

Minutes of Regular Meeting, February 13, 2006

The Town Council of the Town of Warren met Monday, February 13, 2006 for a Regular Council Meeting in the Assembly Hall, Council Meeting Room, 131 N. Wayne Street, in accordance with the rules of this Town Council and applicable law.

Those present were: Council Members, Ron Neff, Bill Cartwright, and Julia Glessner, David Scheib, absent; Clerk- Treasurer, Marilyn Morrison; Employees, Dennis Spitler, Curt Day; Others, Fire Chief Tim Ford, Huntington Herald Press Reporter, Warren Weekly Reporter, Jack and Michael Trospen and Mr. and Mrs. Summers.

Vice-President Cartwright called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and announced the opening of a public hearing in regard to Ordinance 2006-1, an ordinance amending rates within the wastewater works. Discussion was held on the need for a rate hike in answer to a question from the public. Requesting further input and hearing none, Vice-President Cartwright closed the public hearing.

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 23rd were approved as submitted.

Jack Trospen requested that two properties be investigated for presence of nuisances: 407 Jefferson Street, accumulation of debris in the yard and 110 College, junk cars. The matter will be referred to Acting Marshal Spitler and citation will be made upon his recommendation.

Glessner moved, seconded by Neff, adoption of Ordinance 2006-1, an ordinance amending rates within the wastewater works. The motion was approved unanimously.

Ordinance 2006-2, Hydrant Rental, remains tabled pending further amendment.

Ordinances 2006-3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, and 9, related to planning and zoning were summarized. Glessner moved, seconded by Neff to adopt all ordinances as submitted by the Department of Community Development (DCD). The motion was approved unanimously.

Summarized was information received from DNR and the Department of Community Development in regard to updating of the Town Flood Plain Ordinance. Reported was that Nat Schacht, Director of DCD, had updated and submitted the ordinance for approval and a DNR reply had indicated approval by the March 13th deadline.

Morrison and Day reported that a draft contract had not yet been received for continuation of electricity supply from AEP/I&M. As negotiation remains confidential between AEP and IMMUDA members, Council members received information packets to be reviewed.

Morrison submitted documentation from Starmark Insurance containing March 1st renewal rates showing an 8% increase overall. Following review and discussion, by consensus, Council accepted the renewal rates and continued insurance coverage with Starmark.

Morrison reported that the General Liability and Property Insurance renewal rate showed a \$4500 decrease. Total coverage cost is \$36,256. Council, by consensus, accepted renewal rates and continued coverage through Stewart Brimmer Insurance.

Discussion was held concerning replacement of two bullet proof vests for the Police Department. Council, by consensus, authorized Morrison and Spitler to take steps for a grant application through the Department of Justice for inclusion in the buy one, get one free program. Estimated cost of the item is \$700.

Morrison submitted the January Financial Report. Morrison also reported that office equipment had been inspected through maintenance agreements. A part in the 4550 Laser Printer had been replaced at the cost of \$423 including labor. All other equipment was reported to be in excellent to good condition.

Day reviewed the monthly activity report as submitted to Council. Following recommendation by Spectrum Engineering, Day submitted two quotes in the amount of \$3100 and \$3995 for purchase of a data recorder to check electricity voltage at a specific location. Also requested was purchase of a lap top computer to check reclosures and metering at the AEP power service point. Estimated cost for the computer would be approximately \$1000. Certain software would also be necessary. Following discussion, Neff moved, seconded by Glessner, to

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approve purchase of the data recorder at the cost of \$3100 and purchase of a lap top and software with purchase of all items not to exceed \$5000 without further approval. The motion was approved unanimously.

Acting Marshal Spitler reviewed the monthly activity report.

Cartwright noted that the Park Board would have its first meeting of 2006 on March 13th at 6:00 pm at Assembly Hall.

The next meeting of Council will be February 27th at 8:00 am.

Neff moved, seconded by Glessner, approval of Accounts Payable Vouchers as follows:

Electric	17-78	\$104,540.55
Water	15-77	\$ 40,177.89
Wastewater	15-62	\$149,301.04
Sanitation	2	\$ 3,274.18
General	20-91	\$113,832.58

The motion was approved unanimously.

Mr. and Mrs. Summers requested information regarding replacement of a sidewalk in front of a residence at 116 W. Fourth Street. A review of the Town Sidewalk Program was given. Also discussed was possible paving of an alley running from Matilda to Wayne Street parallel to Fourth. Following discussion, it was determined that planned improvement to the Huggy Bear Convenience Store would be an influence and paving of that particular alley might encourage more traffic which was not wanted. Town policy is to pave business alleys but not residential alleys.

There being no further business to come before Council, the meeting was adjourned.

Submitted _____ Clerk-
Marilyn Morrison Treasurer

Approved by Town Council:

As President
David Scheib(Absent)

As Member
Bill Cartwright

As Member
Ron Neff

As Member
Julia Glessner