

## ***Danville Town Council Meeting Minutes***

**April 2, 2025**

- I. **Call to Order:** Council President David Potter called the meeting of the Danville Town Council to order on April 2, 2025, at 7:00 p.m.
- II. **Roll Call:** Council President David Potter acknowledged a quorum of the Council. David Potter, Michael Chatham, Chris Gearld, Greg Irby, and Bret Doub were present. Town Manager Mark Morgan, Clerk-Treasurer Carrie Lofton, and Assistant Town Manager Will Lacey were present.
- III. **Approval of Minutes:** Bret Doub motioned to approve the meeting minutes from March 19, 2025, Special Called FPT meeting and Michael Chatham seconded. Motion passed 5-0. Greg Irby made a motion to approve the meeting minutes from the Council meeting held on March 19, 2025, and Michael Chatham seconded. Motion passed 5-0.
- IV. **Public Comment:** Town Manager Mark Morgan told the Council that he had no requests to speak. Mark told the Council that Sam Schrader with Baker-Tilly would join virtually on the phone.
- V. **Public Meeting:**
  - a) **Oath of Office: Danville Police Officer**—Clerk-Treasurer Carrie Lofton administered the Oath of Office to newly appointed Police Officer, Preston Terrell.
  - b) **Badge Pinning Ceremony: Danville Police Department**—Police Chief Jim Hilton announced the internal promotions of Nate Lien, Jonathan Wolf, and Travis Wilson. Jim then presented Officer Wolf and Officer Wilson with a badge pinning ceremony.
  - c) **Introduction of New Employee/Promotion: Wastewater Department**—Wastewater Superintendent Tony Kirkpatrick introduced new employee, Zach Meade, and the promotion of Wayne Herring to Assistant Superintendent. Town Manager Mark Morgan came forward and introduced Nathan Ford, the new Code Enforcement Coordinator.
  - d) **Wishes to be Heard: Street Closure**—Town Manager Mark Morgan presented a request for a street closure for Destination Danville's event in June. Bret Doub made a motion to approve the street closure and Chris Gearld seconded. Motion passed 5-0.
  - e) **Proclamation: Arbor Day**—Utility Director Barry Lofton presented a proclamation declaring April 25, 2025, as Arbor Day for the Town of Danville. Barry then had Town Manager Mark Morgan read the proclamation. Greg Irby made a motion to approve the proclamation and Bret Doub seconded. Motion passed 5-0.
  - f) **TIF: Management Report**—Town Planner Lesa Ternet introduced Sam Schrader with Baker-Tilly who presented the TIF Management Report to the Council.
  - g) **Resolution 2-2025: Fiscal Plan for Super-Voluntary Annexation**—Town Planner Lesa Ternet presented a resolution outlining the fiscal impact plan associated with the Super-Voluntary annexation of property located at 4011 E. Main Street. Chris Gearld made a motion to approve the Resolution and Bret Doub seconded. Motion passed 5-0.
  - h) **Ordinance 3-2025: Super-Voluntary Annexation**—Town Planner Lesa Ternet presented an ordinance for the Super-Voluntary Annexation of the property located at 4011 E. Main Street. Michael Chatham made a motion to approve Ordinance 3-2025 and Bret Doub seconded. Motion passed 5-0.

- i) **Ordinance 5-2025: Rezoning**—Town Planner Lesa Ternet presented an ordinance to rezone property that was annexed under Ordinance 3-2025. Greg Irby made a motion to approve Ordinance 5-2025 and Chris Gearld seconded. Motion passed 5-0.
- j) **Ordinance 8-2025: Summer Sewer Rates**—Clerk-Treasurer Carrie Lofton presented an ordinance to amend the summer sewer rates. This would allow residents to sign up at any time and to change the billing dates from May to September, which would be the June through October billings. Greg Irby made a motion to amend Section 5 of Ordinance 8-2025 regarding rescinding and Bret Doub seconded. Motion passed 5-0. Chris Gearld made a motion to suspend the rules and Greg Irby seconded. Motion passed 5-0. Greg Irby made a motion to approve Ordinance 8-2025 and Chris Gearld seconded. Motion passed 5-0.
- k) **CER: New Vehicle**—Wastewater Superintendent Tony Kirkpatrick presented a Capital Expenditure Request to purchase a new vehicle, due to adding another employee. Greg Irby made a motion to approve the CER request and Bret Doub seconded. Motion passed 5-0.
- l) **Look Ahead: Street Department**—Interim Street Department Superintendent Aaron Plunkett presented the long-term goals and projects for the Street Department. Town Manager Mark Morgan told the Council that he appreciated Interim Street Superintendent Aaron Plunkett for stepping up at short notice.
- m) **Fire Territory Appointments**—Town Manager Mark Morgan asked the Council who they wanted to appoint because they were in a time crunch. The Council discussed who they would want to do it. Greg Irby made a motion to add Chris Gearld to the Fire Territory appointment and Michael Chatham seconded. Motion passed 5-0. The Council decided to wait until the next meeting to decide on the other person.

#### **Staff and Council Comments:**

The Town Council received the following staff updates via email, from the following departments: Town Planner, Fire Department, Parks Department, Assistant Town Manager, Water Department, Wastewater, Community Engagement Coordinator, and Streets Department.

**Mark Morgan** asked the Council for consensus to add two firefighters with the Town paying for one and Center Township paying for the other one so the second Fire Station can be fully staffed. Consensus was given.

**Chris Gearld** thanked everyone.

**Greg Irby** said he had received an email from a 9-year-old about chickens. He said they may want to revisit the policy about not having chickens in the Town of Danville.

**Bret Doub** said congrats to all the new hires.

**Michael Chatham** thanked all the new hires. Mr. Chatham said that the Police had several awards & promotions at their last Board meeting.

**David Potter** thanked Jimmy Ray & Carson Saddler for the Blanton Woods clean-up day.

- VI. **Claim Docket**—Chris Gearld made a motion to approve the claim docket in the amount of \$1,554,230.47 and Greg Irby seconded. Motion passed 5-0.
- VII. **Payroll Docket**—Greg Irby made a motion to approve the payroll docket and Chris Gearld seconded. Motion passed 5-0.
- VIII. **Adjournment**—Bret Doub made a motion to adjourn, and Michael Chatham seconded. Motion passed 5-0. The meeting ended at 7:48 p.m.

ATTEST:

Danville Town Council:

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Carrie E Lofton, Clerk-Treasurer

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David Potter, Council President