

The Town Council of the Town of Warren met Monday, May 13, 2002, for a Regular Council Meeting in the meeting room of the Town Hall Annex, 131 N. Wayne Street, in accordance with the rules of this Town Council and applicable law.

Those present were: Council Members, Chod Boxell, Ron Neff, Jacqueline Huffman and Harold Jones; Clerk-Treasurer, Marilyn Morrison; Employees, Larry Poulson, Darrel Bice, and Dennis Spitler; Others, Warren Weekly Reporter, Jeff McCoy, Larry Poling, Dave Scheib, and Tim Ford.

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

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of April 28 and the Executive Meeting of May 2 were approved a submitted.

Jeff McCoy, representing local scouting programs, reported on activities and requested Council response to initial plans for the local units hosting a fall jamboree which would attract over 125 scouts and leaders. It would be necessary to use parking area around the utility garages. Discussion centered on the possibility that the upcoming wastewater project might result in that land being unavailable. Other possibilities would be use of Tower Park and/or Knight Civic Center grounds. President Jones noted that more information about the wastewater project should be available by the first meeting in July at which time the matter would be addressed. McCoy also reported that planning should begin for replacing the roof on the Scout Cabin.

David Scheib, Park Board President, updated on projects underway in Tower Park. Requested was that Council consider purchase of an additional set of four row, twenty eight feet aluminum bleachers from Service Supply LTD. Huffman moved, seconded by Boxell, to purchase bleachers, as purchased in 2001, not to exceed \$2500. The motion was approved unanimously. June 10th will be the next meeting of the Park Board.

A written report submitted by Ben Adams, Schnelker Engineering, related to recent televising of certain sections of the wastewater system, was reviewed. The report will be used to supplement the proposed wastewater project. A project meeting had been held on May 13th with Neff reporting that the project was on line to being bid in June. Attending, other than town officials, were Ben Adams of Schnelker's, and Bob Deal of US Rural Development. The next project meeting has been scheduled for June 24th at 9:00 a.m.. On advice from Attorney Bendall, steps were taken to determine Common Construction Wage as outlined by Indiana Statute. By consensus, Council appointed Ron Neff and Darrel Bice with David Scheib being recommended to the Huntington County Commissioners as their appointment. Attorney Hartburg will be notified of the appointments.

Bice reported that repairs to the water treatment plant have not been completed. The de-humidifier needs additional repair and landscaping will be completed when weather permits.

Following discussion of an electrical engineering proposal as submitted by Spectrum Engineering, by consensus, Council directed that a representative of Spectrum be scheduled to attend a regular meeting to further detail the proposal.

Following discussion, President Jones moved, seconded by Neff, that water and wastewater taps be waived for a proposed villaminium/golf course development by the UMM Home as part of an annexation agreement with all other charges and fees applicable and due the Town of Warren remaining in place. The motion was carried unanimously.

Bice reported that two warning sirens have not yet been installed. President Jones reminded Bice that the sirens were to have been installed by the end of April and stated that it would be expected that the project would be completed as soon as possible.

Following discussion of purchase of patriotic banners and information from Huffman in regard to information from two companies related to that purchase, Boxell moved, seconded by Neff, that sixty patriotic banners with 'Warren' printed on each, as selected, be purchased from General Plastics of Marion at the cost of \$85 each. The motion was approved unanimously. Morrison is to proceed with placing the order.

In discussion of paving projects, by consensus, the paving of Grover Street was extended from Fifth to Jones Avenue. Legal Notice is to be placed as cost of the project including Grover and Tower Park cannot be reasonably determined and could run over limits needed for advertisement. In addition, letters announcing the project are to be forwarded to companies that bid on the 2001 project.

Introduced was Ordinance 2002-02, an ordinance amending pay for Seasonal Employee I, Ordinance 2001-15. Jones moved, seconded by Huffman, to suspend rules to allow consideration of adoption of an ordinance at the same meeting as introduced. The motion was carried unanimously. Huffman moved, seconded by Neff, adoption of Ordinance 2002-02. The motion was approved unanimously.

Following discussion, Jones moved, seconded by Huffman, to approve continuation of a copier maintenance agreement with Allen Business Machine of Fort Wayne at minimum \$30 per month. The motion was approved unanimously.

Following discussion, by consensus, it was determined that one registration to the Indiana Association of Cities and Towns Foundation "Indiana Downtown" workshop to be held in Nashville on June 4th and 5th in the amount of \$150 would be approved. Brady Smekens, Chairman of the local "Our Town" committee will represent the Town.

Following discussion of a request from the Warren Volunteer Fire Department that a Council liaison to that group's executive board be named, Boxell moved, seconded by Huffman, that Neff fill the position. The motion was approved unanimously.

Morrison reported that a May 2 meeting with Greg Guerrettaz, Financial Solutions Group, had focused on information for the proposed business plan, preparing financial information for the wastewater project, updating I-69 financial matters, and reviewing bond issues and possible pay-off the outstanding wastewater bond issue. A staff person from FSG had spent an additional day on data collection.

Neff reported on activities of the Huntington County Solid Waste District. Blue recycling tubs are not yet available. By consensus, Council requested that a letter be forwarded to the Executive Director of the HCSWD as to the schedule of the delivery and switch to the 'blue tub' method of recycling.

Morrison submitted the April financial reports and reported that the May CEDIT distribution had been received in the amount of \$30,139.50. Scheduled for May 16 at the Huntington County Courthouse from 1:00-4:00 p.m. is the first budget meeting with the Board of Local Government Finance for the 2003 budget.

Bice gave a general report concerning projects currently underway.

Fire Chief Ford reported on Fire Department activities.

Assistant Marshal Spitler presented a request from Marshal Donnelly stating that Chavez should be removed as a Reserve Officer due to non-availability and that Tara Donnelly, currently a reserve with the Allen County Sheriff's Department, be authorized to serve as a Town Marshal Reserve Officer. Jones moved, seconded by Huffman, to approve the request. The motion was approved unanimously.

Announcements were as follows:

- May 28 Rescheduled Regular Meeting of Council
- May 14 HCUED, 7:00 a.m.
- WALDC, Noon, Annex
- Our Town", 7:00 p.m., Annex
- May 27 Memorial Day Holiday

Neff moved, seconded by Boxell, approval of Accounts Payable Registers as follows:

Electric	157-182	\$68,850.53
Water	145-194	\$18,274.21
Wastewater	109-149	\$21,417.33
Sanitation	8-11	\$ 3,980.98
General	186-249	\$56,010.69

The motion was approved unanimously.

General discussion was held.

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

By _____ Clerk-
Marilyn Morrison Treasurer

Approved by Town Council:

As _____ President As _____ Member
Harold Jones Jaqueline Huffman

As _____ Member As _____ Member
Ron Neff Chod Boxell