

## **January 3, 2023**

The Common Council of the City of La Porte met in regular session Monday, January 3, 2023, at 6:00 P.M. in Council Chambers.

### **Pledge**

Councilwoman Konieczny led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Present** Cutler, Feikes, Konieczny, West

**Absent** Vincent, Galloway, Franke

### **Minutes**

Mayor Dermody stated each member received an advance copy of the minutes from the previous meeting and asked if there were any corrections or additions. Councilwoman Feikes moved to approve the minutes as presented; motion seconded by Councilwoman Cutler and unanimously carried.

### **Petitions and Comments of Citizens**

None

### **Standing Committee Reports**

**Park Board:** Councilwoman Feikes reported Park Board met Wednesday, December 21, 2022, at the Park Office at 4:00 P.M. It was reported the Park Department received the remainder of their new fleet vehicles and requested permission for either disposal or transfer of any outdated vehicles or equipment. Councilwoman Feikes reported three pieces of equipment will be disposed of and two trucks will be transferred to the Street Department. Councilwoman Feikes reported Beechwood is obtaining quotes for a fairway mower, a rough mower, and a new aerator for the golf course. Additionally, Councilwoman Feikes reported Golf Professional Kyle Cashmer's contract was renewed at all of the same terms as last year. Finally, Councilwoman Feikes noted the La Porte Tennis Booster Club will be putting up a banner at the Bill Reed Tennis Complex to advertise their club.

**Traffic Commission:** Councilwoman Feikes reported since the Council Meeting was moved due to the Holiday, Traffic Commission was moved to Tuesday, January 10, 2023 at 5:00 P.M. at the Police Station.

**Business Improvement District Board:** Councilwoman Cutler reported the next Business Improvement District Board will be January 9, 2023 at 5:00 P.M.

**Urban Enterprise Association:** Councilwoman Cutler reported the next Urban Enterprise Association Board meeting is January 18, 2023 at 4:00 P.M. at La Porte Economic Advancement Partnership.

**Fire Merit Commission:** Councilwoman West reported Fire Merit Commission will meet on Wednesday, January 4, 2023 at Fire Station 1.

**Airport Authority:** Councilwoman Konieczny reported the next Airport Authority Meeting will take place on January 11, 2023, at 5:15 P.M. at the Airport.

**Historic Preservation Commission:** Councilwoman Konieczny reported the Historic Preservation Commission will meet Tuesday, January 17, 2023, at 5:30 P.M. in Council Chambers.

**President Pro-Tem**

Councilwoman West made a motion to reappoint Tim Franke as President Pro-Tem for 2023; motion seconded by Councilwoman Feikes and unanimously carried.

**Second and Final Reading of an Ordinance of the Common Council of the City of La Porte, Indiana, Annexing to and Bringing Within the City Limits of La Porte, Indiana, and Amending the Zoning Ordinance for Property Located in Center Township, Contiguous Herewith**

**Name of Petition: Pine Lake North**

**Common Address:**

- 1 Midwest Like-Kind Exchange, Inc. – Pine Lake and Severs Road, La Porte, Indiana – Parcel ID: 46-06-22-402-008.000-042**
- 2 Pine Lake Cemetery – Cemetery and Vacant Land, Severs Road, LaPorte, Indiana – Parcel IDs: 460622426002000042 and 4606222000042**
- 3 Edward and Carole Loniewski – 2557 N Hwy 35 La Porte, IN 46350 – Parcel ID: 46622200018000042**

Councilwoman Konieczny moved to read an Ordinance for the second and final time by title only; motion seconded by Councilwoman Cutler and unanimously carried. Councilwoman Konieczny read an Ordinance of the Common Council of the City of La Porte, Indiana, Annexing to and Bringing Within the City Limits of La Porte, Indiana, and Amending the Zoning Ordinance for Property Located in Center Township, Contiguous Herewith  
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Community Development and Planning Director, Craig Phillips stated the petition includes signatures from three separate property owners: Midwest Like-Kind Exchange, Inc., Pine Lake Cemetery and Edward and Carole Loniewski. The four parcels involved are roughly thirteen and a half percent contiguous, meeting the aggregate continuity requirement. A map that depicts what this annexation will look like is in the fiscal plan documents provided in the council packet. This is a One Hundred percent voluntary annexation, meaning the owners of all parcels involved have signed the petition.

**Motion to Vote/Approve**

Councilwoman Konieczny made a motion to approve the Ordinance as presented; motion seconded Councilwoman Cutler and unanimously carried.

**ORDINANCE NO. 1-2023**

**ORDINANCE OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LA PORTE, INDIANA, ANNEXING TO AND BRINGING WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS OF LA PORTE, INDIANA, AND AMENDING THE ZONING ORDINANCE FOR PROPERTY LOCATED IN CENTER TOWNSHIP, CONTIGUOUS HEREWITH**

**NAME OF PETITION: PINE LAKE NORTH**

**COMMON ADDRESS:**

- 1 MIDWEST LIKE-KIND EXCHANGE, INC. – PINE LAKE AND SEVERS ROAD, LA PORTE, INDIANA – PARCEL ID: 46-06-22-402-008.000-042**
- 2 PINE LAKE CEMETERY – CEMETERY AND VACANT LAND, SEVERS ROAD, LAPORTE, INDIANA – PARCEL IDS: 460622426002000042 AND 4606222000042**
- 3 EDWARD AND CAROLE LONIEWSKI – 2557 N HWY 35 LA PORTE IN 46350 – PARCEL ID: 46622200018000042**

**Second and Final Reading of an Ordinance of the Common Council of the City of LaPorte, Indiana, Annexing to and Bringing Within the City Limits of La Porte, Indiana, and Amending the Zoning Ordinance for Property Located in Center Township, Contiguous Herewith**  
**Name of Petition: Hester J.W. Muller Revocable Trust**  
**Common Address: Vacant Land – Park Street**  
**Parcel ID: 46-06-25-126-006.000-042 & 46-06-25-151-015.000-042**

Councilwoman Cutler made a motion to read an Ordinance of the Common Council of the City of LaPorte, Indiana, Annexing to and Bringing Within the City Limits of La Porte, Indiana, and Amending the Zoning Ordinance for Property Located in Center Township, Contiguous Herewith  
Name of Petition: Hester J.W. Muller Revocable Trust  
Common Address: Vacant Land – Park Street  
Parcel ID: 46-06-25-126-006.000-042 & 46-06-25-151-015.000-042 for the first time in its entirety; motion seconded by Councilwoman Feikes and unanimously carried. Councilwoman Cutler read an Ordinance of the Common Council of the City of LaPorte, Indiana, Annexing to and Bringing Within the City Limits of La Porte, Indiana, and Amending the Zoning Ordinance for Property Located in Center Township, Contiguous Herewith  
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Common Address: Vacant Land – Park Street  
Parcel ID: 46-06-25-126-006.000-042 & 46-06-25-151-015.000-042 for the second time by title only.

Community Development and Planning Director, Craig Phillips stated the petition was received by Hester J.W. Muller Revocable Trust and consists of two parcels adjacent to city limits that are approximately thirty percent contiguous to city limits. A map that depicts what this annexation will look like is in the fiscal plan documents provided in the council packet. This is a One Hundred percent voluntary annexation, meaning the owners of all parcels involved have signed the petition.

**Motion to Vote/Approve**

Councilwoman Cutler made a motion to approve the Ordinance as presented; motion seconded Councilwoman Feikes and unanimously carried.

**ORDINANCE NO. 2-2023**  
**ORDINANCE OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAPORTE, INDIANA, ANNEXING TO AND BRINGING WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS OF LA PORTE, INDIANA, AND AMENDING THE ZONING ORDINANCE FOR PROPERTY LOCATED IN CENTER TOWNSHIP, CONTIGUOUS HEREWITH**  
**NAME OF PETITION: HESTER J.W. MULLER REVOCABLE TRUST**

**COMMON ADDRESS: VACANT LAND – PARK STREET  
PARCEL ID: 46-06-25-126-006.000-042 & 46-06-25-151-015.000-042**

**Motion to Vote/Approve**

Councilwoman Feikes made a motion to put back on the table an Introduction of a Resolution Adopting a Definitive Policy and Written Fiscal Plan for Pine Lake North Annexation; motion seconded by Councilwoman Cutler and unanimously carried.

**Introduction of a Resolution Adopting a Definitive Policy and Written Fiscal Plan for Pine Lake North Annexation**

Councilwoman Feikes moved to introduce a Resolution Adopting a Definitive Policy and Written Fiscal Plan for Pine Lake North Annexation for the first and only time in its entirety; motion seconded by Councilwoman West and unanimously carried. Councilwoman Feikes read a Resolution Adopting a Definitive Policy and Written Fiscal Plan for Pine Lake North Annexation in its entirety.

**Motion to Vote/Approve**

Councilwoman Feikes made a motion to approve a Resolution Adopting a Definitive Policy and Written Fiscal Plan for Pine Lake North Annexation; motion seconded by Councilwoman West and unanimously carried.

**RESOLUTION NO. R-1-2023  
RESOLUTION ADOPTING A DEFINITIVE POLICY AND WRITTEN FISCAL  
PLAN FOR PINE LAKE NORTH ANNEXATION**

**Motion to Vote/Approve**

Councilwoman Feikes made a motion to put back on the table an Introduction of a Resolution Adopting a Definitive Policy and Written Fiscal Plan for Hester J.W. Muller Revocable Trust; motion seconded by Councilwoman Cutler and unanimously carried.

**Introduction of a Resolution Adopting a Definitive Policy and Written Fiscal Plan for Hester J.W. Muller Revocable Trust**

Councilwoman Cutler moved to introduce a Resolution Adopting a Definitive Policy and Written Fiscal Plan Hester J.W. Muller Revocable Trust Annexation for the first and only time in its entirety; motion seconded by Councilwoman Feikes and unanimously carried. Councilwoman Cutler read

a Resolution Adopting a Definitive Policy and Written Fiscal Plan for Hester J.W. Muller Revocable Trust Annexation in its entirety.

**Motion to Vote/Approve**

Councilwoman Cutler made a motion to approve a Resolution Adopting a Definitive Policy and Written Fiscal Plan for Hester J.W. Muller Revocable Trust Annexation; motion seconded by Councilwoman Feikes and unanimously carried.

**RESOLUTION NO. R-2-2023  
RESOLUTION ADOPTING A DEFINITIVE POLICY AND WRITTEN FISCAL  
PLAN FOR HESTER J.W. MULLER REVOCABLE TRUST**

**Other Business**

Mayor Dermody announced NIBC La Porte Invitational is January 5-7, 2023. Games will be televised on ESPN. There are several half time performances to see including the Jessie White Tumblers, Half Court Shots by audience members for monetary prizes, Middle School Scrimmage, High School Cheerleaders and more.

**Adjourn**

There being no further business, Councilwoman Feikes moved to adjourn; motion seconded by Councilwoman Cutler and unanimously carried.

**Approve: \_\_\_\_\_  
Thomas P. Dermody, Mayor**

**Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Courtney Parthun, Clerk-Treasurer**

**Approved: February 6, 2023**