

Town of Merrillville
Town Council Agenda
Municipal Complex
February 28, 2023 6:30 P.M.

1. Call to Order

2. Invocation/Moment of Silence:

3. Pledge of Allegiance: Led by any veteran in attendance

4. Roll Call of Council

5. Petitions, Communications

Acknowledgements & Remonstrations

- Women’s History Month Proclamation presented by Lauri Keagle
- Roadway Grant Agreement Approval
- Announcement of Town’s pursuit of Block Grant Opportunity

6. Consent Agenda

Accts. Payable Register Voucher Approval for February 28th, 2023
Approval of Town Council Meeting Minutes of February 14th 2023

7. Standing & Special Committees Reports

- A. Budget & Finance** – Chairman Mr. Hardaway
Members Mr. Pettit, Mr. Minchuk
- B. Council Affairs** – Chairman Mr. Pettit
Members Mr. Minchuk, Mrs. Uzelac
- C. Public Works & Utilities** – Chairman Mr. Minchuk
Members Mr. Spann, Mrs. Uzelac
- D. Elections, Public Relations, Town Beautification** – Chairman Mr. Pettit
Members Mr. Hardaway, Mr. Minchuk
- E. Environmental Affairs** – Chairman Mr. White
Members Mr. Spann, Mrs. Uzelac
- F. Personnel Policy & Employee Benefits** – Chairman Mr. Hardaway
Members Mrs. Uzelac, Mr. Pettit-
- G. Public Safety** – Chairman Mr. Minchuk
Members Mr. Spann, Mrs. Uzelac
- H. Economic Development** – Chairman Mr. Pettit
Members Mr. Hardaway, Mr. Minchuk, Deann Patena, Jennifer Doffin
- I. Parks & Recreation** – Chairwoman Mrs. Uzelac
Members Mr. Spann, Mr. White
- J. Abandoned-Blighted Properties** – Chairman Mr. Hardaway
Members Vicki Bunnell, Adra Breclaw-Csanyi
- K. Dean & Barbara White Community Center-Chairman Mr. Pettit**
Member Mr. White, Mr. Minchuk- Boys and Girls Club Facility Usage Agreement
- L. Special Projects (F & B Tax, Diversity, 4th of July Celebration)**
Chairman Mr. Hardaway, Members Mr. Pettit, Mr. Minchuk

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8. Department & Commission Reports

- A. Lake County Solid Waste Management- Mr. White
- B. Northern Indiana Regional Planning Commission- Mr. Hardaway
- C. Stormwater Management Resources- Director Matt Lake
- D. Southshore Visitors and Convention Authority. – Mr. Reardon
- E. Fire Territory Board- Mr. Minchuk/Mr. Spann
- F. Department Reports/Town Mgr. - Department Directors & Mr. Reardon

9. General Orders

A. Ordinances

First Readings: (Discussion and Roll Call Vote)

Ordinance 23-11 (Discussion and Roll Call Vote)

An Ordinance of the Town of Merrillville, Lake County, Indiana, Authorizing Additional Appropriations in the 2023 Budget.

Second Readings: (Discussion, Public Comment and Roll Call Vote)

Ordinance 23-02 (Discussion, Public Comment and Roll Call Vote)

An Ordinance of the Town of Merrillville, Lake County, Indiana, Authorizing Additional Appropriations in Various Funds for the 2023 Budget.

Ordinance 23-03 (Amended) (Discussion, Public Comment and Roll Call Vote)

An Ordinance of the Town of Merrillville, Lake County, Indiana Amending Ordinance 22-29a, the 2023 Salary Ordinance, and Amendment Ordinance 23-01 and Authorizing a Transfer of Appropriations.

Ordinance 23-04 (Discussion, Public Comment and Roll Call Vote)

An Ordinance Amending Town Code Sections: 12-91 Entitled “Parking In Yards” and 12-188 Entitled “Definitions” and Repealing All Town Code Sections and Ordinances, or Parts Thereof, in Conflict Herewith.

Ordinance 23-05 (Discussion, Public Comment and Roll Call Vote)

An Ordinance Amending Town Code Section 6-327 Entitled “Standards for Maintenance, and Repealing All Town Code Sections and Ordinances, or Parts Thereof, in Conflict Herewith.

Ordinance 23-06 (Discussion, Public Comment and Roll Call Vote)

An Ordinance Amending Town Code Sections: 21-172 Entitled “Zoning - Off Street Parking” and Repealing All Town Code Sections and Ordinances, or Parts Thereof, in Conflict Herewith.

Ordinance 23-07 (Discussion, Public Comment and Roll Call Vote)

An Ordinance to Promote the General Welfare of the Citizens and Prohibiting Donation Boxes Within the Town, and Repealing All Town Code Sections and Ordinances, or Parts Thereof, in Conflict Herewith.

Ordinance 23-08 (Discussion, Public Comment and Roll Call Vote)

An Ordinance Amending Town Code Section 13-2 Entitled “Nuisances-Illustrative Enumeration,” and Repealing All Town Code Sections and Ordinances, or Parts Thereof, in Conflict Herewith.

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Ordinance 23-09 (Discussion, Public Comment and Roll Call Vote)

An Ordinance to Promote the General Welfare of the Citizens and Limit the Number of Animals Residing Within a Household Within the Town, and Repealing All Town Code Sections and Ordinances, or Parts Thereof, in Conflict Herewith.

Ordinance 23-10 (Discussion, Public Comment and Roll Call Vote)

An Ordinance Establishing a Parking Regulation Promoting Unencumbered Access to Mailboxes, and Repealing All Town Code Sections and Ordinances, or Parts Thereof, in Conflict Herewith.

B. Resolutions: (Discussion and Voice Vote)

10. American Rescue Plan

- AP Voucher Register Summary for ARP Purchases for February 28, 2023

11. BZA & LARGE GATHERING ACTIONS

Petitioner: Andy Tylka

Owner: Lake County Trust #2100 Janis Qualizza, Authorized Beneficiary

Request: Special Exception Approval

Purpose: To have an Auto Repair Shop with outside storage

Location: 401 West 82nd Place

Zoning: C-3, Highway Commercial Zoning District

Petitioner: Divine Goddess Dance Studio

Owner: Tiger Group, LLC

Request: Special Exception Approval

Purpose: To have a Dance Studio

Location: 7870 Broadway

Zoning: C-2, Community Commercial Zoning District

Petitioner: Merrillville Community School Corp

Owner: Merrillville Community School Corp

Request: Special Exception Approval

Purpose: Building addition on existing building

Location: 276 East 68th Place

Zoning: R-2, Residential Zoning District

13. New Business

12. Old Business

14. Special Presentations

15. Public Comment: Please state your name & address for the record and limit your comment to three (3) minutes please.

16. Announcements

- Town Council Meeting March 14th at 6:30pm