

The Regular Town Council Meeting of the Town of Schererville, IN was called to order by President Thomas Schmitt at 7:08 p.m. in the Schererville Town Hall, 10 E. Joliet Street Schererville, IN.

Attendance was taken with the following Council Members present: Caleb S. Johnson, Kevin Connelly, Robin Arvanitis, Rob Guetzloff and Thomas Schmitt. Staff members present: Attorney David Austgen, Fire Chief Robert Patterson, Police Chief Pete Sormaz, Deputy Police Chief Steve McNamara, Park Superintendent John Novacich, IT Robbie Hansen, Town Engineer Neil Simstad, Director of Public Works Chad Nondorf, Director of Operations Andy Hansen, Town Manager Jim Gorman, Clerk-Treasurer Michael Troxell and Recording Secretary Robin Thiel.

THEREUPON, Approval of the minutes. Mr. Guetzloff made a motion to approve the minutes of the May 10, 2023 Public Meeting, seconded by Mr. Connelly. All in favor (5-0).

THEREUPON, Claims

- A. APV #108579 - APV #109158 on the General Docket, Totaling \$2,512,946.23
- B. APV #108582 - APV #109158 on the MVH Docket, Totaling \$131,717.11
- C. APV #108682 - APV #108982 on the Payroll Docket, Totaling \$1,176,923.85
- D. Various Funds, First National Bank of Omaha, Credit Card Charges, \$14,903.69
- E. Various Funds, Enterprise Rent-A-Car, Vehicle Lease, \$3,346.64
- F. Ambulance Fund, Blue & Co., LLC, FYE 2022 Medicaid Ambulance Cost Report, \$5,000.00
- G. Various Funds, Austgen Kuiper Jasaitis, May Legal, \$19,893.22
- H. Park Bond 2018 Fund, DLZ LLC, Pmt. #13-Pennsy Greenway, Phase IV, Invoice #705628, \$4,395.27
- I. Various Funds, Colby & Co., Invoice #CC107, \$46,590.00
- J. Promotion Fund, Faith Church, Highland, Donation In Memory Of David Lee Meyer, \$100.00
- K. Donation Fund - National Night Out, The Bounce House Company, LLC, Invoice #23-016, \$2,300.00
- L. ARPA Funds, Quality Mechanical, Inc., Pmt. #5 HVAC, \$95,983.72
- M. Various Funds, Rothschild Insurance Agency, Multiple Invoices, \$1,424.00
- N. Park Bond 2018 Fund, Milestone Contractors, Invoice #228702-06a, \$437,345.52
- O. 2016 Taxable G.O. Bond Dbt. Svc. Fund, Huntington National Bank, Principal + Interest Due, \$112,987.50
- P. Park Dist. Bond Debt 2004 Fund, Wells Fargo, Interest Due, \$11,270.00
- Q. Park Dist. Bonds, Ser. 2018 Debt Service Fund, Huntington National Bank, Principal + Interest Due, \$400,148.72
- R. Public Safety, Motorola, Annual Lease Payment, \$56,282.52
- S. Public Safety Funds, Peoples Bank, Principal and Interest Due (2020 Fire Truck), \$65,472.98
- T. Public Safety Funds, Methodist Hospital, EMT-Paramedic Class Installments, \$4,020.00
- U. Public Safety Funds, Franciscan Health EMS Academy, EMT-Paramedic Class Installment, \$1,500.00
- V. General Fund - Police, Cintas, May Cleanings, \$2,349.96
- W. Donation Fund, Blue Peak Tents, NNO Tent, \$4,050.00
- X. Various Funds, Napa, Parts, \$531.51
- Y. Park Non-Reverting Fund, Sunbelt Rentals, Festival Generators, \$3,204.48
- Z. Public Safety Fund, Lake County Auditor, Spillman Software Agreement, \$13,809.92
- AA. Solid Waste Fund, Republic Services, Monthly Trash Service, \$190,989.77
- BB. General Fund - Police, Rothschild Insurance Agency, Inv. # 62632, \$176.00

Mr. Guetzloff made a motion to approve the claims as submitted, seconded by Mr. Johnson. All in favor (5-0).

THEREUPON, Correspondence NONE

THEREUPON, Reports

Fire Chief Patterson reported that for the month of May the Schererville Fire Department responded to 252 EMS Calls, 59 Fire Calls for a total of 341 calls.

Mr. Novacich stated he would like to thank all of the Departments for their hard work during the Festival, Police, Fire, Public Works and Parks Staff. Mr. Novacich stated that he received a \$4,000.00 grant for this Symphony from the Indiana Arts Commission. Mr. Novacich reported that Pennsy Phase IV project is coming to completion, it is scheduled to be completed next week, except for seating. He stated that they will close out the grant by the end of the month.

Mr. Connelly stated that Senator Dan Dernulc is here this evening in the audience and thanked him for coming. Mr. Connelly stated that on behalf of the Council and Town Staff, they want to thank Senator Dernulc, when he was a Lake County Councilman he allocated \$250,000.00 to the Town of Schererville from the Lake County ARPA Fund. He stated that this will come in handy because we have a storm sewer project. The project consist of replacing 800', 72" metal pipe that has been in service a long time.

Mr. Schmitt stated that he would like to congratulate our Town and our Staff that put together the application for the Kennedy Avenue grant. He stated that we just received another 8.5 million dollar grant for the Kennedy Avenue project on our first phase. Mr. Schmitt stated he would like to congratulate Congressman Mrvan, State Senator Young, and it went all the way to Pete Buttigieg, which is the transportation cabinet member who helped out to get this grant.

Mr. Gorman stated that this was a Federal Grant from the Federal Railroad Administration. He stated that they applied for it and most of those grants go to Communities that eliminate the at-grade crossing in their communities. He stated that there was 61 Communities that received grants from that program.

THEREUPON, Public Comments Regarding Agenda Items NONE

THEREUPON, Old Business NONE

THEREUPON, New Business

ITEM A. Award Bid for Oakside Drive & Hickory Place Water Main Replacement Project

Mr. Simstad stated that the bid report which was submitted for the Councils review and consideration for the Oakside Drive and Hickory Place Water Main Replacement. Mr. Simstad stated that the summary of that report is the award would be made to the most responsive and responsible bidder and that would be to Grimmer Construction Company Inc. in the amount of \$745,328.03.

Mr. Guetzloff made a motion to award the bid as recommended by Mr. Simstad, seconded by Mr. Johnson. All in favor (5-0).

ITEM B. Award Bid for Community Crossing Grant 2023-1

Mr. Simstad stated that this is the bid report for the Town of Schererville 2024 Street Resurfacing Projects, which is the 2023-1 Community Crossing Grant from INDOT and the summary of that report is that these projects be awarded to Milestone Contractors North Incorporated in the amount of \$1,427,218.00.

Mr. Schmitt stated that this is a 50/50 Grant, the Town will pay 50% and the State will pay 50%. Mr. Johnson asked how many segments of road we are paving. Mr. Simstad stated sixteen.

Mr. Johnson made a motion to adopt the Community Crossing Grant #2023-1, seconded by Mrs. Arvanitis. All in favor (5-0).

ITEM C. Consider Release of 2-Year Maintenance Surety (\$56,592.10) And Issuance of a Certificate of Release for Amberleigh Estates, Phase 2

Mr. Gorman stated that Amberleigh Phase 2 is the last Phase of that seventy lot R-1 Development. He stated that all punch list items are complete. He stated that the utilities and road segments will come into our inventory and we will maintain them.

Mr. Connelly made a motion to approve, seconded by Mr. Johnson. All in favor (5-0).

ITEM D. Consider Acceptance of Donations - \$2,725.00

Mr. Troxell read into the record the list of donations for May 2023.

Mr. Guetzloff made a motion to accept the donations as read, seconded by Mr. Johnson. All in favor (5-0).

ITEM E. Request to Town Property to Repair Material Containment Wall behind Smith Concrete

Petitioner: Rich Rueth, Target Rentals  
Location: 1001 US Hwy 41

Mr. Volkmann thanked the Council members for hearing this request tonight. He stated that he is here with Mr. Rueth, the owner of Target Rentals and the property at 1001 US 41. Mr. Volkmann advised the Council members that in their packet it a black and white photo of the entire property. He stated to give a little history on this, this was the old Calumet Machine Welding property and back in the mid 90's Mr. Rueth purchased this property and started construction on Target Rentals. Mr. Volkmann stated that on the north side of that property going up between the existing buildings, there was a railroad track there at one time that went to the east and tied into what now is the Pennsy Trail. Mr. Volkmann stated that in the late 90's, Smith Ready Mix took one of these lots in the development and in back they built an area for material storage. They store sand and stone for the Ready Mix plant and they have an area where they wash out their trucks and concrete sets up and that's reprocessed. He stated that those bins are made out of those large one ton concrete blocks that are stacked up. Mr. Volkmann stated that one of the things they discovered is when the Town worked on the Pennsy Trail. He stated that it has been there for twenty-five years like that and nobody has ever said a word about it, but it became evident when the Town was working on the Pennsy Trail. Mr. Volkmann stated that the concrete block wall has started to fall over and it is not in real good condition. He stated that Mr. Rueth wants to make an effort to repair that wall, and their request would be to allow him to go onto the Town's property to repair it. He stated that repairing it from his side of the property would necessitate the removal of all of the material that is stored there, which would probably be one or two thousand yards of material there. He stated that the request would be to access the back side of the trail, not going on the actual trail itself, but the property adjacent to the trail so the wall can be straightened and reassembled. Mr. Volkmann stated that part of that is pushing it back as far as we can onto the correct property line, but he doesn't know how easy that is going to be. Mr. Volkmann stated that it would be in the range, at the highest point 15-20 feet onto the property line. He stated to enhance that area, and there are other drawings that Mr. Rueth has provided. He stated that Mr. Rueth is proposing a berm up against that concrete wall on the trail side of the property and plant trees and landscaping on that property. Mr. Volkmann stated that is quite an unusual request, he talked to Jim and Andy and he knows they can't give him permits to do work on the Town's property, so appropriately the only place that he could see is to come to you, the Council and ask for your consideration. Mr. Volkmann stated that Mr. Rueth has been an established businessman here in town for better than twenty-five years, that site provides probably fifty full-time jobs. Mr. Volkmann stated that if the Town would consider this, Mr. Rueth would provide the Town with Certificate of Insurance, name the Town as Additional insured, all of the work

would be done away from the trail, so he wouldn't be driving equipment over the trail.

Mr. Johnson stated that his first concern is that this is a terrible precedent for the Town to set. He stated that we own property and somebody else has their stuff on it and we are going to contemplate allowing them to leave it there and that is a bad precedent for the Town to set. Mr. Johnson stated however, the wall has been there for twenty-five years, so he will admit it wasn't Town property when that was put there and who knows what permission was ever given between the railroad and the whoever put that wall there. Mr. Johnson stated he's concerned about us continuing us to allow somebody to use our property without an agreement, without some sort of legal agreement in place to protect the Town. Mr. Johnson stated that he talked to Attorney Austgen before this meeting, and he agreed that is something that has to be in place in order to protect us. Mr. Johnson stated that there is a portion of the property, the bottom triangle there (showing on the diagram) where there is trailers and things, that wasn't being used by Target or anybody else and he thinks that can be cleaned up and left vacant as it was intended to be and to be removed from the Town's property. Mr. Johnson stated that maybe as part of this we can work out how we are going to legally protect the Town with this wall and maybe clean up some of the other things that are on the property. Mr. Johnson stated he thinks that the landscaping that they are proposing, the pictures look fine, but that is something he thinks needs to be in that agreement, who is going to maintain it, what it's going to be, what kind of maintenance it will require and who is going to take care of that. He stated that it's on Town property, but it's not our problem, we didn't create this issue. Mr. Johnson stated that he thinks this should be the burden of Target to take in. If they are going to be putting this landscaping in, it needs to be maintained by Target Rentals and any subsequent owners. Mr. Johnson stated that the other thing he thought needs to be specified in this discussion, we have to make sure there is no damage to our bike trail as a result of this. He stated that the machinery that it is going to take to move these one ton blocks is going to be pretty big and it's going to take some work and he doesn't want any damage to our bike trail and he doesn't want our bike trail to be closed indefinitely while this project is going on.

Mr. Schmitt asked Mr. Volkmann if they are going to replace the wall with different blocks. Mr. Volkmann stated that the blocks are ok, but he thinks that from the activity that's there, those going in and loading and unloading just kept pushing on it. He stated that one thing the berm will accomplish is it will back that wall up and prevent it from toppling over. Mr. Volkmann stated that they have to assess each of those blocks. He stated that the goal is to get it back, if you allow us to put the earth and berm up against it and plant trees on it and that will enhance not only the view from the trail but it will also help stabilize that area.

Mr. Schmitt stated that he has gone over there a couple of times on both sides of the wall and your idea and plans that you have is definitely going to dress that up. He thinks it will make the bike trail look tremendously better.

Mr. Volkmann stated that Mr. Rueth is talking about planting arborvitaes along there and once those fill in and thicken out it will pretty much take care of itself.

Mr. Schmitt asked Attorney Austgen what is the procedure for him to set up an agreement with the Town.

Attorney Austgen stated that there is necessity of an agreement. He stated there are a number of things that are a legal concern. He stated there needs to be a written legal agreement, necessity of legal description, survey, description of the subject parcel, access terms, maintenance terms, insurance terms, indemnification terms, trail preservation terms, site clean-up and

code compliance. He stated the things that will be appropriate for going forward. Attorney Austgen stated that there are a couple of things going on here, one is the idea and the plan to make this right, but the details of occupancy and use are another thing. He stated he is also convinced that this is an opportunity, when the request is made for access to Town property to repair material and containment, but once you open the Pandora's Box, things kind of come out at you. So if they are looking at Town property to repair this may be an opportunity given part of what was described as a correction of the encroachment and/or a re-establishment on how that encroachment will be validated going forward.

Mr. Johnson stated that at this point, his rational and his thinking on the next step would be that he would ask you (Mr. Rueth), or the Council would ask you, are you agreeable to do certain things in order for us to allow this to proceed forward. Mr. Johnson stated the following conditions:

- 1) We need a guarantee that no damage is going to occur to the bike trail;
- 2) There has to be a legal agreement in place to protect the Town for all time before you can do any of this work;
- 3) That Mr. Rueth would provide a landscaping and greens cape protection, buffer so that we don't have to see this wall anymore (Mr. Johnson stated he doesn't know if this has to go before the Plan Commission or Park Board), a plan to say that this is what Mr. Rueth is proposing to put in there and who is going to maintain it;
- 4) There should be some more lighting along that bike trail, so he would like Mr. Rueth agree to put some lighting back there by that bike trail. (If not, Mr. Johnson said he is not hung up on that);
- 5) All of the trailers need to come off of the Town property, this wall is one thing, it has been there for twenty-five years, but those trailers were not.

Attorney Austgen advised Mr. Johnson that the bike trail parcel is Town owned, not Park Department owned.

Mr. Connelly stated he thinks we need to hear from Mr. Volkmann and Mr. Rueth to see if they agree. Mr. Volkmann explained to Mr. Rueth the conditions the Town is requiring.

Mr. Rueth gave the Council some history of his property, what he has done over the years for the Town. Mr. Rueth stated what he is asking is the Council to let them clean the wall, put the berm up, rebuild the wall, try to straighten it out. Mr. Rueth stated he is asking for a section of property that is useless to the Town that you don't use. He stated the project will cost approximately forty to fifty thousand on the light side.

Mr. Schmitt asked Attorney Austgen if the Town could, for a small fee, actually lease that piece of land. Mr. Austgen stated the answer is yes.

Mr. Connelly stated that he likes what he is trying to do, it will look better than it does now, and like what Mr. Austgen was saying, without an agreement he is leery on passing this tonight. Mr. Connelly stated that maybe they should defer this until an agreement can be reached and we can look at it again at next month's meeting. Mr. Guetzloff stated he agrees with that, he thinks we should defer it. Mr. Guetzloff stated that with Mr. Gorman, Mr. Rueth and Mr. Austgen some things need to be worked out before we say yes to the whole project.

Mr. Connelly made a motion to defer, seconded by Mr. Guetzloff.

Mrs. Arvanitis stated she thinks this is a good project, although some things need to be worked out before we pass it. She stated she would also like to explore the possibility of leasing a small portion for a nominal fee.

Mr. Austgen stated that one of the things that has to be worked out in this.

All in favor (5-0)

ITEM F. Consider Variance of Use to Allow a Dog Grooming and Pet Supply Shop to be located within the Joliet Street Overlay Commercial "Core" District

Board of Zoning Case #23-5-5

Petitioner(s): Lawrence A. Jagiella, II - Alisha Gonsiorowski Barkley's Bath House Dog Grooming & Pet Supply

Location: 108-112 E. Joliet Street (Lots 11 & 12, Original Town of Schererville, Block 21)

BZA Favorable Recommendation with Conditions - 4-0

Mr. Gorman stated that this is a Bath House Dog Grooming & Pet Supply retail shop and they are looking to occupy the space on Joliet Street where the old Vegas Party Supply store was. He stated that they appeared before the BZA and received a 4-0 recommendation with the following conditions: Proof of shared parking in the rear of the building by the property owner, which we have a signed copy of that, there will be no veterinary services performed on site and no selling of dogs or any other type of animals from that location. He stated that they also asked them if there's any overnight stays for the animals and they said no.

Mr. Schmitt asked the petitioners to step up to the podium. He stated that Mr. Gorman read the three conditions and talked about the fact that there will be no overnight animals and asked the petitioners if that was correct. They advised that is correct, there will be no overnight animals. Mr. Schmitt stated that he was at the BZA meeting and there was concern from one of the members of the BZA, but he didn't see it listed here tonight. Mr. Schmitt asked the petitioners if they plan on doing anything to the wall that's connected to the business next door. He stated that his concern would be, if there were clients getting their hair done at the salon next door, will they be listening to barking dogs the whole time.

Mr. Jagiella stated that before they even start business that entire wall is going to have some dampening acoustic foam over the wall and they are also going to do that to the other side but not completely, just in spots and same to the roof, just to help stop with the echo and the penetration through wall. He stated that later on in business they would like to take that entire wall down and put insulation on the other side of it as well. He stated that there is a concrete wall and then a wall that's spread out. They would like to take the drywall off of that wall and then insulate behind the drywall for sound and then do the same with the foam afterwards, just to be sure later on. Mr. Jagiella stated hopefully it won't be an issue in general because of the sound dampening foam and the two layers of wall that are already there.

Mr. Guetzloff asked about the venting system and asked if they are putting in some type of different venting system. Mr. Jagiella stated no, it will be the same. He stated in the beginning all they need to add is two fixtures and sinks in the very back. He stated that they don't even need to do any electric or anything like that.

Mr. Schmitt asked the petitioners to state their name for the record, they stated Lawrence A. Jagiella, II and Alisha Gonsiorowski.

Mr. Johnson asked what will be the hours of operation. Mr. Jagiella stated that they will start taking appointments at 7:00 a.m. and they will stop taking appointments around 1:00 p.m. Ms. Gonsiorowski stated that would take their hours from 7:00 a.m. to about 4:00 p.m. business hours. That would be every day except for Wednesday. Mr. Johnson asked the petitioners how much traffic flow

they anticipate as far as cars coming and going. Mr. Jagiella stated technically he would have one dog per hour and Ms. Gonsiorowski would have 2 dogs per hour. He stated that would be one to two cars dropping off, maybe ten minutes to drop off their dog and then they would come back in two to three hours to pick up their dog. He stated that there may be some general shopping, but all in all it should be just those appointment times. Mr. Jagiella stated that if this does create a problem, they can stagger appointment times. Mr. Johnson asked if the drop off/pick-up will be in the back of the building or in the front. Mr. Jagiella stated that it will be in the front. He stated that there is a sidewalk on the side of the building to the back parking lot, they just haven't figured that out yet. Mr. Johnson asked if there will be a store in the front selling pet supplies. Mr. Jagiella stated yes, dog food, shampoo, tools like brushes, combs and toys.

Mr. Guetzloff asked, when the dogs are being washed, is there a certain type of catch you have so that the dog hair is not going down into the drains. Mr. Jagiella stated that they do have tubs that are specifically made for dog grooming. They have a grate and a mesh net below it, so it will catch 99.9% dog hair that goes through. Mr. Guetzloff stated going back to the question about venting, because dogs have that certain smell when they are wet. He stated he is concerned about that type of odor or something bleeding into your neighbors. Mr. Jagiella stated that they have been working as dog groomers for quite some time and technically they use good products. He stated that you get a heavy perfume smell from the shampoo itself, they are going to use orange, so if there is any smell it will smell like an orange.

Ms. Gonsiorowski stated it is worth noting that most of the dogs come to them regularly. The clients who love them and want their dogs groomed by them, they typically come in every four to six weeks so most of their dogs aren't smelling overwhelming bad to begin with.

Mr. Guetzloff stated that his concern is neighbor friendly because you're not putting in a certain type of venting system. He stated he just doesn't want to get calls that their neighbors are smelling dogs. Mr. Jagiella stated that there is a separate ventilation system, each unit has its own separate vent.

Mr. Gorman stated they have already applied for their business permit, but if they do the work on the wall, they will need to come in and get a permit.

Mr. Johnson made a motion to approve the variance of use to allow dog grooming and pet supply shop to be located in the Joliet Street overlay commercial corridor district, with conditions from the BZA as Mr. Gorman explained, seconded by Mr. Guetzloff. All in favor (5-0).

THEREUPON, Business from the floor

Mr. H Dean Johnson, 7412 Forest Ridge Drive, Foxwood Estates, stated he built his home in Schererville in 1998 and they moved to this Town because of the aesthetics. He stated that he believes it should get better and not decline, but as we drive through the Town of Schererville now, it seems to be declining, neighborhoods and commercial districts. He stated that he receives the Town newsletter and he was appreciative to see some changes in regards to our residential communities, in regards to our garbage cans, our recycle bins, weeds that have overgrown, things like that. Mr. Johnson stated that regarding commercial businesses, he thinks they should be required to landscape and maintain. He stated that when he moved to Foxwood Estates it was beautiful, but it doesn't seem that way today. He stated that he thinks the Town should have some type of covenants when new building is coming in Town, something to protect property value. He stated that he drives down US 30 and all he sees is that grass in the middle, overgrown and garbage. He stated that Code Enforcement is very important, but one person cannot govern this entire town. He stated that he feels there

should be someone for commercial and someone for residential and there should be staff in place that can accommodate the needs of the citizens of this Town. Mr. Johnson stated that he is bringing this to the Council, so you guys can bring about change. Mr. Johnson stated that he would like to recognize his councilwoman, Robin Arvanitis and thank her for always returning his calls.

Louise Talent, 2723 Sycamore Drive, Dyer, IN stated that she represents the Lake Central Education Foundation. She passed out a handout that explains what they do. She stated that they give teacher grants, the money that they do earn as we're aware, she tries to let the populations know that they provide enriching programs through their teacher programs to the students that Lake Central School Corporation serves. She stated that one of the ways they are also able to earn some of the funding is through the license plate program. She stated she sees a lot of people when she drives through Schererville who have the little Owl on their license plate and by zip code, the Bureau of Motor Vehicles does donate to foundations throughout the region and the state. She stated that they do belong to the Indiana Association of Public Education Foundation. Ms. Talent thanked the Council for their support. She stated that the most valuable resource on the plant are the kids. She stated that they have a 5k race on September 9<sup>th</sup>, it's called Let's be a Hero.

Mr. Rich Paschniak, 530 Gard Lane, he stated his question is if the Council would consider moving the Schererville Festival from Redar Park to Rohrman Park. He stated that on Monday or Tuesday before the Festival a couple of girls were putting signs up on the street in front of my house saying "no parking". I said to them, what the heck are you doing that for, cars never come out here. He stated that the cars did park on his street, they were park in the whole neighborhood. He stated that this shows how much this festival has grown over the last many years and he thinks for the purposes of having less friction in the neighborhoods with all of the cars and all of the garbage that gets thrown about. He said the Town employees do drive around and pick up the garbage. He feels there would be much more parking at Rohrman, they have the fireworks there. Mr. Paschniak stated in conjunction with that, he thinks it would be a great idea to have a gated entrance and wandung people as they come in and checking them for weapons.

Mr. Schmitt stated that since the festival ended Saturday, they have formed a sub-committee consisting of our Park Board, some of our Council members and staff members from all four of our departments to look at what the next steps would be on the Festival.

Jonathan McNinch, 6923 Swan Lane, stated that his comment is in regards to the Schererville Fest. He stated he is glad to hear that there is a sub-committee being formed to study this. He asked if the Public will be involved in this, will there be a feedback session.

Mr. Schmitt stated that as soon as we get our plans together, naturally we will be transparent with the public to let them know what the changes there will be.

Mr. McNinch stated that he was at the Festival on Saturday when some of those bird mob fights broke out. He stated that he was in the beer garden when that happened and it was very sad. He stated that he doesn't know if there was a gun there or not, you hear all kind of rumors, but there were kids running that were scared for their lives about a gun being there. He stated he never in his life thought this would be in Schererville, Indiana. He asked the Council to keep the residents posted.

Meeting adjourned.

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THOMAS SCHMITT  
TOWN COUNCIL PRESIDENT

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Michael A. Troxell, IAMC, CPFIM, CMO  
TOWN CLERK-TREASURER

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