

Minutes of Regular Meeting, July 10, 2002

The Town Council of the Town of Warren met Monday, July 10, 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, Jacqueline Huffman, Chod Boxell, Ron Neff and Harold Jones; Employees, Dennis Spitler and Darrel Bice, Others, Warren Weekly Reporter, Herald Press Reporter, Jeff McCoy, Pat Riley, and David Scheib.

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

President Jones reported that work was continuing with Rural Development of USDA and Schnelker Engineering related to the proposed wastewater project. Morrison submitted copy of the advertisement for bid as has been published.

Bice reported that all work at the Water Treatment Plant had not been completed. Council, by consensus, directed that enough time had been given and requested that Bice detail what the problem has been and why it had not been resolved. Following discussion, Council concurred that the next step would be to file a report with the Engineer citing that no further payment of retainage held would be forwarded to Brudney Construction. Morrison is to notify National City Indianapolis also.

A notification was read by President Jones in which Spectrum Engineering stated that a report would be available for the July 22 Regular Meeting of Council and that additional onsite inspection had been completed.

Morrison reported that a meeting with EMC had been delayed as company officials were on vacation. Randy Voight, project manager, stated that it would possibly be August before the proposal was presented.

Ordinance 2002-4, Records Request, as introduced in the meeting of June 10, was submitted for consideration of adoption. Following discussion, Jones moved, seconded by Huffman, to adopt Ordinance 2002-4. The motion was approved unanimously.

Introduced were Ordinances 2002-5,6,7,8,9,10 as submitted by the Warren Area Plan Commission. All relate to planning and zoning changes within the jurisdictional area of the Town and all require Council approval. Council requested that Morrison present the Ordinances by Title and Summary only. Although summaries of the ordinances had been submitted prior and had been an agenda item at the June 10<sup>th</sup> Regular Meeting of Council, President Jones requested that Council take the Ordinances as introduction only citing need to study the proposed ordinances further. Council concurred. The ordinances are to be placed as an agenda item for the next Regular Meeting of Council.

President Jones reminded that Warren will be hosting the quarterly meeting of W.H.A.R.M.M. (Warren, Huntington, Andrews, Roanoke, Markle, Mt Etna) on Monday, July 15<sup>th</sup> at the Knight Civic Center. Approximately forty people are expected to attend including municipal officials, county officials, and state officials.

Morrison reported that the proposed revisions to the Personnel Handbook had been submitted to Attorney DeLaney. It is expected that the revisions will be submitted to Council in August as it is a county wide project and all communities will receive proposed updates simultaneously.

President Jones summarized a letter from 3A Development District requesting appointment of a representative to a Transportation Board being established in conjunction with INDOT. By consensus, Bice was appointed to represent the Town.

June financial reports were discussed as had been submitted in writing prior to the meeting by the Clerk-Treasurer. Morrison reported that the next meeting with the Board of Local Government Finance, formerly Tax Commissioners, had been scheduled for Monday, July 22<sup>nd</sup> at 9:15 at the Huntington County Courthouse. Also reported was that State Board of Accounts is currently conducting its regular audit of town records.

Council, by consensus, approved purchase of four tires at the cost of \$89 each for the backhoe. Discussed in general was replacement of the Electric Utility Pole Truck.

Assistant Marshal Spitler and Morrison provided information related to submission of a proposal through the Town Marshal's office for awarding of a diffriator through the Indiana State Police. Council had previously approved the submission.

Pat Riley and Jeff McCoy, local Scouting leaders, addressed the need to use Town property for a planned Jamboree on October 10-13 for over 200 scouts. The original request had been tabled by Council as plans for the wastewater project could have interfered. Following discussion in which it was ascertained that the project would not interfere, Council, by consensus, granted use of the area as requesting stating that a certificate of Proof of Insurance would need to be filed at least ten days prior to the event. Further discusses was recent vandalism at the Scout Cabin which resulted in breaking of a window. Bice is to determine whether to replace or close the window. In discussion about the flowing well located on the Scout Cabin property, it was determined by Council that Bice should proceed with testing of the water as it is a public access point.

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David Scheib, President of the Advisory Park Board, updated park projects reporting that signs had been placed on ball diamonds, the painting of the concession stand has been completed, and the new bleachers are installed although the utility department needs to complete the anchoring of the unit. In addition, Scheib reported that locking of the restrooms at night has seemed to result in less vandalism. In future projects, Scheib reported that the Board would like to see replacement of the drinking fountain, consideration of replacement or major repair of the last set of bleachers, and the moving of dugouts at Stucky Field. President Jones and Council Members requested that Scheib continue to develop a list of quotes for the various projects and requested that Bice make sure projects are completed.

Huffman submitted registration to attend the IACT Conference in Indianapolis in September. Morrison will be attending but all expenses will be covered by IACT. Any other Council person wanting to attend should notify Morrison by the end of July.

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

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| General    | 317-361 | \$38,686.81 |
| Electric   | 237-259 | \$71,073.02 |
| Water      | 231-273 | \$15,263.67 |
| Wastewater | 182-220 | \$17,562.56 |
| Sanitation | 13      | \$3,174.00  |

The motion was approved unanimously.

General discussion was held.

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

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Marilyn Morrison Clerk-  
Treasurer

Approved by Town Council:

By \_\_\_\_\_ President  
Harold Jones

By \_\_\_\_\_ Member  
Jacqueline Huffman

By \_\_\_\_\_ Member  
Ron Neff

By \_\_\_\_\_ Member  
Chod Boxell