

Minutes of Regular Meeting, March 27, 2006

The Town Council of the Town of Warren met Monday, March 27, 2006, at 8:00 a.m. for a Regular Council Meeting at 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, Bill Cartwright, Ron Neff and Julia Glessner, David Scheib (Absent); Clerk-Treasurer, Marilyn Morrison; Employees, Curt Day, Lee Poulson; Others; Warren Weekly Reporter, Herald Press Reporter and Carol Pugh, Executive Director of HCUED..

Vice-President Cartwright called the meeting to order at 8:00 am.

Minutes of the Special and Regular Meetings of March 13th and the Executive and Special Meetings of March 22 were approved as submitted.

Morrison and Day updated recent meetings related to contract negotiation with I&M/AEP for supply of electric power. General discussion was held on a March 22nd meeting with AEP held in the Council Meeting Room and the last two IMMMDA meetings. The next meeting of IMMMDA(Indiana and Michigan Municipal Distributors Association) will be held on April 6th in Mishawaka for further contract discussions.

Morrison reported that Mark Eckman had accepted an offer of \$15,000 for Town purchase of a property located at First and Main Street, more commonly know as Eckman's used car lot. Following further discussion, Glessner moved, seconded by Neff, final approval of purchase of property for the amount of \$15,000. The attorney will be contacted to complete necessary documents for the transfer of ownership.

Morrison submitted a written report on the March 20th and 23rd meetings of the Revitalization Committee. General discussion was held and a drawing of a proposed type of light pole was submitted. The next meeting of the Committee is Wednesday, April 19th at which time final decisions are expected to be made on poles and luminaries for submission to engineers for estimated cost prior to submission to Council.

Pulse Opera House representative have requested permission to block the parking area on Second Street adjacent to Assembly Hall on March 30th as performances will be presented for Salamonie School students. The area is need for loading/unloading of busses. Council concurred with the request.

Morrison reported that the firewall for the computer system had been replaced.

Day reported on projects/maintenance underway. The schedule for limb/brush pick-up will be Fridays and Mondays starting April 3rd. A quote for \$12,500 on a used 1995 one ton dump truck was submitted. Also submitted were quotes on a 2006 truck ranging from \$23,000-29,000. Following discussion and by consensus, Council determined it would be more feasible to purchase a current model truck and directed day to prepare specifications for bidding. Day was also directed to check on State of Indiana bids. Day reported that one quote had been received for interior waxing of the Tower Park Water Storage Unit at \$5,850. Two more quotes are expected. Lee Poulson will be attending a wastewater workshop in Ossian on April 11th. The course will complete hours necessary for licensing until 2007.

Poulson submitted a cost estimate of \$25,000 for purchase and outfitting of a chassis to be used for a water tanker by the Warren/Salamonie Township Fire Department. The truck is being sold by Hy-Line International. As the item is not included in the 2006 General Fund budget, the purchase would have to be made through the Cumulative Fire Fund budget. The purchase has been approved by Salamonie Township officials. Following discussion, Neff moved, seconded by Cartwright, approval of the purchase. The motion was approved unanimously. In other Fire Department business, Cartwright asked that purchase orders be used as per policy.

General discussion was held.

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

Submitted _____ Clerk-
Marilyn Morrison Treasurer

Town Council, Town of Warren:

_____ as President _____ as Member
David Scheib (Absent) Bill Cartwright

_____ as Member _____ as Member
Ron Neff Julia Glessner