CALL TO ORDER: 6:30 p.m.

INOVICATION: Pastor Bob Szoke, Impact Christian Church

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL: Mr. Minchuk was absent. All other members were present.

PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS, ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS AND REMONSTRATIONS:
Mr. Hardaway thanked Pastor Bob Szoke and Impact Church for opening their doors. The facility was used as a warming center for residents due to the power outage in the area.

CONSENT AGENDA:
Approval of the Accounts Payable Register Voucher dated November 27, 2018. Approval of Town Council Meeting Minutes of November 13, 2018. Mr. Pettit made a motion to approve and was seconded by Mrs. Barron. There was no discussion. The motion was approved by a unanimous voice vote.

STANDING COMMITTEES:

BUDGET & FINANCE:
Mr. Pettit had no report.

PUBLIC WORKS:
Mr. Gurnsey thanked the Street Department on the great job they did with roads due to the snowfall on Monday.

COUNCIL AFFAIRS:
Ms. LaMarca had no report.

PERSONNEL POLICY & EMPLOYEE BENEFITS:
Mrs. Barron had no report.

PUBLIC SAFETY:
Mrs. Uzelac said she has received complaints regarding cars being park in the street when the plow trucks are out. Residents are reminded to remove vehicles when there is 2 inches of snow fall or the vehicle will be towed at owner’s expense.

PARKS & RECREATION:
Ms. LaMarca had no report.

ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS:
Mr. Barron had no report.

ELECTIONS & PUBLIC RELATIONS:
Mrs. Uzelac had no report.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT:
Mr. Pettit had no report.

UTILITY LIAISON:
Mr. Spann had no report.

ABANDONED PROPERTIES:
President Hardaway had no report.
GENERAL ORDERS:

FIRST READING ORDINANCES:

Ord. 18-29:
An Ordinance of the Town of Merrillville, Lake County, Indiana fixing the parks non-reverting program fees for the year 2019. Mrs. Baron made a motion to approve the ordinance and was seconded by Mrs. Uzelac. There was no discussion. The motion carried by a 6-0 roll call vote.

Ord. 18-30:
An Ordinance to establish the wage and salary of the employees of the Town of Merrillville, Indiana and to amend provisions in the compensation and benefits ordinance. Mr. Pettit made a motion to approve the ordinance and was seconded by Mrs. Barron. There was no discussion. The motion carried by a 6-0 roll call vote.

SECOND READING ORDINANCES:

Ord. 18-27:
An Ordinance of the Town of Merrillville, Lake County, Indiana appropriating additional monies within the Merrillville Fire Territory Operating Fund, of the Town of Merrillville, Lake County, Indiana for the year 2018 not included in the current budget. Mrs. Barron made a motion to approve the ordinance and was seconded by Mr. Spann. There was no public comment or discussion. The motion carried by a 6-0 roll call vote.

RESOLUTIONS:

Res. 18-29:
A Resolution of the Town of Merrillville, Lake County, Indiana, concerning the holiday schedule for the calendar year 2019. Mr. Spann made a motion to approve the resolution and was seconded by Mrs. Uzelac. There was no discussion. The motion was approved by a unanimous voice vote.

Res. 18-30:
A Resolution of the Town of Merrillville, Lake County, Indiana, concerning authorizing the repayment of temporary loans. Mr. Spann made a motion to approve the resolution and was seconded by Mr. Pettit. There was no discussion. The motion was approved by a unanimous voice vote.

BZA ACTIONS:
None

OLD BUSINESS:
None

NEW BUSINESS:
None

PUBLIC COMMENT:
All public comment is recorded on an audio file and kept on file in the Clerk-Treasurer’s Office at Town Hall.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Board of Zoning Appeals meeting, November 28, 2018 at 6:30 p.m.

Stormwater Management Board meeting, December 4, 2018 at 4:30 p.m.

Plan Commission workshop, December 4, 2018 at 6:30 p.m.

Police Commission meeting, December 7, 2018 at 8:00 a.m.

Santa’s Procession & Christmas Lighting Ceremony, December 7, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. (Santa will be leaving MIS (1400 W. 61st Ave.) & will be traveling east on 61st Ave. to Harrison St. Then North to the Pruzin Park 5750 Tyler St.

Town Council meeting, December 11, 2018, at 6:30 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT: Mr. Pettit made a motion to adjourn and was seconded by Ms. LaMarca.

Richard Hardaway, President

Eugene Guernsey, Clerk-Treasurer