



**ZIONSVILLE TOWN COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
FOR
MONDAY, AUGUST 21, 2023
AT 7:30 A.M. EST
ONSITE MEETING**

This meeting was conducted onsite. All Councilors participated in person.

Council Members Present: Jason Plunkett, President; Brad Burk, Vice-President; Alex Choi, Joe Culp, Josh Garrett, Bryan Traylor, and Craig Melton

Also Present: Heather Harris, Town Council Attorney; Chief James VanGorder, Zionsville Fire Department; Lance Lantz, Director of Public Works; Jarod Logsdon, Superintendent of Parks & Recreation; Cindy Poore, Director of Finance & Records; Captain Drake Sterling, Zionsville Police Department; Amy Lacy, Municipal Relations Coordinator; and other Town Department Staff

OPENING

- A. Call meeting to order**
- B. Pledge of Allegiance**

Plunkett Good morning. I will now call to order the Monday, August 21, 2023 regular Town Council meeting. If you would please, stand and join me in the Pledge of Allegiance.

All Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF THE MEMORANDUM OF THE AUGUST 7, 2023 REGULAR MEETING

Plunkett All right, up first on the agenda is the Memorandum of the August 7, 2023 regular Town Council meeting. A copy has been posted. Are there any questions from Councilors?

Garrett I'll make a motion to approve.

Plunkett We have a first by Councilor Garrett.

Burk Second.

Plunkett Second by Vice President Burk. All those in favor signify by saying aye.

All Aye.

Plunkett All those opposed same sign.
[No response]

Motion passes 6 in favor, 0 opposed.

APPROVAL OF THE AUGUST 21, 2023 CLAIMS

Plunkett Up next would be the approval of the August 21, 2023 Claims. Are there questions from Councilors? No questions at all?

Traylor Motion to approve.

Choi Second.

Plunkett First by Councilor Traylor, second by Councilor Choi. All those in favor signify by saying aye.

All Aye.

Plunkett All those opposed same sign.
[No response]

Motion passes 6 in favor, 0 opposed.

FIRE DEPARTMENT NEW EMPLOYEE AND PROMOTION PRESENTATION

Plunkett Up next would be the Fire Department New Employee and Promotion Presentation. Chief VanGorder.

VanGorder Thank you Mr. President and members of the Council. I'm excited to be here this morning for the swearing in of our community's newest four firefighters as well as the recent promotion of two Engineers and four Lieutenants and four newly appointed Chief Officers. Before I call them forward and have President Plunkett assist me with administering the oath of ceremony, I want to be sure and thank a few people. For our probationary firefighters, as you are very much aware, you are here today because of the instructors, your fellow firefighters that helped teach you and support you along the way and most importantly, your families. And to our new officers, similarly, I want to say thank you to your co-workers who are in attendance here today as well as your families. You are here today because of your hard work and the support from your family so I want to say thank you very much.

At this time, I would ask that President Plunkett please come down and assist me in administering the oath of office. We're going to do this in six different groups. The first group that we'll have come forward will be our Probationary Firefighters. If they would come front and center that'd be Austin Alcorn, Trey

Cobb, Xavier Davis and Jesse Felmy. These four Probationary Firefighters, you can set up in the center of the room if you can, already had their badges pinned on them by their family members at their recruit graduation two weeks ago and today I would ask that President Plunkett administer the oath of office.

Plunkett Please raise your right hand and repeat after me. I, state your name –

All I _____.

Plunkett Do solemnly swear –

All Do solemnly swear –

Plunkett That I will support the Constitution of the United States of America, the Constitution of the State of Indiana and the Ordinances of the Town of Zionsville, Indiana –

All That I will support the Constitution of the United States of America, the Constitution of the State of Indiana and the Ordinances of the Town of Zionsville, Indiana –

Burk A little long Jason –

Plunkett I will faithfully, honestly and impartially discharge all of my official duties of the office of Firefighter –

All I will faithfully, honestly and impartially discharge all of my official duties of the office of Firefighter –

Plunkett All right, for the Town of Zionsville –

All For the Town of Zionsville –

Plunkett Regardless of race, creed, color –

All Regardless of race, creed, color –

Plunkett Religion, sex or national origin –

All Religion, sex or national origin –

Plunkett Of the persons I serve so help me God.

All Of the persons I serve so help me God.

Plunkett Thank you. Congratulations.

VanGorder At this time if we could have Firefighter John Ball and Joey Goltz please come forward and their respective family. John Ball has his girlfriend, Alyssand their daughter, Jane, with him and then Firefighter Goltz has his wife, Rebecca, here

and we'll be administering the oath of office and at the conclusion of their oath of office, their family will pin their badge on.

Plunkett Please raise your right hand and repeat after me. I, state your name –

All I _____ –

Plunkett Do solemnly swear –

All Do solemnly swear –

Plunkett That I will support the Constitution of the United States of America –

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Plunkett The Constitution of the State of Indiana –

All The Constitution of the State of Indiana –

Plunkett And the Ordinances of the Town of Zionsville, Indiana –

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Plunkett I will faithfully, honestly and impartially –

All I will faithfully, honestly and impartially –

Plunkett Discharge all of my duties of the office of Engineer –

All Discharge all of my duties of the office of Engineer –

Plunkett For the Town of Zionsville –

All For the Town of Zionsville –

Plunkett Regardless of the race, creed or color –

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VanGorder Congratulations. At this time we'll move on to the rank, merit rank of Lieutenant, Firefighter Smith with his wife, Rosa, please come forward, Firefighter Quigley would you please come forward with his wife, Jess, Firefighter Luttrull with his wife, Lauren, and Firefighter Snider with his wife, Mandy.

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Plunkett The Constitution of the State of Indiana –
All The Constitution of the State of Indiana –
Plunkett And the Ordinances of the Town of Zionsville, Indiana –
All And the Ordinances of the Town of Zionsville, Indiana –
Plunkett I will faithfully, honestly and impartially –
All I will faithfully, honestly and impartially –
Plunkett Discharge all of my duties of the office of Lieutenant –
All Discharge all of my duties of the office of Lieutenant –
Plunkett For the Town of Zionsville –
All For the Town of Zionsville –
Plunkett Regardless of the race, creed, color –
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All Religion, sex or national origin –
Plunkett Of the persons I serve so help me God.
All Of the persons I serve so help me God.
Plunkett Congratulations.
VanGorder Next we'll have Firefighter Steve Hayes come forward for the appointed position of Battalion Chief and his wife, Deb.
Plunkett Please raise your right hand and repeat after me. I, state your name –

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Hayes I, Steve Hayes –

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Hayes Do solemnly swear –

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Plunkett I will faithfully, honestly and impartially –

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Plunkett Discharge all of my duties of the office of Battalion Chief–

Hayes Discharge all of my duties of the office of Battalion Chief –

Plunkett For the Town of Zionsville –

Hayes For the Town of Zionsville –

Plunkett Regardless of the race, creed, color –

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Hayes Of the persons I serve so help me God.

Plunkett Congratulations.

VanGorder If we could have Firefighter Sparks come forward for the position of Division Chief. With him pinning his badge on this morning will be his wife, Bonnie.

Plunkett Please raise your right hand and repeat after me. I, state your name –

Sparks I, Ryan Sparks –

Plunkett Do solemnly swear –

Sparks Do solemnly swear –

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Plunkett I will faithfully, honestly and impartially –

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Plunkett Discharge all of my official duties of the office of Divisional, of Division Chief–

Sparks Discharge all of my official duties of the office of Division Chief –

Plunkett For the Town of Zionsville –

Sparks For the Town of Zionsville –

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Plunkett Congratulations.

VanGorder The final position this morning would be for Deputy Chief. Firefighter Jason Potts, please come forward. With him this morning is his wife, Tess and his son, Drew. And also Firefighter Gibbons who is here this morning with his daughter, Kenzie and son, Tatum.

Plunkett Please raise your right hand and repeat after me. I, state your name –

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Plunkett Discharge all of my official duties of the office of Deputy Chief–

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Plunkett For the Town of Zionsville –

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Plunkett Congratulations.

VanGorder Thank you Mr. President and members of the Council. That concludes our swearing in and oath of office. For the Firefighters in attendance you're welcome to, and families, you're welcome to leave at this time. The Council does have other business beginning but if you guys want to leave at this time feel free to do so or feel free and stay.

Plunkett Congratulations to all of you.

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Garrett I'd leave.

Plunkett That was very cool.

REQUEST TO SPEAK

Plunkett All right. Moving along, next is a Request to Speak on Agenda Items. Amy, do we have any requests to speak?

Lacy No, we do not.

MAYOR/ADMINISTRATION UPDATE

Plunkett All right, up next is the Administration Update and we did not receive anything from the Mayor or the Administration.

TOWN COUNCIL UPDATE

Plunkett We'll move along to Town Council Update. Are there any updates from Councilors?

OLD BUSINESS

Seaside/ Ice America Lawsuit

Plunkett Okay, we'll move on to the first item of Old Business. This is the settlement in the Seaside/Ice America lawsuit. Heather, can I ask you to give us an introduction on this or a narrative on this please?

Harris Yes, so, we currently have a Settlement Agreement between the Town of Zionsville and Seaside which was the vendor for the ice rink during Winterfest. They are looking for us to approve the Settlement Agreement which I believe has been circulated and you've all had a chance to review and so today the action would be to allow for the Town Council President on behalf of the full Town Council to sign that Settlement Agreement. It has been signed by the Parks Board as well as the Mayor is my understanding and so this is the last piece to be able to close out the settlement with Seaside corporate.

Plunkett Are there any questions from Councilors on this?

Traylor How about a comment?

Plunkett Yes –

Traylor My comment would be that this was handled incredibly poorly. Instead of paying for this once or even twice at last time I checked we'd paid for it three times by way of paying initially which we lost, this settlement is twice, all the legal fees is a third time. I would suspect when all the legal fees are in we would, we will have paid for it four times when a simple conversation rather than letting everything go to legal could've prevented this. We could've paid for it once, we

could've paid for it even at worst case twice but we're paying for it four times because we let every – well, not we – the Administration would rather go to court than talk to anybody.

Garrett Well, and to add to that – I mean, this Council's been pretty adamant on financials, financial controls should've caught this to begin with. We should've only paid for it once but, I think your point is very valid there Bryan.

Plunkett Yes, I mean from my perspective, I don't like this at all. I mean I've shared with you guys that I think this was a clear breakdown in internal controls on our part and I struggle with it. And at the same time, I also struggle with allowing additional litigation to continue to linger and more special meetings and more attorney phone calls to ultimately get to where we probably are today so. Any other comments from Councilors? I will make a motion that this Council gives the President the authority to sign the settlement on behalf of the Town Council.

Choi Second.

Plunkett Second by Councilor Choi. All those in favor signify by saying aye.

All Aye.

Plunkett All those opposed same sign.
[No response]

Motion passes 6 in favor, 0 opposed.

NEW BUSINESS

Zionsville Pathways Committee Appointment

Plunkett Up next is the first item of New Business – the Zionsville Pathways Committee Appointment. We have an appointment, a vacant spot on this committee and the committee has asked for Brad Gressel to be appointed. Are there any questions or comments from Councilors?

Burk I guess I would just comment having had a chance to meet Brad and sit down with him – he's the perfect person to be appointed to this role. He has been very diligent in making this a passion of his and some of the work that he has done has been pretty remarkable and so I just appreciate all that he's done and I think he'd be a wonderful appointment.

Plunkett Yes, I've known Brad for, gosh, probably five or six years now and that name might sound familiar because last week or last meeting his wife had the tree presentation so –

Traylor Hmm.

Plunkett Certainly appreciate folks being involved with the Town. Are there any questions or comments from Councilors? Otherwise, I would accept a motion.

Melton To make a motion to appoint Brad Gressel to the Pathways Committee please.

Plunkett Yes, first from Councilor Melton.

Burk Second.

Plunkett Second from Vice President Burk. All those in favor signify by saying aye.

All Aye.

Plunkett All those opposed same sign.
[No response]

Motion passes 6 in favor, 0 opposed. Thank you very much.

Zionsville Pathways Committee Presentation

Plunkett Up next would be a Zionsville Pathway Committee presentation and we have, I believe we have, Quincy Cunningham and Justin Hage and Brad Gressel.

Hage Good morning members of the Council. My name is Justin Hage and I serve as the Chair of the Pathways Committee. As you mentioned, I'm up here with our newest member, Brad, and then Quincy also serves on the committee with me. We just wanted to give a quick overview of what our committee does and some recommendations based on some work we've been doing honestly over the past couple of years about pathways.

When my family first moved to Zionsville one of the things that was really important to us was trails. That was something we really enjoyed. We live in the Vonterra neighborhood so super excited that we have the Rail Trail that comes to us, we have connectivity along Zionsville Road that allows us to get to the Village and just, I think, our work as a committee is to try to share and have that same connectivity for all parts of our Town and really have connections to parks and schools and that sort of thing. So, again, we're a committee that really works on creating recommendations for trail pathways or pathways and trails and the actual routes of said trails and then also kind of locations specifically for those and then policies around that as well.

We're also here to promote the benefits of trails and then also talk about ways in which we can get both two types of designations: One is the bike-friendly communities and another one is walk-friendly communities and these are national organizations that based on very extensive applications allow you to get these designations, which are helpful for economic development and also just generally advertising that our Town is open to that type of connectivity.

This year we have the bronze level recommend – or, sorry – the bronze level designation and I will be remiss if I didn't share that part of the work that our committee does is also working alongside the Parks Department, the Planning Department and then also Public Works. So really appreciate all the assistance we've gotten from Jarod and Lance and many others who have also worked along with schools so, I think it's just important to think too about how trails are,

they kind of sit across different areas – some trails are a park, they’re linear trails, linear parks. Others are more of pathways along roads, some are in Lance’s bailiwick but then some sort of cross over and then there’s also really important engagement with schools as it relates to connectivity to schools as well.

Is it possible to move the slides forward as well? Sorry –

Lacy I think Joe –

Hage Okay, cool.

Lacy I think he’s, he’s got it.

Hage I think I just finished that one, Yes, so next slide please. Perfect, thank you. And I just wanted to, just a little bit of a preface to some of the specific recommendations we have, just give a little bit of background on the work that we did to get to these recommendations. This committee has been in existence for quite some time and so we took really the work of former members, we took input from community members and then just a lot of deep dives at looking at Google maps and we’ve actually done some work – there’s a member of our committee who’s very IT savvy, much more so than me, and we’ve actually got a platform that we can share with you all and publicly as well eventually that will kind of really allow you to dig deep and go down into the, sort of the Google Earth level and see these trails and where they might be.

We also went based off of the 2016 Zionsville Trails Implementation Plan which you can tell, obviously, all the Councilors know and everyone in the public knows, there’s been a lot of development since 2016 across our Town so there are new needs for trails across the, across the community. And our objectives, our priorities have really worked to help fill in gaps so where development has occurred, many of you know, as park planning there is the requirement for trails to be put in around the perimeter of developments for the most part and so really where those gaps might, might occur where there’s ability to connect more residents to our Village core, the ability to connect people to schools and parks and then lastly, just any type of safety issues that might be created as people are already trying to get on a bike or walk from point A to point B and they end up doing it alongside the road or something like that that might be opportunity for a pathway so, here the committee has identified about four levels that or sorry – four priority routes that, I’ll really call them sort of consideration as part of the next budgeting process and future budgeting processes. I want to be clear for the Council and members of the public these aren’t necessarily what, what I would call funding requests but rather our, our role is to make a recommendation for you to put into the pot as part of prioritization and as part of work with the departments across our Town, that these are things that, again, based on public input and our research, think it could really be valuable in the coming years so with that I’ll have Brad give a little bit more of a detail on the first two of those.

Gressel Thank you. Joe, if you want to jump to the next slide. So, the first pathway route that we’ve called out kind of the top priority is really the Michigan Road corridor. This area I think all of us knows has had rapid growth recently and to Justin’s point about filling in the gaps – we took a look at the east side of

Michigan Road primarily as a lot of developments like Brittany Chase, Hidden Pines, the new Appaloosa Crossing are either built out or coming to fruition. We, factoring in like Census Bureau estimation, there's at least 2,500 people, residents living on that corridor that have direct access to Michigan Road on the east side and really within that priority list of like how this got to the top of the list is access into the Village. So, if you could get all these residents down to Willow Road there's a direct path straight into the Village and if you're looking at distance wise, there's a little chart there that shows a block in red. For reference, Brittany Chase is two miles to the Village core and Appaloosa Crossing is three miles to the Village core so relatively close location. So, again, growing rapidly.

Another thing I would point out here – just north of Interactive Academy, Henke Development, who has been doing the Holliday Farms project and has a couple others north, approved or are being reviewed upcoming, they currently own that land and just recently have submitted plans with Century, another developer, to put a senior assisted living facility in that area. Something to look at like it's continuing to grow again so the timing for a project like this is good to kind of work with that partnership to fill this out. If you look right now – the areas that are, are needed, the gaps if you will, they're 2,100 to potentially 3,500 feet if you include that Henke Development project. So, 2,100 is less than half of a mile. The other thing is Michigan Road or 421 is a state highway. So, obviously, there's a partnership with, with anything that you would do.

I actually had the opportunity to have a recent discussion with the Deputy Commissioner of the Crawfordsville District so that's our INDOT District and learned that there will be improvements coming to Michigan Road. They're mainly essentially a three, turning it to a three-lane type of, for safety reasons, so probably like a center turn lane or some pass lanes. It's not, from what I've been told, it's not going to be a five-lane so that actually benefits the pathways because if you're, you don't want to put a pathway in and then it gets eaten up by a five-lane extension. So, that would, that would benefit a project like this and it wouldn't really necessarily impede with it.

The paths currently that are in place that developers were required to put in are up to, I think, 45 feet off the road so that's a decent buffer if you can imagine yourself walking along the highway, you don't want to be right up on it. There's also relatively new development in this area and most new development has larger setbacks and distances from the road. Some of the others that we'll show coming up the homes are older and closer to the road so that's another benefit of this route. And something else to point out, just south of Interactive Academy and between the Hidden Pines neighborhood, Cox Creek runs through there which is a tributary into Eagle Creek. It runs under the highway and because all the pieces weren't in place, the developers of, of Hidden Pines didn't complete a full bridge pedestrian bridge over the creek, however, they have set up a fund with the Town. It's only, it's got \$41,000 in it so definitely in today's economy not going to build a pedestrian bridge but what's interesting is that amount is earmarked and has to be used for a path at that specific location. So it's just another piece of the puzzle so. I think that's mostly for that one.

Joe, if you want to jump to the next –

Garrett Can I ask a quick question on that before you move on?

Gressel Yes –

Garrett When we approved Holliday Farms, that development, one of the requests from Henke was to become a TIF –

Gressel Yes –

Garrett One of the ideas floated by Henke to justify the TIF was a connector over Michigan that would allow the east side neighborhoods to cross over into the west, cross over Michigan effectively, get into the trails within Holliday Farms and south – do you know if there's been any discussion around that component as it relates to the Pathway Committee? I know he hasn't presented any TIF asks yet but I certainly would encourage that one as, as, as a good benefit to get people safely across the road –

Gressel Yes, Yes, it's definitely something being discussed in all of District 5, as you probably, probably know. I know when the TIF was presented, that was one of the selling points of, of the project, especially with the clubhouse, if you will, that is now in place at Holliday Farms. It's not just residents of that neighborhood that can buy into that so. I live in kind of in that area and I see kids on bikes and golf carts crossing the highway a lot so it's definitely something I would like to see from what I've learned is all of, the TIF is not built out so the dollars are not coming in yet to fund something like that but a crossing, a safe crossing, I think is how it was described, is on the list of potential projects that will be pursued. It doesn't have to be all of those. It kind of depends on how much money is in place and it's not, it's not clear in the TIF how that crossing happens. So is it, is it over?

Garrett Yes –

Gressel Is it under? Or is it, hopefully not, but does it have to become just a marked crossing over, over the road but, I mean that's something that this committee has discussed but it's, it's something that we hope the TIF money rolls in and becomes another piece of it because, yes, you get over to, you, you cross over into Holliday Farms then you've got access to Turkey Foot –

Garrett Yes –

Gressel You can get south, that's great. Right now this area of the east is on a metaphorical island right now. They can't cross, they can't get down to Willow Road is essentially the (inaudible) for this path.

Garrett And we may be able to, rather than waiting on that TIF bucket to fill up, bond against that TIF capacity to accelerate that too. It's probably outside the purview maybe of the Pathway Committee but it is certainly something to think about rather than having to wait for something bad to happen to do it –

Gressel Yes –

- Garrett I'd rather get in front of it than have to wait for the money to do it so –
- Gressel Absolutely, Yes.
- Burk Brad, real quick – we're seeing why exactly you're the ideal person to be in this role. When you and I sat down and you were able to use Google Maps, we were drilled way down into these details but that was before we knew about the potential extension to that extra lane on Michigan and I know you addressed it but the way you've outlined this, do you see any concerns where that third lane or that construct – and it's not even just where the lane is, it's just during construction even, do you see needing to wait until they do that because there's a, there's a lot more than just where's the trail going to end up –
- Gressel Yes –
- Burk There's a lot of construction, there's stuff that may have to be tore up under the road. What are your thoughts on that or what did INDOT have to say about that?
- Gressel Yes, I mean, I don't do this professionally. I would just say that the pieces that are in place now, like if you look across Brittany Chase, you look across the Bridlewood neighborhood, those are the areas that immediate connections could probably be explored that a 421 expansion really would not impact. I don't really think it would impact the land, the Interactive or the Holliday currently owned or sorry – Henke-owned land now. I think that is really can we, can we lean into having or requiring the developer to build a frontage path on there and I think other thing I omitted was Interactive Academy has about 1,400 feet linear going up that they don't have a path now but they've given like a verbal agreement to, nothing in writing, but a verbal agreement to Henke that if they built a path they could have their right-of-way or easement or what have you across that. So, that's why the timing maybe there's an opportunity as that Century project, which is the assisted living project is being proposed, maybe the Town can partner with them to get some of that built out at the developer's cost but I, to your point, I don't think the expansion of 421, I don't think the diff, if it's only three lane and it's probably over up to eight years away, that waiting on that at such a two- to three-lane expansion –
- Burk I thought I heard 2027 but I could be –
- Gressel I'm sorry?
- Burk I thought I heard 2027. So I don't know what the time, that's the timeline I heard.
- Gressel Oh, okay.
- Burk Maybe. Well, I'll ask another question at the end about actual budgetary conversations but thank you.
- Gressel Yes.
- Burk Appreciate you.

Gressel Joe, you want to jump to the next one? The next one that we pointed out and I guess recently we've heard that this may also be currently on the radar of the Town, I guess, but this is kind of the result of the Marysville Road or 875 extension with the roundabout that's kind of created that new north-south corridor. That's led to new developments like the Ashburn to directly to the southwest of that roundabout and the Wild Air project that's going to be coming up. There's going to be a lot of people living in this area on Whitestown Road which runs east-west, kind of angles to the northwest as you, as you head towards that roundabout, basically from Cobblestone Lakes to that roundabout there isn't a pedestrian connection. So, we've looked at could that, could that be extended? It's about 3,000 linear feet, so just under half a mile. This would, this would require a little bit more land acquisition, I believe, than the previous project and let me see what it says – Yes, so, again, older homes kind of along that Pheasant Run, Wren Way entrance, those are the two neighborhoods that are between there. The homes sit a little closer to the road. There's driveways with, with culverts and ditches through there. Definitely doable but just kind of pointing those, pointing those out but if Whitestown Road is going to receive any improvements, pathways alongside of that are always desirable. So, this would also have, it's kind of more difficult for this one to get an exact count of residents because outside of Cobblestone Lakes there's some one-off individual homes but it still would have a very large impact to have that in place before like the Wild Air project would happen.

Melton Brad, if I can interject just briefly on that – that one has been funded for design for 2023 and it, it is in, there is a request for 2024 for land acquisition during, for that.

Gressel Okay,

Melton I will also say that this project is interesting because half of it in this particular project is, there are commitments by the Derossi Estates when that was created, that development, for those homeowners to pay for that pathway in front of their property and I know that several of them are eager to.

Gressel Right, yep. Okay, we can jump to three if there are no other questions. I think Quincy is going to run us through the last two.

Cunningham Yes, thank you. Good morning Council.

Melton Morning.

Cunningham Project three – this is County Road South 650 East. This, the next three, project three, project four you're going to see a little more emphasis on the western side of the community. This would connect Boone Meadow Elementary to Harvest Park. Our understanding is there may be some collaboration needed for these connections for the pathways, probably including the County, potentially Whitestown and then our community as well. This is also of the four projects the longest linear distance – 6,500 linear feet on the project. There also are a couple challenges that could present themselves through this project which we understand would maybe exceed some budget limitations potentially. That would

be Jones Cemetery which is on the southern portion of where that pathway would connect and then also a narrow two-lane bridge that we'd likely have to make bridge adjustments which would, as mentioned, probably drive up costs on this pathway connection but what we do believe is connecting these two portions, the elementary school, the park, we're going to see a lot of traffic with, with our children in the community which we think, obviously, for safety reasons, is incredibly important. The Royal Run community in Zionsville and Anson area of Whitestown, they really lack certain pathways that need connected and this a reason why this project has been put on our list and so we wanted to bring this one forward to you as well as you can see through some of those details there under the project.

Go to slide four please. Slide four – this is Ottinger Drive, also Royal Run Boulevard. A shorter linear portion here. This is only 300 feet. We do have some, some good starting pathways here on the north and south side of Royal Run Boulevard which turns into 700 East. Really the concern here is on the southwest portion of that intersection right there on the picture there on the top left, you've got a lot of people that are, that are walking on the northside pathway to cross over and then they kind of cut the corner there on that southwest portion. There's a little bit of a blind spot and some concern there for safety reasons. We think that this project is certainly something that's feasible that we could address hopefully in the near term. There certainly are some questions with the property owner there on that southwest portion. Our understanding is there may be some willingness to partner there, some continued conversations that could maybe move this project forward. Again, it's a smaller linear portion that we'd like to address about 300 feet and so this is why this one made it on the list. There's a lot of kids that travel around that neighborhood. With the Hy-Vee coming in, we're not sure what traffic impact will look like so we want to make sure this is one that could potentially be addressed in the near future. Those are the four projects we have. I think any one of us would be happy to answer any additional questions from the Council.

Burk First, I would just applaud the work. You guys have been very diligent in looking at what all needs to be done and digging in a little deeper as to even talking to property owners so we appreciate it. I don't know that anyone would, would be opposed to any of this. The question is really dollars and timing and Craig kind of even mentioned that maybe some of this is already accounted for or in the works. I guess the question I would have and I did go through the budget with Cindy Friday and maybe it was buried in there but is some of what you're trying to already accomplish in this particular plan, have you put forward budget proposals? Do you know if they're already in this initial first draft that we're going to see this afternoon?

Hage Thank you for the question Vice President Burk. I think we've been careful to stay within our purview as a committee to really bring recommendations forward. We want to make sure that our goal is to really to think about the needs of the community to try to take input but and then make those recommendations and, to your point, yes, project two, I think, is already in flight but the other ones I can't necessarily speak to exact budget estimates or necessarily whether they're included per se. I think we just wanted to bring them forward as

recommendations but that would be kind of the, where our line of demarcation ends as a committee.

Burk Yes, Yes. Appreciate it. Craig, you would probably be the person who is maybe digging to look at the budget so the project two is the only one that you'd already mentioned that there may be a dollar shortage so there was nothing else in this particular budget for any of this?

Melton That's my understanding and there's two parts to that – I think 2023 has some of, some of the – there's two parts – design and then acquisition and then actual implementation would be following that so that's three years basically on this one project which is project number two so when it comes to budgeting, really I think, again, this committee was really geared toward advising the Council that these are priorities of the Planning, I'm sorry – the Pathways Committee and we wanted it all to be heard in front of you today as we had an appointment of a new member, we thought it was good timing for that.

Burk Yes, well, hopefully we'll be able to see if we can find some dollars. For those who will stick around later, you'll see there's a pretty big budget with a pretty large overrun and then we got to trim back so if there's a way to do some of this and as Josh already pointed out, maybe there's some other ways to come at some of this. I just appreciate what you all are doing.

Choi Yes, quick question – on the Whitestown Road project, for some reason I thought that the Wild Air, the proposed Wild Air project was going to be building the pathway in front of, on Oak Street. Am I wrong on that?

Plunkett No, I believe that's part of it too, Yes.

Choi Okay.

Plunkett Because that was part of the proposal or agreement I should say –

Choi Okay.

Plunkett And that went through.

Choi So that's a significant portion of that project it looks like.

Hage Did you say Oak Councilor Choi?

Choi Uh, Whitestown, sorry.

Plunkett Oh, I'm sorry. I thought you said Oak Street too.

Burk Yes.

Choi Whitestown Road to – all right.

Burk I don't think there was any conversation around Whitestown in that proposal.

Choi Yes, there, it was Oak.

Plunkett Right.

Choi Okay. All right. Never mind, sorry.

Hage Well absent any other questions, we just want to say thank you very much for your time.

Plunkett Thank you.

Garrett Thanks guys.

**Consideration of an Ordinance Amending the 2023 Salary Ordinance
Ordinance 2023-14 (First Reading)**

Plunkett All right, next up on New Business is a Consideration of an Ordinance Amending the 2023 Salary Ordinance. This is Ordinance 2023-14 and we have HR Director, Jo Kiel. Good morning Jo.

Kiel Good morning. As I have communicated to some of you and in the memo to the entire Town Council, Human Resources assumed recruitment and some selected administrative duties from Police, Fire and other departments in 2021. At that time, we budgeted for and received a part-time HR Coordinator. Since then, additional programming, additional benefits have been added to the support of the employees and expanded onboarding to full time, part time and seasonal employees, training and development opportunities, coaching, mentoring and other administrative duties. The industry ratio for HR personnel to employees is 1.4 HR professional for each 100 staff and as we continue to grow, we should be continuing to provide that same high-quality, high-touch service for all of the employees. We need to also more equitably divide the current administrative load, establish succession planning for the department. The request is to transition from a part-time to a full-time position. The position is currently vacated and included in the 2024 budget that will be presented. We'd like to have that effective October 1 of this year. No additional funding is needed this year.

Plunkett Jo, how many employees do we have for the Town right now?

Kiel Right now we have about 255. That ebbs and flows with, with the seasons.

Plunkett And how many total HR?

Kiel Two.

Plunkett Yes.

Garrett Jo, I'm supportive of the request and the position. If we are facing a pretty big budget deficit based on what was presented and we'll get through that in the next meeting. I'm still supportive. If we approve the Salary Ordinance and for whatever reason that doesn't make the cut, I'm assuming that it wouldn't be a position you'd hire for given you wouldn't have budget for it the next year. Is, I

don't want to delay this request until after the budget discussion is done but I kinda want a hedge not knowing where that direction may go. Does that make sense?

Kiel The anticipation, the request is for you to approve it now –

Garrett Yes –

Kiel Obviously, for us to recruit now –

Garrett Yes –

Kiel And have that person in place roughly first of October. So it is, you, the request is not to hedge your bet. The request is to approve it and then know that that's going to be included in 2024.

Garrett Well, I, Yes but if you, I just want to make sure we don't get ourselves in a situation where for whatever reason we looked at the budget –

Kiel Yes –

Garrett And that request for 20 – I know we don't need to modify the budget this year to accommodate this but there is a request to add this position next year –

Kiel Certainly –

Garrett If we don't add that position next year from a budgetary standpoint, even if we approve the Salary Ordinance, I assume we wouldn't go through with the recruiting process because we wouldn't have that position funded for next year. Otherwise, I'd want to defer this until after the budget discussion to make sure we've got the budget for 2024 to – but I don't want to delay you. Does that make sense?

Kiel Certainly but you're right. If it's not, if we don't have an, an agreement that it's going to be included in the 2024 budget we would not recruit for it.

Garrett Yes, okay.

Plunkett I would say timeline would be as such that we would probably have a pretty good feel before we –

Garrett I think we would too.

Plunkett Before they would even hire somebody just because of the deadlines associated with the budget –

Kiel Yes –

Plunkett We would know in pretty short order I would imagine.

Garrett I think we may even know after today's discussion.

Plunkett Yes, Yes –

Garrett At a general and, again, I'm supportive of it, I just –

Kiel Sure –

Garrett I just want to be pragmatic –

Kiel Oh, I understand.

Garrett About it.

Plunkett Yes, I agree. Any other questions from Councilors?

Choi So when you said two HR persons. Currently, it's 1.5 HR persons and you're proposing for two in 2024?

Kiel So, there are two people existing in the department, myself and Angie Eggers who is here in the audience. We have a part-time person on the books but nobody, it is not filled at this time.

Choi Okay.

Plunkett Any other questions for Jo?

Burk I'd move to approve.

Melton Second.

Plunkett So I got a motion to introduce Ordinance 2023-14 on first reading by Vice President Burk, a second by Councilor Melton. All those in favor signify by saying aye.

All Aye.

Plunkett All those opposed same sign.
[No response]

Motion passes 6 in favor, 0 opposed.

Kiel Thank you.

Plunkett Thank you.

Garrett And, I'm assuming we can't fast track this because we don't have all 7 members here. Is that correct? If you, if she wants to start recruiting?

Harris You need a unanimous motion of all of the members to be able to suspend the rules.

Plunkett Not just members present?

Harris Correct.

Plunkett Okay.

Garrett Got it, okay.

Plunkett Okay.

Kiel Understood. Thank you.

Plunkett Thank you.

**Consideration of an Ordinance Regarding Solicitation Permits Ordinance 2023-15
(First Reading)**

Plunkett Up next is a Consideration of an Ordinance Regarding Solicitation Permits. We've got Heather and Captain Sterling and Councilor Melton to present on this.

Harris Okay, want me to start?

Plunkett Sure.

Harris Okay, so you have before you consideration of an Ordinance regarding house-to-house solicitation. This was a request that was generated from the Zionsville Police Department along with Councilor Melton to update and amend the current house-to-house solicitation requirements. So, state statute allows for you to basically license or permit certain vendors to come into the Town of Zionsville and to solicit for commercial purposes home to home.

We already had an Ordinance in place but I think there were a number of things that we were trying to accomplish with this particular rewrite. One is we wanted to clarify that this also applied to the rural service district. Currently the Town has an Interlocal Agreement between the Town, Boone County and the Boone County Sheriff's Office to enforce any Ordinances in the rural service district on behalf of the Town so we wanted to clarify in this Ordinance that that would include house-to-house solicitations.

The other thing we wanted to do is to increase and clarify what the requirements were for licensure, really strengthening the process to make sure we had more information about the vendors before they went door to door. Third, we wanted to make sure that a non – what we used to call non-commercial solicitors which would be Boy Scouts or Girl Scouts, they were actually required to register with the Police Department before they went out into communities. That really wasn't happening and it's hard to enforce when you're dealing with charitable things like Girl Scouts going door to door so we really wanted to eliminate that requirement while at the same time strengthening the requirement for the actual commercial solicitors.

We also wanted to put in place additional permitting opportunities so that we would have different, different timeframes for permits and to clarify that we were looking at specific hours of service. It said like dawn to dusk. That gets a little confusing when you're trying to enforce so we actually put in hours of operation so to speak. And then lastly, we wanted to make it more convenient for citizens of the Town to refuse door-to-door solicitations so we put in language to clearly identify for the solicitors that if someone had a do not trespass or do not solicit sign on their door that you were not allowed to go to that home or business and then lastly and I think importantly, add a new section to the code which allows for someone in the Town to sign up on a no solicitation list and then that list would be given by list of residence to a solicitor to know hey, you're not allowed to go to these homes. Many surrounding communities already have that kind of program in place. It makes it much more convenient for someone and it also helps the solicitors because if you're walking up to a door and the door is far away and then there's a no solicitation sign, you're already on the property, therefore, you would be in violation.

And then I think the last piece was just giving the Chief of Police and/or his or her designee more authority and more clarity in terms of how to pull a permit, how to find someone who wasn't acting in compliance with the law.

We did notice in sort of final review there was lots of redlines traded back and forth but there are a couple of amendments that I think we'd like to bring forward for our final reading of this. There are still a couple of, of, of places where we still reference those non-commercial solicitors which would be the Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, etc. so we do want to go back and remove those and I can give you the citations. That's actually starting on let's see – I think it starts on Section 4 which is 4.5 which is right at the beginning in the definition of a solicitor vendor. It also is on Section 8 which is on page 5. There's still a reference in that provision about non-solicit, non-commercial solicitor and then we also in the fee language you'll see a corresponding update to the fees. We've, we did not include a 30-day permit which is something that the Police Department would like to add so we'll just pull the language from the actual Fee, Fee Ordinance into the Non-Solicitation Ordinance and allow for a 30-day permit. What you typically see is vendors coming in for a limited duration so we're trying to offer some different permitting options sort of similar to what other communities are doing for a specific period of time. I think that's it. We picked up a few other things in terms of including an increase in the fee. They haven't been updated for a significant period of time. We also designated the actual fund that it would be all of the money from the fees would be deposited into and then those fees are used to offset the costs for the Police Department actually permitting and enforcing the Non-Solicitation Ordinance. Anything else I missed?

Sterling

We did transfer the responsibility for the background checks. Previously it was on the applicant to go get a background check from the Indiana State Police and then bring it to us. We transferred that responsibility to us solely. Again, that's another reason to, for the increase in the fees. We cleaned up the process a little bit internally to kind of clearly establish what the responsibility to MAC or for the permitting person is versus what our responsibility is versus what the Chief's responsibility is. We updated the ID requirements. We also did increase the

penalty for noncompliance but I think other than that, I think that pretty well outlines the changes.

Choi Just from a clarification standpoint, so we, you commented on Section 9 of this which basically talks about if you post at your home or in the neighborhood a no solicitation sign, it is unlawful for a solicitor. So, when we talk about the exempt persons, they are not subject to this?

Harris Correct. So there's a couple of exemptions that are required in the law. One would be for someone who is engaging in political speech. So, if you have someone campaigning, for example, they would not be subject to this house-to-house Solicitation Ordinance. And then previously as I mentioned, we had sort of charitable organizations which were required to register with the Police Department before they went into a neighborhood. This would be, I think of Boy Scouts selling popcorn, Girl Scouts selling cookies, kids selling Christmas wreaths before, for school and that's just a very hard one to police and I'm not really sure it's the best use of the Police Department's time so those individuals would no longer be included in any requirements under this proposed Ordinance.

Choi And also the persons engaged in religious speech then.

Harris Correct.

Choi Okay.

Harris Sorry. Thank you for picking that one up.

Burk Yes, I think that justice has to be clarified because –

So I would advise, say my kids, probably don't go to a house that has that sign.

Harris Yes, I would advise that –

Burk Okay.

Harris As well. I mean, I think the individual property owner's rights with respect to their property are in place regardless of our old Ordinance –

Burk Right, right.

Harris Or our, our new one.

Burk I just wanted to make sure that –

Harris This just, this is really just a process to clarify for those individuals engaging in a permitted activity –

Burk I gotcha.

Harris Of the Town, that, that we're going to say clearly if you see a sign do not go on that property. That would be a violation. Really what we're picking up here is

when someone is in violation of their permitting obligations, not necessarily property owner rights or trespassing obligations. Does that make sense?

Burk No, it makes perfect sense it's just that we're exempting that portion now out and I just want to make sure that folks who still have those signs understand they're still protected through the sign. We haven't taken away that ability.

Harris Yes, that's not, that is not our, that is not the goal here. Those –

Burk Right –

Harris Individual property rights would still trump in my opinion.

Burk Thank you.

Melton One quick question Captain Sterling – so, the solicitors are going to come to the MAC Center or are they going to come to the Police Department?

Sterling They'll come to the MAC Center. We have a representative there who handles our permitting.

Melton Fantastic and then so I noticed today we have a presentation for the budget and the MAC Center has a small line item on there and I just, I guess this is just food for thought – if there's more budgetary need in that area or not but that's really for the budget conversation this afternoon so – and they, they, they will, again, I guess with regards to the background check, the Zionsville Police Department will be managing that, not the MAC Center?

Sterling Correct.

Melton Okay, so I just want to be clear and that way the public will know that that's who is managing the background check as we move forward and I think that's great. I think you've done a lot of great work on this and I really appreciate that. I know when we brought this out as an issue you were eager to help and I think you've done an amazing job. I think we'll tweak it just with the second reading and I think we'll have a great piece of Ordinance here to move forward that'll maintain property owners' rights as well as protect Zionsville residents from pushy solicitation so. Thank you very much.

Plunkett Yes, I would echo that just, just briefly. Having been engaged in just the email dialogue back and forth between Captain Sterling and Heather and Councilor Melton and all the effort put in here, this has been a pretty, pretty heavy lift and I know it's something that's important to everybody, so I appreciate everybody's efforts on this. Any questions for Heather, Captain Sterling or Councilor Melton? I'd entertain a motion.

Burk Motion –

Melton I'd like to –

Burk Go ahead –

- Melton I'd like to make a motion to approve Ordinance 2023-16 for the Ordinance – I'm sorry –
- Plunkett No, 15.
- Melton -15 for the consideration of the Ordinance regarding the Solicitation Permits.
- Plunkett So we have, we have a motion to introduce Ordinance 2023-15 on first reading by Councilor Melton.
- Burk Second.
- Plunkett Second by Vice President Burk. All those in favor signify by saying aye.
- All Aye.
- Plunkett All those opposed same sign.
[No response]
- Motion passes 6 in favor, 0 opposed. Thank you.
- Sterling Thank you.

Consideration of an Ordinance Amending the Fee Schedule of the Town of Zionsville Ordinance 2023-16 (First Reading)

- Plunkett Moving along – up next is a Consideration of an Ordinance Amending the Fee Schedule for the Town of Zionsville. This is a first reading and we have Cindy Poore, Director of Finance, Cindy Poore. Good morning, Cindy.
- Poore So we have a couple of changes to the Fee Ordinance. One will be, one is to match up with the new Solicitors Ordinance and introducing the tier level for those permits for a 30-day, 10-day, 30-day and 120-day. They decided to put those various tiers in there. Also for the Fire Department, they are adding a new fee in there for construction building plan review for big box buildings and then the last item that was added in here was to waive the event fee for the Zionsville Cultural District and the Lincoln Park Concert Series. So those are the changes.
- Plunkett Thank you.
- Poore Yes.
- Plunkett Any questions or comments for Cindy? If not, I'd make a motion to introduce Ordinance 2023-16 on first reading.
- Choi Second.
- Plunkett Second by Vice President or by Councilor Choi. All those in favor signify by saying aye.

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All Aye.

Plunkett All those opposed same sign.
[No response]

Motion passes 6 in favor, 0 opposed. Thank you.

Poore Thanks.

**Consideration of a Resolution Regarding the Appropriation of Additional Funds
Resolution 2023-13 (Crossing Grant & Ice America) (Public Hearing)**

Plunkett Up next is a Consideration of a Resolution Regarding the Appropriation of Additional Funds. This is Resolution 2023-13. This is the Crossing Grant and Ice America.

Poore Yes, these two we just recently received the latest Community Crossings grant for DPW and we just need to appropriate those funds that we've received and then the other for Ice America, this is the money that we received from the insurance company, we just need to appropriate it as well.

Plunkett Are there any questions from Councilors?

Garrett Who pays for the insurance?

Poore I'm sorry?

Garrett Who pays for the, who pays the insurance premium? What, what, what budget item?

Poore It's mostly –

Garrett Is it shared?

Poore A little bit. Most of it comes out of the Administration. No, I'm sorry – it's a non-departmental since it's the Town-wide item so that is probably about three-quarters of it is paid through the non-departmental. Wastewater pays a little bit into, into that and so does the golf course.

Garrett Got it.

Poore Yep.

Garrett Has there ever been any thought about making it like a shared service? Because our insurance is going to go up because of these claims –

Poore Right –

Garrett But it's just, you're, you're not paying into something that, that the Town has to pay out of it just seems –

- Poore Mm hmm.
- Garrett I don't know.
- Poore Yes.
- Traylor Just for the record because this is a hot topic for me – just from the non-departmental portion for the insurance, we budgeted \$143,000. We've, year-to-date we've paid \$258,000 –
- Garrett Wow.
- Traylor In insurance and we've estimated that next year because of all these claims it's going to go up to \$450,000. So when I talked earlier about the Administration being, preferring to go legal route –
- Garrett Yes –
- Traylor We pay for this long term from this lack of ability to communicate or willingness to communicate. We pay for this long term. We're going to be paying for this for years as we hopefully in the next Administration and Administrations following aren't quite so legal happy that we will start communicating with people and working things out without having to get legal and insurance involved but right now if we're looking at \$450,000, that's essentially a \$300,000 increase over what was budgeted this year. That, that means that we're viewed as high risk for insurance companies. So, just keep that in mind. It's, when I hear people say oh, well, insurance paid it.
- Garrett No.
- Traylor We're paying for the insurance. I mean our premiums are going up by more than what is being paid out by insurance.
- Burk And probably being paid out on the claims. If that makes sense.
- Traylor Right, that's what I meant.
- Burk I mean you could do a lot, you can do a lot with \$300,000.
- Traylor Oh Yes, Yes.
- Plunkett This is a public hearing. I have proof of publication and public notice of public hearing. At this point I'll open the public hearing. If there's any members from the public who would like to comment now's your chance. Having none I'll close the public hearing. Are there any other questions for Cindy? As we talked about before, the grant is kind of a passthrough for Lance and Ice America is certainly a way to mitigate as much additional damage as possible. So, I would make a motion to approve Resolution 2023-13.
- Choi Second.

Plunkett Second by Councilor Choi. All those in favor signify by saying aye.

All Aye.

Plunkett All those opposed same sign.
[No response]

Motion passes 6 in favor, 0 opposed. Thank you.

**Consideration of a Resolution Regarding the Appropriation of Additional Funds
Resolution 2023-14 (Baker Tilly, ZYFL, Parks, READI Grant, DPW) (Public
Hearing)**

Plunkett Up next is a Consideration of a Resolution Regarding the Appropriation of Additional Funds. This is Resolution 2023-14. You'll notice in here there are essentially two additional appropriations for Baker Tilly and an additional appropriation for ZYFL. Our fourth attempt to publish and have the same reading for Parks, some READI grants and DPW. So we could have maybe Jarod, Cindy, Drake, Lance – a whole bunch of people up here talking about it if we have questions so.

Lantz Do I stand by or (inaudible off microphone).

Plunkett I don't know. I guess at this point whatever questions we have from Councilors. I guess I do have one question. I noticed that this, so this will be, this is also a public hearing and I'll open that shortly but this also shows that we published the local road and bridge fund separately as well. So we published the last hearing we had Resolution 2023-13 had an appropriation amount of \$402,583.04 and then separately Resolution 2023-14 posted in the Star has the exact same dollar amount published there.

Poore I think it's published in there but it is not on the Resolution so it was just a duplication.

Plunkett Okay, so a duplication in the publish, in the publication, not on the Resolution?

Poore Correct.

Plunkett Okay, so we can pull that out. I will say as I've submitted to the Council just a brief narrative of the appropriations that we've requested. One of them was for ZYFL for the AEDs. We had a situation at the high school for the jamboree and we actually had another one following up that, that next weekend. That's a not to exceed number of \$10,000. You'll notice there's two general professional services consulting. One's for \$61,580 – that's a not to exceed. That's the one that the Mayor said she would sign our contract with Baker Tilly once we have the appropriation approved which she was not willing to or, or stated legally she couldn't do it before that. And then you'll notice the \$20,000 underneath there. That's actually for an appropriation for the contract that she has already signed and didn't have the money for, for the reconciliation. So, those are those three

- particular appropriations. The rest of them I guess we can kinda, kinda work through.
- Burk Just to make sure we're clear on those and I mean I know Cindy and I have talked about this but for folks following along, obviously, you're pretty clear on the AEDs for –
- Poore Yes –
- Burk Football. Baker Tilly are already here. They're already working. I guess that's part of the first con, the second contract –
- Poore Correct, Yes.
- Burk That President Plunkett mentioned, there's an additional appropriation. Just to help folks following along, just talk about what Baker Tilly is doing here and what these dollars would go for.
- Poore Okay, so the not to exceed \$20,000, that's for Baker Tilly to come in and work on the 2023 bank reconciliations to get everything caught up. Those –
- Plunkett Which they're doing now.
- Poore They're doing now, yes and they have just put a second person on that so we can hopefully we'll be getting those back completed soon. The \$15,000 not to exceed is for internal controls compliance and actually that contract that did get sent to the Mayor this morning and I expect to get it back signed shortly.
- Plunkett That's the other one we requested for the internal controls. It is a little bit different than the initial contract that we'd sent over but I talked with Dan at Baker Tilly and the part that was removed wasn't, was a, essentially an Audit Department as opposed to an internal controls audit. That internal control audit is still taking place.
- Burk Perfect.
- Plunkett And he feels good about that being able to provide some benefit to us for what we need so.
- Garrett Cindy, why are we appropriating \$1.9 million dollars for the READI grant?
- Poore Those are the funds that will be coming in for the grant so they just have to be appropriated before they can be used for the Gateway Project for that, that's designated for that grant.
- Garrett It has to be used for the Gateway Project?
- Poore I believe that's what they, that's what they presented when they got the grant so yes.
- Garrett What's the timing of that funds having to be used?

- Poore That I would have to check. I'm not sure.
- Garrett We're having I guess I, a note to this Council, we're having a change in Administration in three months. I don't particularly want to appropriate \$1.9 million dollars that could be used between now and the end of the year. I'd rather appropriate it for the next Administration to figure out how to best use it for their vision of the Gateway Project so. If we appropriate it now, it could be spent before the end of the year just –
- Plunkett So we just need to know the timeline then.
- Lantz So the \$1.9 million is purely for design and engineering and primarily that is the realignment of First Street and kind of cleaning up that First/Main/Sycamore corridor we talked about for years. We have selected an engineer to design that as well as a pathway extension across Lions Park. You know how the pathway coming from Raintree kind of peters out and this brings it on across. So, within that \$1.9, it is all engineering and design and the portion I'm closely familiar with is the roadway realignment. So, if we wait we'll have to tell our consultant we have not contracted with them yet because this is a reimbursement grant meaning when the Town receives an invoice, it can then submit it for reimbursement. It's not a lump sum. So I just wanted to give you a little bit of background. If we, if we don't appropriate this or a portion of this, we can certainly wait for the, for the road and pathway design to actually begin in earnest but I just wanted to give you a little bit of background there.
- Garrett So, is the grant predicated on that specific project – the first realignment or is it just the Gateway area?
- Lantz It is specific to the infrastructure changes necessary to support the Gateway roadway realignment. One element that is part of this, as I recall, is design of a plaza so that is sort of an interior portion of the Gateway but the bulk of the design work is for utility relocation design, street design and pathway design.
- Garrett Hmm.
- Plunkett I mean I guess from my perspective, I don't know that we've received an update on the, we got one, we got one update on the progress of the READI grant or, I mean, I mean the Gateway Project from Corrie a few months ago but, but my understanding is since then properties changed hands, there's different owners, have we seen a vision for the Gateway Project?
- Garrett I can't tell you what it is right now. It's a lot of money to appropriate. I just, I'd want to know the timing of it. I mean I certainly don't want to lose those funds because it is a grant, a reimbursable grant but I'd also like to know what the money, even if it's reimbursable, like I appreciate that detail Lance but, if we can wait, I would wait.
- Plunkett Yes, I mean, it'd be good to understand the timing of that for sure.

Harris I don't have the actual READI grant details. I do know in the actual application packet which is a regional packet, there were sort of specific goals for the project and then specific timelines. I don't know, Lance, if you know what those timelines are. I know READI, there are pretty aggressive timelines in READI from the state so, I don't know if you have them. I was not –

Lantz Not off the top of my head.

Harris Involved in that.

Lantz The year 2025 sticks out in my head. I think that might, you must have to spend them by then but at least obligated but I don't off the top of my head.

Burk Is the expected timeline though for the work, right? So, obviously, the money is here we need to, you'd like to appropriate it to the engineering firms and the design but they're ready to begin? They're ready to start or have they already done any work?

Lantz We've done a lot of preliminary work on their good graces, not billable time, but we are already to the point where we need to actually get into, yes, the physical true design. The roadway configuration is as it was presented in the Gateway presentation which shows a shifting of Main Street, Zionsville Road, aligning with First Street so that, that hasn't strayed from the publicly vetted vision so. We'll do what you want to do. We're eager to get designing on the roadway elements but certainly ready to work with Council.

Garrett Is the appropriation, it's just sort of for contract, professional services, is there teeth behind that that it is tied directly to what you are asking for, Lance? In other words, it can't then be spent on some other study?

Harris Yes, it can't. So, I'm fairly certain and I'm trying to pull it up from before. Just with READI generally and like I said, I wasn't involved in this specific project but you do have to outline with pretty specific detail what you're going to spend the money on. I believe in the grant proposal that the Town put forward, I'm looking to Lance or someone that might've been more involved, that it was very specific to this First Street realignment and then the pre-engineering cost. I don't believe it can be spent once it's received from the state on a different purpose that the state is actually coming in to fund those projects and approving them with specificity but it maybe helpful, I don't know, if someone could come and give a READI update presentation or if we could get a copy of the Grant Agreement. I've never seen the Grant Agreement or time, timeline so I can't advise with any more than anecdotal from what I've heard from the IEDC's announcements.

Garrett This is a Resolution. It's a single vote. Is there any appetite from this Council to push it one meeting so we can get through the budget discussion to see where that ends up? This is a lot of money followed by a decent sized deficit coming in, which I'm not upset there's a deficit coming in because we sort of asked for that so we can figure out how to cut it back. So I don't have a problem with that but I'm just a little nervous voting for \$2.5 million bucks and then having the budget discussion.

- Burk Or what if we split it out even? We don't have to do everything in one –
- Plunkett Yes I mean, we can –
- Burk Vote.
- Plunkett We can –
- Garrett Yes –
- Plunkett We can split the, split the Resolution up correct? Right Heather?
- Harris Yes, you could just remove that single appropriation from the Resolution.
- Plunkett I mean I think –
- Burk I would like to get Baker Tilly going.
- Garrett Yes, I mean, it's just waiting two weeks. I mean I don't, I mean – I'm easy but it just, I wish we'd had this budget discussion before all the appropriations.
- Plunkett Well, I mean, from what, for what it's worth from my perspective, I'd like to, I would like to split it up as well. I've got questions about some of the Park, Park requests as well. Jarod, I've got – I'm sorry, I've kind of jumped up. Does anybody have any other questions with, for Lance or, or Cindy? Jarod, I've got an email from like September of last year where and, obviously, these, these Park requests, this is the fourth time we've heard these requests. The fourth time they're published. I guess I don't understand why we keep publishing them because we just continue the decision to vote on them. I don't know why we keep publishing them but I've got an email from or I've, I've come across an email from folks from the school and you and some other, some other folks that said that at Trailside specifically they are going to, they are going to be required to tear out trails in the relatively new future to accommodate certain, certain projects there. Given that, then the timeline that they do not have a safe in point yet, they believe that connection will need to happen further down the road when they're building the future north access drive. Has that changed?
- Logsdon They do not have a set time on when that school expansion will be.
- Plunkett So that has not changed then.
- Logsdon Uh –
- Plunkett That hasn't changed then. So I guess my point is like we're hearing a request today to have that connectivity and we've gotten emails from a number of different people about connect the trail to the school. This is not a function of connecting the trail to the school because the school doesn't have the ability to safety handle those students coming in based on this email.

- Logsdon So that was based around September that would've been an original route so we looped in Lance and his expertise and we found a route that was conducive to the bus traffic as well as them coming into the school property onto an existing sidewalk and then crossing that parking lot to get to the school safely so –
- Plunkett So the school has a different, different stance than they had before?
- Logsdon Yes, yes.
- Plunkett Okay. I, personally for me I have no problem completing that but I'd like to see that email from the school stating that they would like to have that done. I mean, again, based on what I have, I don't have that so.
- Logsdon And I could say that we have a temporary construction easement that was agreed upon after those conversations with the new proposed route so we all are on board. It's been reviewed by the Park Board attorney as well as the school attorney and we're ready to execute that if the funds are, become available.
- Plunkett Yes, I'd like to see that. I mean I asked a similar question in April when we first heard the appropriation and I didn't get any follow-up from that so. That'd be good to, that'd be good to have before we approve that. And, again, just to understand the process. Like we hold the public hearing which we'll open up here again shortly and we've already had it so we can bring these requests back and approve them at the next meeting. We don't have to hold another hearing because we've already done that four times for some of these so. Questions, any other questions for or from Councilors?
- Burk Just for the purposes again of folks who are listening – there's a pretty significant, and I know we've talked about it before but, pretty significant allocation on the Parks line and I know, Jarod, some of these are for different funds that you already have dollars for. Could you just quickly walk through the different pieces? I know you've got three different asks in here.
- Logsdon Yes, happy to do that. So the three asks are to accomplish three goals and that is to secure the remaining funding for the Rail Trail widening as well as maximize the utilization of our impact fees for park improvements and that final request was to fund the Rail Trail connection to Trailside Elementary and the existing Hampshire subdivision so. Unfortunately, the capital requests of the Parks Department were omitted from last year's budget process. We were able to adjust that in February with the pickleball court ask but the Rail Trail ask has been outstanding so just looking for some direction on that. Should this –
- Burk Real quick before you go to the next one – so, and the fund within your Parks budget is, that's restricted dollars that are already accounted for? You have the dollars in your budget to do that. Is that correct?
- Logsdon Yes and, specifically, Fund 403 can only be utilized for capital projects within the park system.
- Burk And what's that particular dollar amount for folks?

Logsdon Uh, \$300,000.

Burk Okay, thank you.

Logsdon To complete the widening of the Rail Trail.

Choi So, for these various projects we have four, Fund 403 and 473 to, the rest from project the Rail Trail trailhead and then you've got Fund 103 Park Operating for the trail, the Rail Trail to Trailside Elementary. Do, do you have the fund balances for these minus any kind of commitments already on the funds, against the funds?

Logsdon Yes, so, Fund 103 which is now the Operating Fund of Parks as well as the cash reserves that were historically separated sits at around \$1.7 million so it's nearly 100% additional funds to the operating expenses of the '23 budget. Fund 403 sits, sits at \$651,709.07 and the Fund 473, that's our impact fees, sits at just under \$2.1 million, \$2,095,184.26. And I really want to stress specifically with the impact fees so, we made a calculation of how many of those we could utilize for the trailhead project and then as we really deep dove into the impact fee plan and understanding how to best utilize them, we realized that we could also bundle in the expenses of running utilities to that amenity. So, because it's a trailhead there's sewer, electric and the like. So, we were able to allocate from the larger project an additional \$117,955.80 of expenses that we could use with our impact fees. So, impact fees are a very restricted use of those funds so every time development happens there is a kitty for these park funds that are used for the expansion and development of our park system. Within that study of the 5-year period, specific amenity deficits are determined by a committee and these funds can only go towards those amenities. So, this is from the 2012 Plan so, as you can imagine, our park system has grown a lot since 2012 and there are a lot of amenities that we've paid for that deficit of that amenity. So say we have three sun shelters and we built three more, historically we could've used these impact fees for those but now that that deficit is met and there's a surplus, we can't build the seventh sun shelter with these fees. So, really we're against the clock per se of finding amenities that we can utilize these funds for. So we're trying to be strategic and find the best use of these with every project moving forward.

Burk I guess what I'm trying to clarify is that much of what you're asking for are in impact fees or restricted dollars that are in budget balances that you feel are healthy and it's just a matter, it's not a matter of asking for new operational dollars in a budget knowing that we're getting ready to have a conversation about a \$12 million dollar gap that we have to close.

Logsdon Correct, Yes.

Plunkett Well these, these are funds that were omitted from the 2023 budget either –

Burk Right –

Plunkett One email we have says it was omitted by the Administration, another one says it was omitted by the previous CFO. I mean these are – Jarod, I sent you an email on April 10th requesting just a brief overview of what would happen, how the

revisions of these phases would take place if the appropriations were not approved. Obviously, we got an email back on like the 14th that just talks about the need and what you would have there. I still don't think I've necessarily seen acope of if they're not approved, what happens to the project, how does it get modified. So I guess I'm a little – certainly want to give you the opportunity to do that. I mean, again, that was back in April. So, I understand the significance of these projects and want to make sure we're doing, doing what we should be doing. I would also point out that many of these accounts are still not reconciled. We still don't know, we have the appropriation in here to help continue that reconciliation process but –

Garrett So, I mean one of the reasons why I just want to wait one more meeting, again, Jarod for Parks today you're asking for \$618,000 in additional appropriations. If I'm looking at the budget we're about ready to discuss, the budget request from the Parks Department are going from \$2.37 million to \$4.69 million. So you're asking for \$2.3 million dollars more than 2023 budget which is a 97% increase. As we go through this process, there may be things that get cut from that process that you actually may have more of a prioritization than the stuff you're asking for here today or maybe not – I think what you're saying makes sense but it almost feels like this is flip-flopped. Like I'd want to get through the budget stuff and then say all right, we got through the budget stuff, is this still the stuff you want now or are there things we just cut that you want more. Let's have that discussion. We don't have to drag it out so I think that's kind of driving my – is there anything here that can't wait two weeks? I'm not sure that, outside of maybe the financial audit stuff, I'm not sure that there is. So that, that's my only hesitation is I want to get through the budget stuff and I want to understand the justification for this increase as well as all the other department heads' increases and then get a better sense of all right, let's find two.

Choi I have a different question for you Jarod. Do all these other funds, Funds 103 and 473 that you gave the fund balances for, in all three of the fund balances there's no commitment on them for other projects already? Is that?

Logsdon The pickleball court has around \$20,000 outstanding for Fund 403 but that was already appropriated –

Choi Okay.

Logsdon Earlier this year and will be spent down. Fund 103 is just the operating, so just the remaining balances from our operating budget –

Choi Yes –

Logsdon And no other commitments from Fund 473.

Choi So, in comparison to your requests for allocation, appropriation, the funds look healthy except for 403. How is 403 funded?

Logsdon 403 is funded through the park improvement line within the Operating. So, each year that we underspend on that, those funds transfer to Fund 403 for future capital projects.

Choi Okay. So you have a balance of roughly \$651,000+ and you're asking for an appropriation of about \$300,000 plus the \$20,000 that hasn't been spent on the pickleball courts. Does that leave that at a precarious level or is that \$300,000 roughly buffer enough of a fund remaining to then carry us forward for any other projects?

Logsdon Yes and we do anticipate a slight recharge from this year's park impact or park improvement fees so we anticipate to underspend there so that's kind of –

Choi Yes. The other funds look healthy.

Logsdon Yes. That one's the leanest for sure.

Choi Yes. So that, a little worried there depending on what else you might want out of that fund going forward and what that recharge looks like in terms of revenue into that fund.

Logsdon Right, yep.

Burk Jarod, I know you've been back on these and this is something you would like to get done. I do think Councilor Garrett made a really smart point in that we're looking at budgets. We've seen the preliminary asks. There's a lot that has to be trimmed and I know I get that this is kind of the first go at it but it's, it, it's quite substantial for those folks who may not listen later. We got a \$40 million dollar revenue budget for the Town with a projected spend of \$52 million. So, we gotta trim \$12 million dollars and I get it's early in the process but you have a significant ask almost doubling your budget and I just want to make sure that these would be your priorities and, in fact, if you don't get the budget that you'd asked for which is unlikely, maybe you would change your mind and maybe you wouldn't but are you, are you, is it safe to say that it would be okay to wait two weeks to get through this preliminary conversation or in your mind is this you're 100% locked in that this is really what you would like to see happen?

Logsdon I mean, as the central spine of our park system, I feel the Rail Trail is one of our highest priorities as a whole and since this is an active project with active contracts, seeing this project is, I think, our biggest priority right now and we could scale back our ambitions for next year if necessary. What I really don't want us to get to a point where the contractor runs out of work because we paused a section and then we incur demobilization and remobilization fees. So really trying to keep the project moving as scoped and closed out this fall so it benefits our residents.

Burk Is there a portion within your three-pronged ask that is part of, I mean I can, we can all see the construction happening. Is there a part of that that is one piece has to move forward and the other two could wait? Is that fair?

Logsdon The Trailside project could easily wait at least one meeting or more. That is a, going to be a Department of Public Works project so Lance will be spearheading that and we're just happy to support and partner in that initiative. The impact fees we are looking to close out the trailhead project so utilizing those fees with that

project would free up those fees to go towards the Rail Trail project. That's the ambition with that. So that would, that would buy us some time as well. What, what my big concern is that the portion of trail we set out to pause as we're continuing on phase 2 unfortunately has been driven over as they were getting their egress from Mulberry tunnel so it's pretty well destroyed so should this not get funded, we'll likely have to close a portion of the trail or leave it in stone or something like that until we could get the allocations the following year so.

Burk Yes, right. If we do move forward with splitting this out, that was my point, as Parks doesn't have to also be packaged together it can be split out and to, and to President Plunkett's point. He'd like to see documentation from Trailside anyway. I feel like that portion is already going to be put on hold but I agree with you that on the portion that's really already under construction that that does feel like it's urgent and probably not something that would change based on the 2024 budget.

Plunkett So that would be the 403 correct Jarod?

Logsdon Yes and the impact fees utilization.

Plunkett And the impact fees you said?

Logsdon Yes.

Choi Anybody else want to parse anything else out?

Plunkett Cindy, can you, the land acquisition that is that something because this appropriation is closing costs, right? So if we wait longer there is a risk at that point that closing costs could go up or no?

Poore Yes probably about \$4,000 of it is just being short of what we budgeted anyway and then the rest is closing costs. So, I mean, with, with not doing this then basically we're just paying more interest –

Plunkett Yes.

Poore And I know if we carry this into next year that's about \$10,000.

Plunkett And that's the 402 Cumulative Capital Development Fund?

Poore Correct.

Plunkett Okay, okay. Lance, you want to go through 201? I know, obviously, you guys submitted your memos – much appreciated.

Lantz Sure. The two 201 Motor Vehicle Highway Fund items – one is \$178,000 and this harkens back to the previous Administration when the Town or the County kind of rushed to construct a failing bridge on Templin Road and asked the Town if we would contribute if they built a pathway like think Zionsville Road, some of the pathways that we've built now to get across a bridge to put a pedestrian facility on that bridge and the Town said yes. It was just a verbal agreement. We

said we'd wait until everything gets sorted out, we got final construction costs. They did apply a portion of a Crossings grant so what was originally an estimate of \$350,000 actually came in at about \$178,000. The other item of \$8,600 is, as you know, we have this new vetting or evaluation process for flasher crosswalks and the process is when we find a location that is deemed to be suitable or have warrants, we bring it to you, you pass your resolution and you further show your support by funding uniquely the flashing sign packages for those crossings. I'm happy to elaborate anymore.

Burk I don't think so. I'm just tracking on here it sounds like if we are going to have an opportunity to maybe split up this, this additional appropriation. It sounds like the Baker Tilly ask, the AEDs, some of Parks for the trails and the DPW are what we might want to move forward with? Is that what you're tracking, President Plunkett?

Plunkett Yes, I mean, I'm looking at the two Baker Tilly, the AEDs, the Motor Vehicle Fund, I mean, I'm certainly not, I certainly don't want, and the Cumulative Capital, Capital Development also – I certainly don't want expenses associated with tearing down equipment and bringing it back up, I just, I think maybe as we understand more about the impact fees, I mean, that, that's something that, that's the \$178,000 or no that's the \$117,000. I mean those seem to be a little bit easier to understand by way of where we are with an account balance and what's coming in and what's not and I would assume \$100,000 would help keep that project moving along. So I think from my perspective I would like to see that those go through. The Food and Beverage for, for the AEDs, general professional services both of those for Baker Tilly, the two Motor Vehicle Highway Funds, Park impact fee and the Cumulative Capital Development and then I would also remind the public we don't have to hold another public hearing at the next meeting, we just simply need these to be presented and we can vote to move them forward at that point once we get the additional information. So, that's what, that's where, that's where my head is. I'm certainly open to additional dialogue and communication about it if anybody's adamant one way or the other.

Poore Do you mind if I give you a little bit of information about the Police?

Plunkett Oh sure, Yes. Please.

Poore So even though it's an ask from their Operating account, it, it's for some building remodel because they, they've had some issues with, they need to replace carpeting and drywall, etc. The reason why this amount is so specific is that there is a grant fund that they had that has not seen activity since 2009 and probably with one of the September meetings you'll be getting a resolution to declare that fund dormant and this is the exact amount of those funds that will be moved into the Police Operating Fund once that happens. So these funds will be replaced.

Choi So, question again for Jarod – I thought in the conver, in what you presented that Fund 403 or the appropriation to, for the Big Trail widening and expansion project. That has stop/start costs associated with it if it does not get appropriated soon? Is that also true?

- Logsdon We would re-crunch the numbers with the impact fees allowing a little bit more funding but I think we could keep moving with just the impact fee allocation.
- Choi Okay.
- Logsdon My concern is what our change order for undercuts is going to be for that area that's destroyed from them driving over it but we'll address that down the road.
- Choi Okay.
- Logsdon And I didn't realize that Matt from the school is actually here if you wanted any formal approval of that agreement of the path to Trailside. I know we're going to postpone that vote but we could get that approval here as well.
- Plunkett Yes, I mean from my perspective it would certainly help to hear it and maybe move the needle on where we are with that.
- Melton Why aren't you in school?
- Doublestein Good morning. I'm Matt Doublestein with Zionsville Community Schools. Great question. I was, I'm not in school because I was watching your meeting and I heard President Plunkett's question and I was able to get here quickly. So forgive me if I missed something.
- ?? Wow. That's impressive.
- Doublestein Many people are grateful to Mr. Logsdon and Mr. Lantz for the time to work on this connection. Our residents and stakeholders have had questions about that connection for some time. In the interim, we have been able to make a connection to the 875 trail by way of sidewalks that are internal to 875 athletic and Trailside campus trail network is connected to the 875 trail. We were able to work through the locations indeed as Mr. Logsdon described that initial concern was about the early placement of that trail. It was going to dump out into the bus lot and we were concerned about safety there. This location as proposed by their team and vetted through the attorneys and the Easement Agreement is wonderful for us and we believe it would work well for residents and students on their way to school.
- Plunkett Perfect. For what it's worth Council, that's the guy that I had the original email so. I certainly appreciate that clarification.
- Doublestein Thank you.
- Plunkett Thank you.
- Burk That's one of the benefits of a long meeting.
- Plunkett One of them, right? Okay, well I mean that certainly changes the Operating line for me to to attach to Trailside.
- Burk Yes.

Plunkett All right, I'm going to open up the public hearing. Are there any other questions before I open the hearing here? All right so this is a public hearing and I have proof of publication of the public notice of the public hearing. At this point I'll open the hearing. If there's any members of the public who would like to comment – seeing none I will close the public hearing. So, I guess with that information and that would be 103 Operating, I would make a motion to approve Resolution 2023-14 with the exception of 403, 276. That's it.

Harris President Plunkett –

Plunkett Yes –

Harris Can I make just one observation? Would you consider amending your motion to put on hold the two appropriations instead of with exceptions. I don't want it to look like –

Plunkett Oh Yes, sure.

Harris It's a denial and then we would have to republish.

Plunkett Yes.

Harris Okay.

Plunkett No, Yes, that's a good, that's a good point. So I withdraw my initial motion and I would make a motion to put on hold then the appropriation 403 for the Parks Non-Reverting Capital Fund and 276 READI grant and I believe that was it.

Choi Second.

Plunkett Second by Councilor Choi. Heather, did we get that right?

Harris Yes.

Garrett So if you're voting yes for this you're approving the appropriations except the two that were put on hold?

Harris Correct and then those would just be brought back at a later date for future consideration without having to republish the public hearing since we've already had a public hearing.

Choi Is there a timeline within which they need to be brought back?

Harris There really isn't. I think we want to keep it somewhat fresh so if we go maybe past a couple meetings we might consider republishing but the public hearing just requires it be 10 days before consideration and you can't go up past the amount that was published. So you can go the amount and it's not saying that you will approve in the future, you would just reconsider –

Plunkett Right.

Harris At a future meeting.

Plunkett So we have a first by President Plunkett and second by Councilor Choi. All those in favor signify by saying aye.

Plunkett, Choi, Aye.
Culp, Burk,
Traylor, Melton

Plunkett All those opposed same sign.

Garrett Aye.

Plunkett Was that one or two down there?

Garrett Just, you too Craig?

Melton No, just one.

Garrett Just one.

Plunkett Motion passes 6 in favor 1 opposed.

Garrett Hey, President Plunkett –

Plunkett Yes?

Garrett Now that we have Councilor Culp here, would it be appropriate, could we go back to see and could we suspend the rules on the Salary Ordinance so that if we approve, Ms. Kiel can get going with her recruiting?

Plunkett Are we allowed to do that?

Harris You may, Yes, you may.

Garrett So I'll make a motion to suspend –

Traylor Do we need to? I mean, is there a need to rush it? Is she still here? I don't – oh, Yes.

Kiel I would like to start recruiting as soon as possible. We've been out without a position since May –

Traylor Okay.

Kiel And anticipate it's going to be October before we have somebody start.

Traylor All right, I just wanted to verify that there was an actual need to move it along.

Kiel Sure.

Garrett I'll make a motion to suspend the rules for Ordinance 2023-14 and move to a final reading.

Burk Second.

Plunkett First by Councilor Garrett, second by Vice President Burk. All those in favor signify by saying aye.

All Aye.

Motion passes 7 in favor, 0 opposed.

Garrett I'll then make a motion to approve Ordinance 2023-14 on final reading.

Melton Second.

Plunkett First by Councilor Garrett, second by Councilor Melton. All those in favor signify by saying aye.

All Aye.

Plunkett All those opposed same sign.
[No response]

Motion passes 7 in favor, 0 opposed.

Kiel Thank you so much.

Plunkett Thank you.

OTHER MATTERS

Plunkett All right, up next is Other Matters. Are there any other matters from Councilors?

ADJOURN

Garrett I'll make a motion to adjourn.

Plunkett First by Councilor Garrett.

Burk Second.

Plunkett Second by Vice President Burk. All those in favor signify by saying aye.

All Aye.

Plunkett All those opposed same sign.
[No response]

Motion passes 7 in favor, 0 opposed.

Zionsville Town Council
August 21, 2023

The next regular Town Council meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 5, 2023 at 7 p.m. in the Zionsville Town Hall Council Chambers. Please note the shift in days due to the Labor Day holiday. Public notice will be posted in compliance with the Indiana Open Door Law.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Town of Zionsville