

Minutes of Regular Meeting, May 28, 2002

The Town Council of the Town of Warren met Monday, May 28, 2002 for a Regular Council Meeting in the Town Hall meeting room, 131 N. Wayne Street, in accordance with the rules of this Town Council and applicable law.

Those present were: Council Members, Harold Jones, Jacqueline Huffman, Chod Boxell and Ron Neff; Employees, Janet Richison, Larry Poulson, Darrel Bice, Dennis Spitler; Others, Warren Weekly Reporter, Huntington Herald Press Reporter.

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

Minutes of the May 13 Regular Meeting were approved as submitted.

President Jones reported that a Common Construction Wage Committee, pursuant to the proposed wastewater treatment project, would be meeting on June 10th at 9:00 a.m. in the Annex. Along with town officials Bice and Neff, meeting would be a municipal attorney, a labor union representative, a representative appointed by Huntington County Commissioners and a representative of the Governor's Office. Also in regard to the proposed project, IDEM permit approval has been received for the wastewater plant portion. All other permits, excluding INDOT, are in place.

Bice reported that completion of work on the Water Treatment Plant would be completed when weather permits. Retainage has been held on the project until completion.

No other proposals for electric engineering have been solicited by Bice. Council delayed any action on the proposal from Spectrum Engineering pending receipt of further information.

By consensus of Council, Morrison was directed to prepare a request for waiver from the IDEM imposed sewer moratorium at the request of the United Methodist Memorial Home for building of villa units.

Bice reported that two of the three additional warning sirens have been installed, Main at Jones and Langton Estates. Testing will be done in June.

Patriotic banners as selected by Council have been ordered and are expected to be received prior to Flag Day, June 14th. Once mounted, the banners are to be left in place until after the Salamonie Summer Festival.

Bice reported that the management plan necessary for IDEM approval of the WellHead Protection Plan has been filed. No response has been received. WellHead Protection Area signs have been in place since initial approval.

Morrison, as requested by Council, had submitted letters to all paving contractors who had filed bids in 2001. Legal notice has also been published as required for the paving project. Bice reported that the walkway at Tower Park would need some additional work before paving.

President Jones scheduled an Executive Session of Council for June 3, 6:30 p.m., in the Annex for discussion of strategy related to acquisition of land.

Employees of EMC, management planners, had spent one day on site collecting information and reviewing reports. A final report is to be expected in early July.

Following discussion, Jones moved, seconded by Neff, to approve renewal of membership in the CSO Partnership (Combined Sewer Overflow) in the amount of \$400. The motion was approved unanimously.

Ordinance 2002-3, an ordinance establishing speed limit of 20 MPH on Nancy Street from First to Third Streets and on Grover Street from Third to Adams, was introduced.

A request for use of the annex by Pulse Opera House was discussed with approval granted by consensus.

Morrison reported that the next budget meeting was scheduled for July 22nd with the Board of Local Government Finance. The 2003 municipal budget is to be completed by that time.

Bice gave a project update. Also reported by Bice was that Poulson and Bice had been contacted by the UMM Home in regard to electric service to the development area. Planning is being completed. General discussion was held in regard to truck damage at properties at Main and First. Bice is to assess the situation to evaluate possible actions to alleviate the damage.

Reported from the Park Department was that landscaping at the sign, flag pole, and trees had been completed. Flowers have been placed on the Memorial and in hangers on the electrical service poles. Preparations are underway for installation of the section of bleachers to be delivered within the next two weeks.

Announcements were as follows:

June 10, 24 Council Meetings

June 7 Common Construction Wage Meeting, Annex, 9:00 p.m.

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

Submitted _____ Clerk-
Marilyn Morrison Treasurer

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Approved by Town Council:

As _____ President
Harold Jones

As _____ Member
Jacqueline Huffman

As _____ Member
Ron Neff

As _____ Member
Chod Boxell