To: President and Members of the Munster Town Council

Wendy Mis, IAMC Clerk-Treasurer From:

Copy to: Patricia L. Abbott, IAMC, MMC, Controller

Dustin Anderson, Town Manager

Date: October 5, 2020

Re: Ordinance 1806, 2021 Budget

At the September 21, 2020 meeting, the Council conducted the public hearing and had first reading on the ordinance for the 2021 budget.

Because the final, certified budget can never be higher than what was advertised, the budget estimates we advertised for 2021 are purposely overstated. The amounts in the ordinance are within the advertised amounts. It is anticipated that the final, certified budget will be less than what will be adopted, and the Town Council is ultimately responsible for finding that balance between providing adequate service and not exceeding statutory spending limits.

State statute requires that town budgets be submitted to the DLGF electronically. This is done through their Gateway website and will allow the public to access the information. Ordinance 1806 has been drafted to match the submittal that will be made through Gateway after budget adoption.

## RECOMMENDED ACTION:

By motion and roll-call vote, adopt introduced Ordinance 1806 on second reading as presented.