

Minutes of Regular Meeting, Monday, April 26, 2004

The Town Council of the Town of Warren met Monday, April 26, 2004 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, David Scheib, Harold Jones, Bill Cartwright, and Ron Neff; Clerk-Treasurer, Marilyn Morrison; Employees, Larry Poulson, Darrel Bice, and Steve Donnelly; Others, Warren Weekly Reporter, Tim Ford, Carol Pugh of HCUED and others.

President Jones called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m..

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of April 12th were approved as submitted.

Following discussion and review of Attorney recommendation on bids as submitted, Jones moved, seconded by Neff to award the Sanitation Contract to Pathfinders Services at the cost of \$6.37 per unit. Other bidders were Wabash Valley at \$8.30 per unit and D&T Trucking at \$7.25 per unit. The motion was approved unanimously. Beginning date of the contract is May 1, 2004.

Bill Cartwright reported that INDOT would be upgrading fifty four handicap ramps with the work to be completed prior to the May 15th Arts Festival. INDOT paving project is scheduled to start the week of May 17th and is to be completed before the Salamonie Summer Festival.

Reviewed was information from Schnelker Engineering regarding the completion of the wastewater upgrade projects with quotes to be received by the Engineer on April 28th.

Bids for the Town paving project will be accepted at a Special Meeting scheduled for Thursday, May 6th at 4:00 p.m.. The engineer will also be present. Bids are scheduled to be awarded at the May 10th Regular Meeting of Town Council. Following review, Cartwright moved, seconded by Scheib, approval of a General Engineering Contract with Schnelker Engineering for the paving project. The motion was approved unanimously. Neff moved, seconded by Scheib, issuance of notice to proceed to Schnelker Engineering. The motion was approved unanimously.

Replacement trees required due to the wastewater and electric projects are expected to be available by May 18th.

The family of Jackie Huffman has scheduled a ceremony for May 30th at 11:30 a.m. at Tower Park to honor her long time dedication to the Town of Warren. Council members are invited to attend. The Park Board will be finishing the Huffman Memorial Garden prior to that date.

A resignation letter from Darrel Bice was read. President Jones and members of the Council made comments of appreciation for his work as Utilities Manager and wished him well in his career change.

Reservations must be in to the Clerk-Treasurer by May 3rd if wishing to attend the IACT Roundtable being held in Millersburg on May 6th.

Representatives of Huntington Home School Eagles Athletic Program were in attendance in regard to a concession contract for Tower Park. One request was that the official name to be included in the contract was Eagles Athletic Program and that consideration be given to changing calculation of percentage to be paid for Tower Park maintenance as included in the contract. Following discussion, Cartwright moved, seconded by Scheib, that maintenance be set at \$300 as based on past annual payments from concession operator Sigma Phi. The motion was approved unanimously.

Morrison reported that due to problems in installation of the utility software program by Keystone Consulting, the Town's hardware consultant had to be called on site to repair and replace operating systems. The software installation has been rescheduled for April 29th. A sewer credit in the amount of \$106.37 was granted by consensus as well as an electric credit in the amount of \$1866.29 due to a faulty demand meter. A sewer credit was denied for lack of

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the utility department's ability to verify that the water had not entered the sewer system. Morrison reported that the 1782 form for the 2003 budget had been received with no reduction needed.

Bice reported that work continued on the Tower Park projects. Also reported was that the 1985 electric utility truck was in need of repairs. By consensus, Council directed to get quotes but not pay more than \$300 for repairs.

Marshal Donnelly reported that Alan Foster had resigned as part-time Deputy due to increasing demands on his time as Huntington Canine Officer and that Ronnie Boxell had been hired to fill the vacancy. Boxell, a full-time County Officer and a resident of the Town, will be able to provide ten hours a week as approved for each part-time officer.

General discussion was held.

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

Submitted _____ Clerk-Treasurer
Marilyn Morrison

Approved by Town Council:

_____ As President
Harold Jones

_____ As Member
Bill Cartwright

_____ As Member
Ron Neff

_____ As Member
David Scheib