

Minutes for Town Council Meeting
April 18, 2011
7 p.m.
Spencer Municipal Building

Public Hearing was called to order at 6:32 by Jenny Dearwester of the ICHDA for the close out of the HGF homeowner repair and improvement project. Total assistance received was \$75,000.00 from the ICHDA, with the town providing \$ 15,400.00; the total amount being \$ 90,400.00. Additional money is available on an on-going basis. Information can be found on the website. The town will have a \$7900.00 credit for town commitment portion which was not used for this grant.

The regular town meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m.

The record will show that all three board members, the town attorney and Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Connie Brock were present.

Jon Stantz motioned to accept minutes as written, Dean Bruce seconded and the motion passed 3-0.

Public Issues

A representative of GoRail, Inc., a nonprofit organization that works with towns/cities, gave a presentation to encourage action through letters to the legislators in protest of increasing truck size and weight and by supporting the use of railroads to transport goods.

Jon Stantz motioned to approve the Owen Valley Sports Complex Softball Tournament parade for May 7, 2011, and to also waive the fee, seconded by Cynthia Hyde and the motion passed 3-0.

Jon Stantz motioned to approve the Abate of Indiana Club Memorial Ride use of Cooper Parks' Pavilion on May 28, 2011 and to waive the fee, seconded by Dean Bruce and the motion passed 3-0. Jon Stantz will notify Chief Foutch regarding the escort needed through town.

Building Inspector

Another stop work order has been requested by the state as upon a visit to the Tivoli, as it seems that work has been done and a liquor license request was posted in the window.

Police Department

Jon Stantz motioned to accept Edson Westgate's request for retirement as of May 25, 2011. and that Matt Miller be moved into Ed Westgate's position and Marty Workman fill the CHRP grant position, seconded by Cynthia Hyde and the motion passed 3-0.

Jared Myers has left the reserve unit to take a position with the Owen County Sheriff's Department.

Chief Foutch asked to purchase a new television for training purposes.

All full time officers have completed the CPR/AED classes.

Dean Bruce motioned to accept the bid from Levy Heating and Cooling for \$ 723.00 to repair the heating system in the police department, seconded by Jon Stantz and the motion passed 3-0.

Chief Foutch presented the costs involved with equipping the officers with I-Phones and applications. The starts up costs are in excess of \$800.00 and the monthly charges will increase to over \$500.00.

Attorney

Copies of the two easements for the sewer drains are completed and were presented to the town board.

Jon Stantz motioned to approve Resolution 2011-3 to establish an election board for the Town of Spencer, seconded by Dean Bruce and the motion passed 3-0.

Tax abatement Agreement for Boston Scientific has been advanced with the board's signatures.

Street Department

Sidewalks that were commissioned in 2010 are almost completed. Superintendent Parrish added that this year's sidewalk projects need to be chosen.

Two residents have asked for the removal of trees. Mr. Parrish will obtain bids for the service. The bucket truck is in need of wiring repair.

Sewer Department

Project on W. Franklin St. was completed today.

The bid \$10,642.00 for the Lift Station repair has been received.

Old Business

Jack White wrote a letter to board regarding the permanent closing the road between the old CVS and Wendy's. A meeting with the board and Mr. White was suggested to update him on these matters. Dean Bruce will contact Mr. White on this matter.

New Business

Mr. Parrish will provide Mr. Lorenz with VIN numbers and value for the items that need to be declared surplus.

All three board members will attend the IACT Roundtable on May 17, 2011 at the Canyon Inn.

Dean Bruce motioned to approve Hannum, Wagle and Cline's Engineering proposal for Design Phase/Consultant Phase of the Safe Routes contract that will not exceed \$40,000.00, seconded by Cynthia Hyde and the motion passed 3-0.

The Solid Waste Management District office will no longer be located in Brazil, and the new office will be located at Janet Reed's home as a cost cutting measure.

Financial information needs to be timely and accurate in order to make decisions. All department heads need to receive appropriation's reports monthly as well.

Discussion was held regarding hiring Mike Williams, a former SBOA supervisor, to help us complete the annual report and prepare for the SBOA audit. The board decided to call Mr. Williams and invite him to look at the books.

Jon Stantz motioned for the acceptance of claims as presented, seconded by Cynthia Hyde and the motion passed 3-0.

Jon Stantz motioned for the adjournment, seconded by Dean Bruce and the motion passed 3-0.

Jon Stantz, President

Dean Bruce, Vice-President

Cynthia Hyde, Board Member

Attested by: