
PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE TOWN OF CICERO

The Board of Trustees of the Town of Cicero met Tuesday, September 24, 2024 at 10:00 A.M., in the Town Hall Council Chambers, Town of Cicero.

On roll call there were present:

President: Dominick
Clerk: Punzo-Arias
Trustees: Cava, Cundari, Garcia, Porod, Reitz, Vargas.
Absent: Virruso – Excused.

Thereupon, President Dominick declared a quorum present and the meeting duly convened and requested that all present in attendance stand and join in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

On motion of Trustee Cava seconded by Trustee Garcia, the minutes of the Regular Meeting held Tuesday, September 10, 2024 at 10:00 o'clock A.M., were approved, the reading being dispensed with, each member having received a copy.

Town Clerk Maria Punzo-Arias stated for the record, that Agenda Item 6-E was stricken from the agenda.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

(159-24)

On motion of Trustee Garcia seconded by Trustee Reitz, the list of bills itemized in Warrant #18, dated September 19, 2024, in the total amount of \$2,352,884.50; the list of manual checks dated September 6, 2024 thru September 20, 2024 in the total amount of \$55,198.06, and list of online payments dated September 7, 2024 thru September 20, 2024 in the total amount of \$73.62, were accepted, placed on file and approved for payment; action taken by the following vote:

Ayes: Cava, Cundari, Garcia, Porod, Reitz, Vargas.

Nays: None.

(160-24)

On motion of Trustee Garcia seconded by Trustee Vargas, payroll (*Estimated Corporate \$1,828,115.51 & Library \$25,819.37*) was approved for the active employees listed on the printout dated 09-19-24; action taken by the following vote:

Ayes: Cava, Cundari, Garcia, Porod, Reitz, Vargas.

Nays: None.

PERMIT

(161-24)

On motion of Trustee Vargas seconded by Trustee Garcia, permission was granted to Cicero Firefighters to conduct their “Boot Day” collection drive on Saturday October 26th at the Red Feather/ Community Chest of Cicero.

RESOLUTIONS

(“R” 95-24)

On motion of Trustee Cava seconded by Trustee Vargas, the Resolution authorizing the town president to enter into a certain agreement with Chamberlain University regarding student clinical placements for the town, (*provide practical learning and clinical experience.*) was accepted, placed on file and approved for adoption by the following vote:

Ayes: Cava, Cundari, Garcia, Porod, Reitz, Vargas.

Nays: None

(“R” 96-24)

On motion of Trustee Cava seconded by Trustee Reitz, the Resolution authorizing and approving a certain invoice for Imagetrend, Inc. for fire department records management software for the town (*invoice PS-INV110059 in the amount of \$16,786.24*), was accepted, placed on file and approved for adoption by the following vote:

Ayes: Cava, Cundari, Garcia, Porod, Vargas.

Nays: None

Present: Reitz

(“R” 97-24)

On motion of Trustee Reitz seconded by Trustee Vargas, the Resolution authorizing and approving the settlement of litigation and the execution of a certain settlement agreement in the case *Philip Rutka V. Town of Cicero* for the town. (Case # 22WC025540), was accepted, placed on file and approved for adoption by the following vote:

Ayes: Cava, Cundari, Garcia, Porod, Reitz, Vargas.

Nays: None

(“R” 98-24)

On motion of Trustee Vargas seconded by Trustee Cava, the Resolution authorizing and approving the settlement of litigation and the execution of a certain settlement agreement in the case *Francisco Bahena V. Town of Cicero* for the town, (Case # 22WC027910), was accepted, placed on file and approved for adoption by the following vote:

Ayes: Cava, Cundari, Garcia, Porod, Reitz, Vargas.

Nays: None

(“R” 99-24)

On motion of Trustee Porod seconded by Trustee Garcia, the Resolution authorizing the Town President to enter into an engineering services agreement with Novotny Engineering for The Town (*Water and Sewer rate study*), was accepted, placed on file and approved for adoption by the following vote:

Ayes: Cava, Cundari, Garcia, Porod, Reitz, Vargas.

Nays: None

(“R” 100-24)

On motion of Trustee Garcia seconded by Trustee Vargas, the Resolution establishing certain guidelines and the hours for Halloween Trick or Treating on October 31, 2024 for the Town, was accepted, placed on file and approved for adoption by the following vote:

Ayes: Cava, Cundari, Garcia, Porod, Reitz, Vargas.

Nays: None.

President Dominick opened the meeting to the public for their comments.

A resident complained against two contractors, a roofer and a tuck pointer, who did poor work on her house and paid the roofer alone over \$30,000; she further stated that she has gotten no response from anyone at the Town.

President Dominick instructed her to follow up with his secretary and the director of the business license. Clerk Punzo-Arias informed her that in many cases this becomes a civil matter and that she may have to personally take them to court.

Mr. Capps presented President Dominick with a Chicago Cubs bobble-head souvenir from a recent game he attended.

Frank Krout thanked the Town President, and his team for addressing stormwater concerns prior to the 2023 flooding, especially requiring major commercial developments brought into the town to install stormwater retention systems. That also includes the BNSF, which with their stormwater retention system keeps approximately 25 million gallons of dirty stormwater out of our community.

Trustee Vargas congratulated President Dominick and the Board on breaking ground at the new Phil Fuentes Ability Park and asked the Board of Trustees to consider have a night meeting once a month.

Project Manager Craig Pesek also congratulated President Dominick and the Board of Trustees on breaking ground at the new Phil Fuentes Ability Park and also acknowledged Ms. Vanessa Parish for all her hard work and commitment during the planning phase of the park.

Town Clerk Maria Punzo-Arias thanked Mrs. Diana Dominick and all the department heads and/or their designees on the successful meeting that was held on Friday, September 20th for all business owners in town. Clerk Punzo-Arias, especially wanted to thank President Dominick for meeting with some of the business owners after the meeting to discuss their issues more in depth.

Mrs. Diana Dominick thanked all the department heads that showed up to the business meeting and stated that the meetings tentatively will be held once a month.

Town resident recommended to the town board that the town should conduct driver training courses to town residents, to help prevent car accident.

On motion of Trustee Garcia seconded by Trustee Porod, the board then stood adjourned at 10:27 A.M. to meet on Tuesday, October 8th, 2024 at 10:00 A.M., in the Town Hall, Town of Cicero.

MARIA A. PUNZO-ARIAS, TOWN CLERK