

Minutes of Regular Meeting Of Homecroft Town Council

Thursday, September 30, 2021 - 7:00 P.M.

Homecroft Town Hall

1400 Tulip Dr.

Indianapolis, IN 46227

Present:

Mr. Zachary Frizzell – Council President

Mr. Robert Lutz - Town Attorney (not present)

Mrs. Melissa May – Council Member

Mr. Bryan Wolfe – Council Member

Mr. Kevin Kehlbeck – Clerk/Treasurer

Mrs. Susan Fleck-Council Vice-President

John Ryan, Jr. - Homecroft P.D.

Chief James Leonard - Homecroft P.D.

President Frizzell called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM, and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The Clerk/Treasurer's report: Kevin Kehlbeck

1. A motion was made by Mrs. May to approve the August 31, 2021 minutes for Regular Council Meeting; motion was seconded by Mr. Wolfe. The motion carried.
2. A motion was made by Mrs. Fleck to approve the Claims for September 01, 2021 thru September 30, 2021. Mrs. May seconded the motion. The motion carried.
3. 2022 Budget Introduced. Mrs. Fleck made a motion to accept the budget as introduced. Mrs. May seconded the motion. The motion carried.
4. A motion to approve the minutes of the Special Meeting held September 16, 2021. (Separate Minutes). The motion was seconded by Mrs. May. The motion carried.

Public Works Report – Melissa May

1. No report this month – reviewing future projects

Special Projects Report - Susan Fleck

1. Report Attached

Police Department Report - Bryan Wolfe

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Chief Leonard –Stressed that continued training of officers a top priority.

Upcoming events: Southport HS Homecoming Parade-Friday, Oct 01, 2021 -5:30pm
Homecroft Pumpkin Painting-Saturday, Oct. 23,2021 –noon-2pm
Santa Claus Visit-Saturday, Dec. 11, 2021-noon-2pm

Old Business –

New Business–

1. A motion was made by Mr. Frizzell to approve the spending of \$200 for candy for SHS Homecoming Parade. Mrs. Fleck seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Public Comments- None

Council President Remarks - None Zachary Frizzell

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Mr. Wolfe @ 8:39 pm; the motion was seconded by Mrs. Fleck. The motion carried.

Next Regular Meeting: –Thursday, October 28, 2021 – 7:00 PM – Homecroft Town Hall. (Includes Adoption of 2022 Town Budget)



Zachary Frizzell
Homecroft Town Council President



Kevin Kehlbeck
Homecroft Clerk/Treasurer

9.30.2021 Report to Town Council - Susan Fleck - Special Projects

- Interview with Chief Hodge had to be postponed due to illness. We are working to reschedule.
- Fall 2021 newsletter went out and big thanks to Melissa, Bryan, and Zach for their contributions. This is the most information-filled newsletter in recent memory and it would not have been possible without the help of everyone.
- Social media posts about Homecoming Parade going out.
- Chief Hodge has arranged for Town Council vehicle in Friday's Homecoming Parade.
- Homecroft Pumpkin Painting set for October 23, noon - 2 PM. Chiefs Leonard and Hodge are securing 50 small pumpkins. I will get paints, brushes, and plastic coverings for shelter tables. Who will be available to assist with this project?
- Santa Claus visit noon - 2 on December 11. Ronnie Roessler will again dress up as Santa. Can we get a police escort for Santa? Should we order year signs again? Other ideas?
- Received email from Sam Shilling about noise pollution. To be discussed with Council.

Homecroft Town Council Police Liaison Update for September 2021

Last month in Homecroft, the Police Department largely focused on preventative and proactive police patrols of the community to prevent criminals from choosing to commit their crimes in our neighborhood. The effort has largely been successful, as crime reports within the Homecroft town limits are minimal. Officers maintain high visibility during their patrols and traffic enforcement; last month they wrote 51 local ordinance tickets, 7 state tickets, towed 7 vehicles, and issued 27 warnings. Since this is the last day of the month, September statistics will be available at the next monthly meeting.

Police Chief Jim Leonard has now successfully graduated from the Indiana Law Enforcement Academy. He has been trained in the latest methods of law enforcement to include firearms, physical tactics, traffic stop procedures, criminal law, traffic law, and so, so much more. It is most impressive that Chief Leonard scored an overall test average score of **94%**. Well done, Chief.

Enforcement highlights in the last month include Ofc. Derek Wilson catching a couple motorcyclists street racing in the middle of town on Madison Avenue. Enforcement action was taken. In addition, Sgt. Matt Baker attempted to stop a vehicle whose operator opted to flee. A short vehicle pursuit and foot pursuit commenced. After the driver was safely taken into custody by an IMPD canine, an investigation found narcotics including methamphetamine in the vehicle. Sgt. Baker also assisted with delivering a baby this past month while at his full-time employment.

Training this month was on legal updates. Website development updates continue. An audit/inventory is underway. The Chief is beginning a process to empty the basement of unnecessary/unused borrowed equipment and old records long past the legal retention requirements. The Chief is working on an updated Pursuit Policy which will mirror IMPD's pursuit policy; this will increase safety and supervisory oversight.

Several grant projects are on the horizon, and one grant recently applied for was successful which has resulted in a Dell 5550 laptop, a Brother Bluetooth mobile printer, iPad ID scanner, 3 Pocket Jet 7 printers, 3 metal Pocket Jet mounts, iPad mini, iPad mini case, iPad mini glass screen protector, Honeywell scanners, paper for both regular and narrow tickets, which is not cheap. Great job to Sgt. Baker on the successful procurement of this equipment. Grants for body worn camera systems are one such grant that we will be looking at in the future to see if there is an affordable path for our agency to obtain such a system. As with all grants, we will need to carefully consider all options as sometimes things that appear affordable come with strings attached that later become unsustainable.

The Grant Coordinator job description was provided to AIM representatives and will be posted very soon to their website, so hopefully we will see some resume's coming our way soon for consideration.

The pool vehicle (Ford Taurus) repairs have been completed, door decals will be applied soon, and the entire front end will be re-wrapped (paid for by insurance).

Respectfully Submitted: Bryan Wolfe, Town Council, Police Liaison, Town of Homecroft