dealing with them long before that.

All in favor (5-0).

ITEM F. Illiana Speedway Property

Mr. Johnson made a motion to approve the staff to move forward with the Lake Council Economic Alliance to prepare for publication and distribution of an RFP for the Illiana Speedway Business Park project that has been authorized, seconded by Mr. Connelly. All in favor (5-0).

ITEM G. Consider acceptance of Donations for \$35,582.36

Mr. Troxell stated most of these donations are for National Night Out. He stated that there are over 100 donations. Mr. Troxell asked that those donations be added to the minutes.

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

THEREUPON, Business from the floor NONE

Meeting adjourned.

ROB GUETZLOFF
TOWN COUNCIL PRESIDENT

MICHAEL A TROXELL, CMO
TOWN CLERK-TREASURER

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DONATIONS ACCEPTANCE - 6/30/2021

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<u>DONATION FUND -ANIMAL CONTROL</u>			
	BARB GRAY/BETTY ALLEN - IN REMEMBRANCE TARA PARKS		100.00
	MICHAEL AND DEBORAH MACKI-EXPENSES FOR MANDI AT ANIMAL CONTROL		30.00
		TOTAL ANIMAL CONTROL DONATIONS	130.00
<u>DONATIONS - COMBINED POLICE AND FIRE</u>			
	LOWE'S HOME CENTER - VARIOUS IN-KIND DONATIONS: COVID-19 SANITIZATION AND SAFETY PRECAUTION ITEMS INCLUDING MASKS AND HAND SANITIZER PRODUCTS		10,952.36
		TOTAL IN-KIND POLICE/FIRE DONATIONS	10,952.36
<u>DONATION FUND - NATIONAL NIGHT OUT</u>			
	MODERN HEATING AND COOLING, INC		100.00
	ATLAS CONSTRUCTION & ROOFING IBC		50.00
	STERBA & SWOOP, LLP		100.00
	BLACK ICE SEALCOATING		75.00
	HOUSE OF CARS US 30 LLC		150.00
	PANGIOTIS EFSTATHIUO		100.00
	GREAT LAKES LANDSCAPE MGMT, INC		100.00
	ANDREW ESFAKIS DBA ECONOMY PAVING		100.00
	CAPRI PIZZA OF SCHERERVILLE		200.00
	ATLAS WORLD CLASWS BODY SHOP, INC		50.00
	GREEN ROOM REPTILES		25.00
	M&T DAIRY TREATS LLC DBA DAIRY BELLE		100.00
	IMPORT AUTO GROUP INC		100.00
	21ST CENTURY CONTRACTORS, INC		100.00
	LIGHTHOUSE AUTO BODY		100.00
	GREAT LAKES WELDING SUPPLY		150.00
	ANTHONY BARUSO (ANTHONY CARLO FINE FURNISHING)		75.00
	MARY BETH CAFFARELLI/CRAIG WIBERG		50.00
	STAN'S BODY SHOP AND TOWING		100.00
	OLTHOF HOMES LLC		500.00
	TOM & ED'S AUTOBODY		250.00
	GIGA LTD		500.00
	TOBACCO ISLAND 3 INC		100.00
	KALI BEAUTY 46375 INC		150.00
	THOMAS W. DANIELS & CO., PC		50.00
	FIVE STAR THAI CUISINE, INC		200.00
	EARL'S HEATING & AIR CONDITIONING, INC		100.00
	HARBER INDUSTRAILS INC		100.00
	HOOSIER INSURANCE AGENCY		250.00
	REEVES FENCE SERVICES INC		100.00
	LUM EXTENTION BAR & SALON LLC		100.00
	KALINOWSKI INSURNACE AGENCY INC		25.00
	E/J FINANCIAL & COMPUTER SERVICES		50.00
	MY NAIL LOUNGE INC		25.00
	GJGG INC DBA GREG'S PLACE		200.00
	K & C PROPERTY		50.00
	MI-BOX NWI		50.00
	IZZY AUTO DETAILING INC		100.00
	MCINNIS AUTOMOTIVE SERVICE, INC		300.00
	MIDWEST INSURANCE CENTER		100.00
	SYLVIO GIANNINI CEMENT WORK INC		50.00
	DR TORIE'S DENTAL SHOPPE PC		100.00
	HELIX EYE CARE PC		50.00
	CEDAR POINT CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION		100.00
	ALTERNATIVE ENERGY SOLUTIONS LTD		100.00
	TEIBEL'S FAMILY RESTAURANT		100.00
	GATHERING OF NORTHWEST INDIANA		100.00
	REICHELTL PLUMBING INC		100.00
	KAJC HOSPITALITY LLC DBA HOLIDAY INN		100.00
	ADVANCED MEDICAL PLACEMENT CONSULTANTS LLC		25.00
	MCKINLEY LODGE #712 F&AM		100.00
	KENNEDY METAL PRODUCTS INC		100.00
	LISS BODY & PAINT CARSTAR		200.00
	D.C. JONES ENGINEERING LLC		100.00

BEAUTYGUARD BUILDING PRODUCTS		50.00
THE REJUVENATION HOUSE MEDI SPA		100.00
ROUND THE CLOCK		100.00
KROPP EQUIPMENT INC		100.00
CLIFF'S HEATING		100.00
B & D SEWER		250.00
ZELS LLC		25.00
VANIS INC		100.00
SCHERERVILLE BMW		1,000.00
MIKAEL/SHERRI SAMBOR		25.00
MOTOREX AUTO SALES		100.00
TRAVEL PLACE		50.00
ORTEGA INCORPORATED/DBA PEPE'S OF SCHERERVILLE		100.00
GREEN ACRES IRONWORKS		100.00
GRANITE MASTERS INC		100.00
ALL AROUND SOUND INC		100.00
RISTICH ASPHALT PAVING INC		100.00
STRACK & VAN TILS		100.00
CROSSROADS ANIMAL HOSPITAL INC		100.00
NAPLETON AUTOWERKS SCHERERVILLE		100.00
JEFFREY E FRYZEL		200.00
LITTLE'S AUTOMOTIVE INC		100.00
SCHOOP'S HAMBURGERS		200.00
MARBLE ROOM AMERICA		50.00
RAINBOW CONE LLC		100.00
DERAN JEWELER LLC		50.00
KOKOPELLI MOTORS CIRP		100.00
LUBE TECH LLC		50.00
KB TIRE INC		100.00
JFLA MANANGEMENT COMPANY		100.00
SHARON MOORE/HEATHER MOORE		50.00
TRIPLE CROWN ALLSTARS LLC		100.00
41 CLEANERS		100.00
JULIES AUTO SALES		100.00
DEAN'S LAWN & LANDSCAPING INC		100.00
HAMMOND INC/ LANGEL'S PIZZA		100.00
VON TOBEL CORPORATION		100.00
FERREE MOVERS INC		200.00
RESPONSE MANAGEMENT SERVICES LLC		100.00
TIRE BARN		50.00
SCHERERVILLE BLUE PRINT		25.00
CAPTAIN FIREWORKS LLC		100.00
RYAN EBERHARDT		100.00
JAY MARIE SALON AND SPA INC		50.00
BRYAN AND NICOLE KELLY		50.00
JBR SNS LLC		500.00
NANCY SPA NAILS		200.00
HAMMER FINANCIAL GROUP, INC		50.00
SCHERERVILLE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE		100.00
COMPLETE CAR CENTER		200.00
BEST WESTERN CROSSROAD INN		100.00
PHIL'S COLLISION CENTER, INC		100.00
MOTEL LEE		100.00
SCHERERVILLE BOWLING FEC LLC		100.00
SKY ZONE LLC		100.00
ECKART AMERICA CORPORATION		200.00
JAKS FEC LLC		100.00
MASON CORPORATION		375.00
MIDWEST POPE & REBAR COATING, INC		100.00
M&M CAR CARE CENTER II		100.00
COFFEE CABIN, LLC		50.00
MASSARO ENTERPRISES, LLC		50.00
CHIROPRACTIC SPORT & SPINE CENTER		50.00
IYS VENTURES LLC DBA I MART STORES		1,000.00
HOMES BY BRIAN, INC		100.00
OHRIDIA INC DBA GYROS EXPRESS		100.00
DOUG & STEVE CONSTRUCTION, INC		100.00
COASTAL ZONE NUTRITION		100.00

	DEDICATED LADIES CONCRETE/DONNA CLARK		100.00
	PEBBLEBROOKE HOMES		250.00
	H DOG		100.00
	ALLIED CONSTRUCTORS, INC		200.00
	YINGLING CLEANERS		25.00
	SOPHIA'S HOUSE OF PANCAKES INC		100.00
	ALL PRO TOWING LLC		100.00
	SHERWOOD LAKE APARTMENTS		100.00
	PEPINO'S RESTAURANT		100.00
	LIZ COOK		25.00
	BILL NORDYKE		50.00
	PINE ISLAND RIDGE COM ASSO		100.00
	OM SALES INC		100.00
	KORTENHOVEN BUILDERS INC		100.00
	F/P. ACKERMAN & ASSOCIATES INC		100.00
	A.A.C. ORTHODONTICS P.C.		50.00
	DANUBIUS PROP. MGMT.		100.00
	JINGER BARTOLINI		100.00
	LAKE SIDE COLLISION II, INC.		100.00
	MILLER'S AUTO DETAILING LLC		50.00
	JABAAY MOTORS, INC.		250.00
	PETE'S RV CENTER		100.00
	CARIBBEAN POOLS		250.00
		TOTAL NATIONAL NIGHT OUT DONAT.	18,150.00
	<u>DONATION FUND - VIPS</u>		
	SCHERERVILLE REPUBLICAN ORG		800.00
		TOTAL VIPS DONATIONS	800.00
	<u>DONATION FUND - PROJECT LIFESAVER</u>		
	RESIDENCES AT DEER CREEK		550.00
		TOTAL PROJECT LIFESAVER	550.00
		TOTAL MONETARY DONATIONS	19,630.00
		TOTAL IN-KIND DONATIONS	10,952.36
		GRAND TOTAL DONATIONS	30,582.36