

**TOWN OF MUNSTER**  
**MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE TOWN COUNCIL**  
**NOVEMBER 4, 2019**

A special meeting of the Munster Town Council convened at noon on Monday, November 4, 2019, at the Munster Town Hall. Present were Town Councilors Andy Koultourides, David B. Nellans, John P. Reed, and Joseph A. Simonetto. Councilor Lee Ann Mellon was absent. Councilor Koultourides presided. Also present were Clerk-Treasurer David F. Shafer, Controller, Patricia L. Abbott, Town Manager Dustin Anderson, Chief of Police Stephen F. Scheckel, and Town Attorney David W. Westland. The news media were not represented.

President Koultourides began the meeting with a moment of silence followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. Today's meeting was noticed as a special meeting because the Town Council opted to meet in the afternoon to facilitate the set-up required for tomorrow's election.

**PUBLIC HEARING: 2019 GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND**

Ordinance 1781 authorizing the issuance and sale of general obligation bonds and Ordinance 1782 authorizing the additional appropriations for the \$985,000 bond will be considered *infra*. The scope of work for the proposed 2019 general obligation bond issue has been developed as follows.

Public Works		
Street Replacement Program	\$272,700.00	
Sidewalk Replacement Program	75,000.00	
Replace #362 tandem dump truck	160,000.00	
Replace #342 front-end loader	140,000.00	
Replace #349 wing mower	45,000.00	
Replace #252 garbage truck	<u>140,000.00</u>	
Total, Public Works		\$832,700.00
Police Department		
Replace intersection cameras	\$ 25,000.00	
Replace bullet-proof vests	8,000.00	
Replace defibrillators	3,500.00	
Replace portable radios	25,000.00	
Update camera server system	<u>12,000.00</u>	
Total, Police Department		\$ 73,500.00
Fire Department		
Replace defibrillators	\$ 10,800.00	
Update portable radios	32,000.00	
Seal coat #2 Station parking lots	<u>16,000.00</u>	
Total, Fire Department		\$ 58,800.00
Costs of Issuance		<u>\$ 20,000.00</u>
Total		\$985,000.00

President Koultourides opened the floor for public comment. There being no one wishing to speak, the public hearing was closed.

## **OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**

Mr. Ron Smaron, 8648 Garfield Avenue, asked questions about the fountain at Ridge Road and Manor Drive, Aurelio's Pizza, the bike path, and the proposed train. Mr. Anderson explained that repairs to the fountain are on hold until it's known if NICTD will purchase the land for the proposed train. Aurelio's has all necessary permits and permissions from the Town to continue with construction.

No one else rose to claim the floor, and the floor was closed.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

### **ACCOUNTS PAYABLE VOUCHER REGISTERS**

Confirmation of Voucher Register #19-10N dated 10/22/19 totaling \$229.41  
Confirmation of Voucher Register #19-10O dated 10/22/19 totaling \$115,843.68  
Confirmation of Voucher Register #19-10P dated 10/24/19 totaling \$69,056.02  
Confirmation of Voucher Register #19-10Q dated 10/24/19 totaling \$3,841.15  
Confirmation of Voucher Register #19-10R dated 10/25/19 totaling \$362,154.03  
Confirmation of Voucher Register #19-10S dated 10/25/19 totaling \$330,153.91  
Confirmation of Voucher Register #19-10T dated 10/24/19 totaling \$341.13  
Confirmation of Voucher Register #19-10U dated 10/30/19 totaling \$49,798.00  
Confirmation of Voucher Register #19-10V dated 10/31/19 totaling \$591,558.32  
Confirmation of Voucher Register #19-10W dated 10/31/19 totaling \$8,013.92  
Approval of Voucher Register #19-11A dated 11/04/19 totaling \$142,493.97

Councilor Simonetto moved, with a second by Councilor Reed, to suspend the rules, waive the readings, and adopt the Consent Agenda as presented. Councilors Nellans, Reed, Simonetto, and Koultourides voted in favor; none voted against. Motion carried and the Consent Agenda was adopted as presented.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **ORDINANCE 1781: 2019 GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND ISSUE**

Proposed ORDINANCE 1781 is AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF MUNSTER, INDIANA, AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS TO PROVIDE FUNDS TO BE APPLIED TO THE COSTS OF DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION, RENOVATION, IMPROVEMENT AND/OR EQUIPPING OF CERTAIN CAPITAL PROJECTS WITHIN THE TOWN OF MUNSTER, INDIANA, PURCHASING CERTAIN EQUIPMENT AND PAYING MISCELLANEOUS COSTS IN CONNECTION WITH FOREGOING AND THE ISSUANCE SAID BONDS AND SALE THEREOF. This matter was the subject of a public hearing *supra*.

Councilor Simonetto moved, with a second by Councilor Nellans, to suspend the rules, waive the readings, and adopt Ordinance 1781 on first reading as presented. Councilors Nellans, Reed, Simonetto, and Koultourides voted in favor; none voted against. Motion carried and Ordinance 1781 was adopted on first reading as presented.

### **ORDINANCE 1782: 2019 GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND ISSUE**

Proposed ORDINANCE 1782 is AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF MUNSTER, INDIANA, APPROPRIATING THE PROCEEDS OF THE TOWN OF MUNSTER, INDIANA, GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS OF 2019, TOGETHER WITH ALL INVESTMENT EARNINGS THEREON, FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING FUNDS TO BE APPLIED TO THE COSTS OF DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION, RENOVATION, IMPROVEMENT AND/OR EQUIPPING OF CERTAIN CAPITAL PROJECTS WITHIN THE TOWN OF

MUNSTER, INDIANA, PURCHASING CERTAIN EQUIPMENT AND PAYING MISCELLANEOUS COSTS IN CONNECTION WITH FOREGOING AND THE ISSUANCE SAID BONDS AND SALE THEREOF. This matter was the subject of a public hearing *supra*.

Councilor Reed moved, with a second by Councilor Simonetto, to suspend the rules, waive the readings, and adopt Ordinance 1782 on first reading as presented. Councilors Nellans, Reed, Simonetto, and Koultourides voted in favor; none voted against. Motion carried and Ordinance 1782 was adopted on first reading as presented.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

(Unless state otherwise, all meetings of the Town Council begin at 7:00 p.m. at the Munster Town Hall.)

The Town Council will hold regular meetings on Monday, November 18, December 2, and 16, 2019. The Redevelopment Commission will hold special or regular meetings immediately following the Town Council meetings.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Council, and upon a motion by Councilor Nellans, seconded by Councilor Reed, the meeting adjourned at 12:11 p.m.

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**Andy Koultourides, President**

**ATTEST:**

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**David F. Shafer, Clerk-Treasurer**