## TOWN OF MUNSTER MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE TOWN COUNCIL AUGUST 5, 2024

A meeting of the Munster Town Council convened at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, August 5, 2024. Ordinance 1830 is the basis for holding electronic meetings. The announced meeting location was Munster Town Hall, 1005 Ridge Road, Munster, Indiana. Councilors, Staff, and the public had the option to participate via Zoom meeting technology.

Councilors George Shinkan, Joseph G. Hofferth, Chuck Gardiner, Jonathan Petersen, and David B. Nellans were physically present at Town Hall. Also present in Town Hall were Clerk-Treasurer Wendy Mis, Controller/Interim Town Manager Patricia Abbott, Police Chief Steve Scheckel, Fire Chief Mark Hajduk, Town Attorney Dave Westland, Interim Director of Operations Chris Spolnik, and Munster Representative to the Hammond Sanitary District Mike Hawkins. Representatives from the media were not present.

President Nellans presided and opened the meeting with a moment of silence, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

## SPECIAL AWARD

Police Chief Stephen Scheckel presented Sargent Jack DeLeeuw with the Meritorious Service Award for going above and beyond in the line of duty.

### PUBLIC COMMENT

The Town of Munster accepts public comments submitted both in-person and electronically. The public was informed, via the agenda posted at munster.org, that questions or comments about an item on the agenda were to be emailed to <u>wmis@munster.org</u>. All in-person public comments are limited to two minutes and limited to a total of twenty minutes for the public comment section.

Mr. Mike Dujmovic, 1833 Tulip Lane, asked for an update when Chestnut would be completed.

<u>Mr. Greg Starcevich, 9501</u> Cottonwood Drive, shared that speeding continues in his neighborhood of Azelea, Camelia and believes additional stop signs would help.

<u>Mr. Mike Englert</u>, 113 Beverly Place, shared surveys were collected and turned into Public Works regarding Beverly Place.

<u>Mr. Mike Bacino</u>, 8108 Oakwood Avenue, is a volunteer leader with For the Love of Munster and they have organized four neighborhood clean ups, each clean up has generated 10-15 bags of trash. The next clean up is scheduled for August 24<sup>th</sup> from 9 -12 pm at White Oak Park.

<u>Mr. Michael Goepfert,</u> 10380 Oxford Place, stated that using TIF funds are not sustainable for projects other than infrastructure. Just because we can use the funds for public safety doesn't mean we should.

<u>Mr. Tom Jurich</u>, 1839 Magnolia, (Clerk-Treasurer note, did not sign public speaker form,) stated Chestnut is a mess with construction and the block parties over the past weekend were good.

<u>Mrs. Chist Fort, 9128</u> Whit, (Clerk-Treasurer note, resident signed in as Chist Fort, 9128 Whit, known name and address is Christine Fortney, 9128 White Oak Avenue,) shared she supports increasing police wages.

Clerk-Treasurer Mis shared a summary of emails were submitted electronically. Fifty emails were no to Ridge Road and seventeen were in favor. One recommendation for no parking on Fran Lin Parkway. One response to the personal attack during the July 15 public comments and a clarification of the role of NIRPC and their importance to projects in Munster. One comment is that the mulch in Bluebird Park looks good. Three emails questioned the relationship between NIRPC and the Ridge Road project. One email supported the CVPA and arts and 33 did not want the Town to get involved with the CVPA. One email complimented Councilor Petersen's involvement in ESG. One mail questioned the status of the construction around Chestnut. One email stated with the closing of Terrace at State Line are there plans to close access at State Line north of Ridge.

### CONSENT AGENDA

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Minutes of a regular meeting held on July 15, 2024

# ACCOUNTS PAYABLE VOUCHER REGISTERS

Confirmation of Voucher Register #24-6L dated 06/30/24 totaling \$2,036,071.49 Approval of Voucher Register #24-6M dated 06/30/24 totaling \$172,414.62 Confirmation of Voucher Register #24-7H dated 07/18/24 totaling \$504,136.07 Confirmation of Voucher Register #24-7I dated 07/18/24 totaling \$150.00 Confirmation of Voucher Register #24-7J dated 07/25/24 totaling \$557,668.28 Confirmation of Voucher Register #24-7K dated 07/26/24 totaling \$616,920.15 Confirmation of Voucher Register #24-8A dated 08/01/24 totaling \$225,069.45 Approval of Voucher Register #24-8B dated 08/05/24 totaling \$360,143.75

### **TREASURER'S REPORT**

June 2024 Treasurer's Report was presented.

#### WATER LEAK ADJUSTMENTS 2024-38 THROUGH 2024-40

Staff received requests for adjustment under the leak adjustment policy adopted by the Town Council on April 8, 2013. The customers have completed the required form, and the requests meet all the criteria for adjustments as follows:

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Adjustment	Average	Actual	Length	0	Driginal	A	ljustment	А	djusted
Number	Usage	Usage	of Time		Bill		Amount		Bill
2024-38	23,000	96,000	1 month	\$	579.66	\$	427.26	\$	152.40
2024-39	14,000	159,000	1 month	\$	926.15	\$	830.60	\$	95.55
2024-40	17,000	72,000	2 months	\$	465.51	\$	235.95	\$	229.56

#### SIDEWALK WAIVER OF FEES

At the October 16, 2023, meeting, the Council adopted Ordinance 1920 to provide financial relief from the costs of the 50/50 Sidewalk Replacement Program. Under the ordinance, homeowners with a household median income equal to or less than 40% of the most recent United States Census Bureau Household Median Income can have the sidewalk replacement fees waived. As of June 2024, the median income was listed as \$101,851.00 with 40% equaling \$40,740.40.

Staff received one request for a waiver under this policy. The homeowner completed the Request for Waiver of Costs form, presented the required income tax returns, and was found to have met the income threshold. The full cost of sidewalk replacement was \$325.00 with the homeowner portion to be waived being \$162.50.

Councilor Shinkan moved, with a second by Councilor Petersen, to suspend the rules, waive the readings, and adopt the Consent Agenda as presented. Councilors Shinkan, Hofferth, Gardiner, Petersen, and Nellans voted in favor; none voted against. Motion passed.

#### NEW BUSINESS

#### **RESOLUTION 2137: MISSION SQUARE PLAN SPONSOR**

Proposed RESOLUTION 2137 is A RESOLUTION NAMING THE PLAN SPONSOR FOR MISSION SQUARE. Mission Square provides the Town of Munster's deferred compensation program. In order to handle the day-to-day administration of the plan, Council must pass a resolution authorizing the Interim Town Manager. This will give authority to sign documents for new employees to register with the program and other similar transactions.

Councilor Gardiner moved, with a second by Councilor Hofferth, to adopt Resolution 2137 to name Controller/Interim Town Manager Patricia Abbott the Plan Sponsor for the Town of Munster MissionSquare 457 Deferred Compensation and IRA Plans. Councilors Shinkan, Hofferth, Gardiner, Petersen, and Nellans voted in favor; none voted against. Motion carried.

#### **ORDINANCE 1960: ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS (4)**

Proposed ORDINANCE 1960 is AN ORDINANCE FORE THE ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION OF FUNDS FOR THE YEAR 2024 (4). At the February 19, 2024, Meeting, Council approved the purchase of a total of twenty police vehicles to begin the take home program and an approximate cost of \$2 million. This will be paid directly from the TIF Fund to the vendors. Ordinance 1940 approved salary increases for the Police. The TIF Fund will be used to support a portion of the additional payroll costs by making a regular monthly transfer from the TIF Fund to the General Fund. The total additional appropriation request is \$2.5 million.

The General Fund needs an additional appropriation to make the actual payroll and benefit payments. The total additional appropriation request is \$500,000.00.

The procedure for securing additional appropriations requires a public hearing, scheduled for August 19, 2024, and the adoption of an ordinance by the Town Council. Ordinances normally have two

readings. The TIF Fund is considered "reporting only," and the DLGF does not approve or deny these. Upon passage of the ordinance, the additional appropriation will be in effect and the information forwarded to the DLGF for reporting purposes only. Upon passage of the ordinance, the General Fund request will be submitted to the DLGF for their review and authorization.

Councilor Hofferth moved, with a second by Councilor Shinkan, hear proposed Ordinance 1960 for additional appropriations on first reading, and schedule a public hearing and second reading for August 19, 2024. Councilors Shinkan, Hofferth, Gardiner, Petersen, and Nellans voted in favor. Motion carried.

#### **ORDINANCE 1961: AMENDMENT #3 TO 2024 SALARY ORDINANCE**

Proposed ORDINANCE 1961 is AMENDMENT #3 TO THE 2024 SALARY ORDINANCE. Ordinance 1926 established the 2024 Salary Ordinance and was adopted December 4, 2023. Ordinances 1940 and 1953 were amendments 1 and 2 respectively. The Police Department is looking to reorganize and increase its overall number of sworn officers as explained in their memo dated July 19, 2024. To accomplish their goals, the following amendments are needed in the salary ordinance.

- 1. Increase the number of authorized First Class Officers from 32 to 35
- 2. Increase the number of authorized Sergeants from 9 to 11
- 3. Create the position of Deputy Chief

There is also a ministerial amendment to include Resolutions 2126, 2127, and 2135. These are the resolutions for the Interim Town Manager position. Because there are salary and benefit components to these resolutions, they must be made part of the annual salary ordinance.

Councilor Petersen moved, with a second by Councilor Shinkan to consider Ordinance 1961 on first reading and schedule second reading for the next regular meeting.

A lengthy discussion ensued. Councilor Shinkan called to question which was seconded by Councilor Petersen.

Councilors Shinkan, Hofferth, Petersen, and Nellans voted in favor of Ordinance 1961. Councilor Gardiner voted against. Motion carried.

### ALL CITY MANAGEMENT SERVICES AGREEMENT RENEWAL

On July 27, 2015, the Town of Munster entered into a contract with All City Management Services to provide crossing guards for predetermined intersections. This was a result of the School Town of Munster discontinuing the bus service to any student that lived within a one (1) mile radius from their respective school. Although this decision resulted in a substantial cost to the Town of Munster, the services provided to the Town have been more than satisfactory.

After signing with All City Management Services in 2015, our rates were increased every year, thus increasing our expenses. In 2018, at the direction of the Town Council, Staff reached out to All City Management about the Council's displeasure with the constant increases regarding the contract, and that other avenues would be pursued if the rate increases continued every school year. As a result, All City Management locked in a rate of \$18.89 per hour, for the 2020-2021 and 2021-2022 contracts, thus resulting in no price increase for two (2) years. With the drastic changes

in the labor market beginning in 2023, All City has raised the rate annually in order to offer competitive wages.

The hourly rate will increase from \$26.72 from \$24.30/hour. The projected hours are 6,120, making the total for the new contract forecasted at \$163,526.40, an increase of over \$15,000.00 from last school year.

Councilor Hofferth moved, with a second by Councilor Shinkan, to authorize Interim Town Manager Patricia Abbott to sign accordingly on behalf of the Town of Munster, the 2024-2025 contract with All City Management Services. Councilors Shinkan, Hofferth, Gardiner, Petersen, and Nellans voted in favor; none voted against. Motion carried.

### **POLICE VEHICLE EQUIPMENT PURCHASES**

At the February 19, 2024, meeting the Town Council approved the purchase of take-home vehicles for sworn officers of the Police Department. The vehicles have been ordered as well as the necessary equipment. Following is the list of equipment currently ordered.

AED Professionals	Defibrillators	\$ 27,880.20
Motorola	Car radios	\$141,843.48
Axon	Camera systems	\$236,392.20
Baycom	Computers	\$ 99,380.00
Chicago Communications	Emergency Equipment	<u>\$379,482.83</u>
	TOTAL	\$887,978.71

The Axon camera systems will be paid over a five-year period at no additional cost. Additional equipment is yet to be ordered. Council approval will be sought as required.

Councilor Gardiner moved, with a second by Councilor Hofferth, to approve the abovelisted equipment purchases to outfit the new take-home vehicles. Councilors Shinkan, Hofferth, Gardiner, Petersen, and Nellans voted in favor; none voted against. Motion carried.

#### ENGAGEMENT LETTER: CAPITAL ASSETS

Every year the Town is responsible for updating its capital asset information for financial reporting purposes. During the past several years, Peterson Consulting Services, Inc. of La Grange, Illinois, has assisted the Town in implementing the Governmental Standards Accounting Board (GASB) Statement No. 34 which prescribes financial reporting requirements for state and local governments to make annual reports more thorough and easier to use.

Staff recommends continuing the engagement of Peterson Consulting Services who would reexamine the provisions of GASB Statement No. 34 regarding capital assets, offer suggestions pertaining to the reporting of asset additions and retirements, provide input on the reporting of construction-in-progress (CIP), aid in capitalizing CIP, formulate year-end capital asset worksheets and summary schedules, create a Consolidated Summary Schedule, and provide guidance for strengthening Munster's capital asset policies and procedures for the year ending December 31, 2024.

The price has increased \$100.00 from last year to \$4,250.00. The project cost will be divided among the General, Motor Vehicle Highway, Park & Recreation, Technology, Sewer Maintenance, Water Cash Operating, and Solid Waste Management Funds.

Councilor Shinkan moved, with a second by Councilor Hofferth, to confirm the letter of engagement with Peterson Consulting Services, Inc. at an amount not to exceed \$4,250.00. Councilors Shinkan, Hofferth, Gardiner, Petersen, and Nellans voted in favor; none voted against. Motion carried.

### ENGAGEMENT LETTER: SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT FEES

The Town of Munster charges a monthly fee on the water utility bill to support the costs associated with the collection of residential garbage, recycling, leaves and branches. This fee is the primary source of revenue for the Solid Waste Management Fund.

Over the past four years, Staff has taken a pro-active approach with the landfill and the methane generator located there. This has focused on regular tuning and balancing of the well field and performing repairs as they are identified. These ongoing costs were not contemplated in the current monthly rate.

At the April 15, 2024, meeting Council approved repairs to the leachate collection system. At the May 20, 2024, meeting Council approved a more extensive repair to the well field system; additional repairs are expected when the regular groundwater testing is performed at the end of this summer. This work will likely need to be completed this winter to avoid issues with the golf course. These costs were not known during the calculation of the current rate. The new methane generator is scheduled for installation in the first half of 2025, and there will be trailing expenses associated with it.

Financial Advisor Baker Tilly has provided an engagement letter to perform a rate analysis to determine the appropriate rates to ensure the costs of collection and the ongoing needs of the landfill are met. Staff anticipates a multi-year rate being adopted to keep up with the ever-increasing costs of providing these services and meeting our obligations with the landfill.

The cost is not to exceed \$10,000.00 and will be paid from either the Solid Waste Management Fund or the General Fund.

Councilor Hofferth moved, with a second by Councilor Shinkan, to approve the engagement letter dated July 9, 2024, from Baker Tilly for a solid waste management fee analysis at a cost not to exceed \$10,000.00. Councilors Shinkan, Hofferth, Gardiner, Petersen, and Nellans voted in favor; none voted against. Motion carried.

#### **METHANE GENERATOR MAINTENANCE PLAN**

At the March 4, 2024, meeting, Council approved the purchase of a new Jenbacher JMC208 gas-to-energy generator for the landfill at Centennial Park. The unit is on schedule to arrive in

early 2025. Clarke Energy USA, Inc. has submitted a proposal dated June 17, 2024 for planned maintenance on the new unit.

Keeping machinery tuned and updated to the manufacturer's specifications is a necessary process to ensure the most efficient operation and to meet the anticipated lifespan of this large investment. It is also necessary to help meet the requirements of the Indiana Department of Environmental Management for having the type of landfill Munster has.

The cost of the agreement is based on the number of operating hours with the base rate of \$6.09/operating hour. The hourly rate is indexed annually, and the anticipated number of operating hours is reviewed annually. Approving this agreement now locks in the rates before the anticipated rate increases of 2025. The planned maintenance would not begin until after installation of the new unit. The estimated annual cost is between \$20,000.00 and \$50,000.00. These costs will be from the Solid Waste Management Fund.

Councilor Shinkan moved, with a second by Councilor Hofferth, to approve the Clarke Energy proposal dated June 17, 2024 for the planned maintenance proposal of the gas-to-energy generator. Councilors Shinkan, Hofferth, Gardiner, Petersen, and Nellans voted in favor of the original motion; none voted against. Motion carried.

### **CHANGE ORDER: 2024 PAVING AND WATERMAIN IMPROVEMENTS**

The project called for an 8" insertion valve on the watermain on Camellia Drive at Southwood Drive. At the time the work was being performed, the contractor discovered the pressure in the main was too great to stop the water flow enough to allow this to be done. Instead, a hot tap to reduce the water pressure was needed.

Rieth-Riley immediately requested a change order for the change in work and the increased cost of \$11,721.00. Because the situation required immediate action, I signed Change Order 2 to authorize the work. This evening is the first opportunity for Council to confirm that action.

The original contract for this work was \$5,197,079.33; Change Order 1 brought the contract total to \$5,224,379.33. Change Order 2 will bring the total to \$5,236,100.33.

Councilor Petersen moved, with a second by Councilor Shinkan, to confirm Change Order 2 to Rieth-Riley for the 2024 Paving and Water Main Improvements in the amount of \$11,721.00 bringing the contract total to \$5,236,100.33. Councilors Shinkan, Hofferth, Gardiner, Petersen, and Nellans voted in favor; none voted against. Motion carried.

#### **CHANGE ORDER: CCMG 2024-2 ENGINEERING**

At the July 15, 2024, meeting, Council approved the engagement letter from SEH to perform the design and construction engineering work needed for the CCMG 2024-2 project at a cost not to exceed \$115,000.00. At the time of award, the project included Cardinal Drive, Oakwood Court, Heather Drive, and Woodlawn Avenue.

During the application process, it was discovered that the total request for CCMG funds was under the maximum allowed. Staff and SEH were directed to identify other roadwork to be performed in order to maximize the possible grant funding. As a result, Broadmoor Avenue from Calumet Avenue to Columbia Avenue was added to the scope of work. This change requires additional work not included in the agreement with SEH.

SEH has presented the cost breakdown for Broadmoor and is requesting an increase in fees of \$19,300.00.

Councilor Gardiner moved, with a second by Councilor Hofferth, to approve the additional fees as outlined in the July 26, 2024, proposal from SEH bringing the total authorized for CCMG 2024-2 engineering services to \$134,300.00. Councilors Shinkan, Hofferth, Gardiner, Petersen, and Nellans voted in favor; none voted against. Motion carried.

### MANOR AVENUE ROADWORK

Work on the West Lake Corridor train line started last year. During the construction there was extensive use of heavy equipment along Manor Avenue. This work led to serious road damage. Staff worked with the NICTD contractor FH Paschen on a punch list of things that need to be addressed in the area, and the restoration of Manor Avenue was high on the priority list.

FH Paschen has arranged for Rieth-Riley to mill and overlay Manor Avenue from Broadmoor Avenue north to Gregory. Staff wants to complete the roadwork to the northern terminus of the road. Rieth-Riley will invoice the Town for this section at the same pricing FH Paschen negotiated. The quoted price is \$31,231.20 and will be paid from the Motor Vehicle Highway-Restricted Fund.

Councilor Shinkan moved, with a second by Councilor Hofferth, to approve the Rieth-Riley Proposal dated August 1, 2024, at an amount not to exceed \$31,231.20. Councilors Shinkan, Hofferth, Gardiner, Petersen, and Nellans voted in favor; none voted against. Motion carried.

#### **GAS PEDESTAL SYSTEM**

The existing gas pedestal unit has reached the end of its life and cannot be repaired. Staff reviewed different systems that work with the existing pumps and leak system. The Dover AX7 system tracks the vehicle, department, and person fueling up at the Garage. This is a beta version and is being offered at a 50% discount. Staff feels this is the best option as it offers what is needed without extra features that would not be used. B & K Equipment is local and very responsive to calls for assistance.

The total cost for this work is \$10,980.00 and will divided among the operating funds that use the fuel pumps.

Councilor Shinkan moved, with a second by Councilor Gardiner, to approve the purchase of a new Dover AX7 gas pump pedestal system at a cost not to exceed \$10,980.00. Councilors Shinkan, Hofferth, Gardiner, Petersen, and Nellans voted in favor; none voted against. Motion carried.

### PUMP STATION WORK

The River Bend and Calumet Avenue Pump Stations had new pumps installed in 1994. While proper maintenance has occurred, the time has come to make some repairs and upgrades to include the following.

- 1. Pump #1 and Pump #3 at River Bend need complete rotating unit replacements. Lead time for the units is six to eight weeks. Once the new unit is installed, the old unit will be rebuilt and available for Town use if and when other pumps need repair. The cost for this work is \$59,610.00.
- 2. Pump #3 at Calumet Avenue is currently not working and must be repaired. The total cost for this is \$11,820.00.
- 3. The existing reservoir fill valve control panel at River Bend is obsolete and needs replacement. This work will include a new SCADA panel, testing, and training. The cost for this work is \$31,872.00.

The total cost for this work is \$103,302.00 and will be paid from the 2024 Water Bond Anticipation Notes.

Councilor Gardiner moved, with a second by Councilor Shinkan, to approve quotations from Metropolitan Pump Company totaling \$103,302.00 for new rotating unit replacements at Pump #1 and Pump #3 at the River Bend Pump Station, repairs to Pump #3 at the Calumet Avenue Pump Station, and a new reservoir fill valve control panel at the River Bend Pump Station. Councilors Shinkan, Hofferth, Gardiner, Petersen, and Nellans voted in favor; none voted against. Motion carried.

### **ADVANCED METERING INFRASTRUCTURE (AMI)**

Water meters are read once a month as part of the water billing process. A staff member drives the entire Town to collect the readings which are then downloaded into the billing software. At that point, accounts with unusually high usage are identified and Staff contacts customers to help them identify potential leaks and other problems. These high usage situations often result in the water leak adjustments Council sees on the Consent Agenda.

Technology known as Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) allows for meters to be read remotely from various collector points at regular intervals. This eliminates the staff time needed to read meters. Because AMI meters collect usage data in real time, Water Billing personnel can identify unusual usage more quickly. This in turn can reduce lost water saving both the customer and the Town money.

The meters currently in Munster homes are AMI-ready. All that is needed to use them is the installation of data collectors. Staff have discussed this with Utility Supply Company, our vendor for water meters, on several occasions. Utility Supply Company (USC) has done a propagation study to identify the optimal number of locators and best location for their installation. A total of four collectors are recommended to provide sufficient coverage and redundancy. One would be mounted on each of the White Oak Avenue, Superior Avenue, Ridge Road water towers. The fourth location would require either a pole be erected in the Burlwood Park area. Staff is working with the Town of Highland to mount a collector on their water tower located near Indianapolis Boulevard by Meijer. The propagation study shows this would provide Munster the needed coverage. If this option does not come to fruition, either cellular meters would be installed in homes that were not being captured or Staff would read the meters in the traditional way.

USC would handle the equipment order which is \$66,000.00 and NECO would provide the installation at a cost of \$57,052.56. The equipment is specific to the current meters in place and would be covered by the Special Purchasing Methods statute IC 5-22-10-8. The project will be funded by the Water BAN.

Councilor Hofferth moved, with a second by Councilor Shinkan, to approve the purchase and installation of AMI data collectors as described in the Utility Supply Company quote dated February 23, 2024. Councilors Shinkan, Hofferth, Gardiner, Petersen, and Nellans voted in favor; none voted against. Motion carried.

### **RIVER BEND TANK MAINTENANCE**

The River Bend Water Tank was inspected by IDEM on March 6, 2024, and two significant deficiencies were found including rust spots, peeling paint and damaged concrete at the base of the tank. To come into compliance with IDEM, SEH inspected the tank, performed the work necessary to identify the solutions, and created bid specifications for the repair work.

With the solution identified, SEH has provided a proposal to design the work to be completed. They have crews that travel performing this type of work and there is a crew that will be in the area with availability in September. SEH recommends taking steps to secure this crew because there is a coating that must be applied to the tank which needs warm temperatures for proper adherence. In addition, there is a time frame that must be met for IDEM compliance.

The design scope includes power washing the tank exterior, removal of unsound concrete, repair of spalled concrete and spot painting. The proposal also includes construction document preparation, quote and contract administration, and construction observation/inspection services.

The total cost for this work is \$22,275.00 and will paid from the Water Cash Operating Fund.

Councilor Shinkan moved, with a second by Councilor Hofferth, to approve the SEH proposal dated June 28, 2024, for engineering services on the River Bend Tank Maintenance Project at a cost not to exceed \$22,275.00. Councilors Shinkan, Hofferth, Gardiner, Petersen, and Nellans voted in favor; none voted against. Motion carried.

#### **PORTFOLIO REPORTS**

Clerk-Treasurer Mis reported from the AIM Medical Trust Board and Member meetings that the Medical Trust is in a strong financial position with 64 members participating, 5 units in underwriting, covering 4,710 individuals for their medical insurance. The medical insurance

industry is experiencing a 10 - 15% increase in premium, and the AIM Medical Trust will not exceed 3% in 2025.

Councilor Gardiner shared the next Munster Civic Foundation meet will be held on Monday August 19, 2024.

#### <u>ANNOUNCEMENTS</u>

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

The Town Council will hold a regular meeting on Monday, August 19, 2024. The Redevelopment Commission will hold a regular meeting immediately following.

#### ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council, and upon a motion by Councilor Shinkan and seconded by Councilor Gardiner, the meeting adjourned at 8:07 p.m. by voice vote.

ATTEST:

David B. Nellans, President

Wendy Mis, Clerk-Treasurer