

ST. IGNATIUS TOWN COUNCIL MEETING SEPTEMBER 3, 2024

Mayor Daren Incashola called the meeting of the St. Ignatius Town Council to order at 6:00 p.m., Tuesday, September 3, 2024, in the town hall. Mayor Daren Incashola, Council Members Rikki Merchant, Janis Heffern, and Chris Heffern. City Attorney Loren Fitzpatrick was not present.

Also present were Clerk/Treasurer Mary Leishman, Public Works Director Scott Morton, Police Chief Jason Acheson and members of the public as listed in the minute's book.

Mayor Incashola called for public comment. None was given

Chris Heffern motioned, Janis Heffern seconded to approve consent agenda which includes August 15th claims, September claims, August minutes, August special/work session minutes, July MM and CD JVs and August JVs. Motion passed unanimously.

No visitors on agenda.

Leishman explained where the money comes from for the ARPA draw for sewer expenses.

Merchant asked if WGM Group is done with their work. Morton said no.

Merchant motioned, Chris Heffern seconded to approve the ARPA draw request.

Motion passed unanimously. The mayor and council discussed Resolution #464: Resolution of Intention to Cancel the November 5, 2024, General Election for Certain Municipal Officers. The mayor explained the need for this resolution. Only one person, Ralph Foster, filed for the Local Government Commission and there needs to be 3. Foster will be on the commission and the council will need to appoint the remaining two people. The council will do so in November. Chris Heffern motioned, Merchant seconded to approve Resolution #464. Motion passed unanimously.

City Attorney Fitzpatrick not in attendance.

Fire Chief Adams said the AEDs are still in the works. The department is getting a new command vehicle, purchased by the Rural FD. Adams gave a review of the calls received in August.

Public Works Director Morton said that Reece Bailey will be helping to repair water lines and do some lagoon work. Dan Kramer will come and help with the lead service line work. The FD/PD roof drain is plugged. Morton was asked about paving. He only had one quote and thinks waiting until the spring will be our best option. He could use some more patch to fill potholes. Incashola told him to go ahead and get what he needs.

The mayor and council discussed the FY24-25 final budget. Adjustments to page 2 of the budget document, job list and wages, were made. Merchant motioned, Janis Heffern seconded to approve the FY24-25 final budget along with the changes to page 2 of the budget document. Motion passed unanimously.

Police Chief Acheson said there will be a CPR class this month. The department will have a greater presence at the school because of staffing issues with the SRO. Chief Acheson presented Officer Loehde with a POST certificate and gave a status update.

He also presented Reserve Officer Bruce Fussell. Chief Acheson swore in Reserve Officer Fussell.

The mayor asked for any other comments. Jera Stewart asked about the CDBG application, discussed at the Aug. 20th special meeting.

Leishman said that another special/work session meeting will be held on Sept. 17th and Shari Johnson will be there to answer questions about the CDBG application. There will be a resolution to approve the application presented at the meeting on the 17th.

Merchant provided updated information on the blue highway signs.

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Merchant motioned, Janis Heffern seconded to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed
unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 6:52 pm.

Daren Incashola, Mayor

Mary Leishman, Clerk/Treasurer