

Minutes of Regular Meeting, October 24, 2005

The Town Council of the Town of Warren met Monday, October 24, 2005, for a Regular 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, Ron Neff, Julia Glessner, David Scheib, and Bill Cartwright; Clerk-Treasurer, Marilyn Morrison; Employees, Steve Donnelly and Curt Day; Others, Herald Press Reporter, Warren Weekly Reporter.

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

A public hearing for Ordinance 2005-22, rezoning, was rescheduled for November 14th at 6:35 p.m.

Reviewed and discussed were 2005 wage/benefit ordinances and other documents related to 2006 wages/benefits. Following discussion, by consensus, it was determined that Ordinances be prepared setting increases at .25 per hour for summer and police part-time employees, .62 per hour (1289.60 per year) for full time employees and utility clerk, .82 per hour (1705.60 per year) for Utility Manager, and a bi-annual amount of \$3,000 for the Clerk-Treasurer. No other amendments were discussed.

Morrison reported that a representative of the United Methodist Memorial Home had requested that Council consider a contract for street sweeping of the Dogwood Villa addition at least two times annually. Recommendation was that the annual contract be in the amount of \$450, identical to the amount paid by the State for sweeping of the State Highways. Council concurred and directed that a contract be prepared. Also discussed and approved by consensus was that \$100 be set as an amount for the remainder of 2005 as sweeping will be more intense until the area is cleaned the first time. All information will be relayed to the UMM Home representative.

Cartwright moved, seconded by Neff, to adopt an Emergency Plan as updated. The motion was approved unanimously.

An administrative meeting was set for November 14th at 5:00 p.m. to begin review of current Town policies and procedures. The meeting will precede the Regular Meeting of Council.

Approved by consent was a Proclamation setting the last week of October as Lead Poisoning Prevention Week.

Cartwright and Morrison reported on a WHARMM meeting in Markle on October 17th. Main discussion topic was the status of property taxes in Indiana. Morrison reported on a District Clerk-Treasurer's Meeting held in Middlebury on October 20th conducted by the State Board of Accounts and Department of Local Government Finance.

Morrison reported that the 2006 Municipal Budget had been approved by the field representative for submittal to the Department of Local Government Finance for final approval. A report on that state action will be received by February 28th of 2006. Reviewed was information contained in the newsletter to be included with the November 1st billing mailing.

Utility Manager Day reported that milling (paving) was scheduled to begin on October 26th, weather permitting. Leaf pickup will begin on a regular basis, Mondays and Fridays and as needed. One hundred eighty nine tons of sludge had been land applied with 12.2 hours rental time for a tractor. Day reported that a resident on College Street had requested that one side of a shed be resided as a result of damage during the sewer upgrade project. Council concurred at a not to exceed cost of \$250.

Marshal Donnelly submitted a monthly activity report. Reported was that Roanoke had withdrawn an offer of \$3000 for the police cruiser.

General discussion was held.

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

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Submitted by _____ Clerk-
Marilyn Morrison Treasurer

Approved by Town Council:

_____ as President _____ as Member
David Scheib Bill Cartwright

_____ as Member _____ as Member
Ron Neff Julia Glessner